

St. Andrew's News

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Welcome to the worship of God this morning, and to our shared life in this church. It is a pleasure to have you with us today. Seat cushions are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please ask a greeter for help. We invite guests to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

Week of Mar 14 - 20, 2016

- Mon** Fun & Fitness 9:30 a.m.
- Tues** Seekers Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Wed** Fun & Fitness 9:30 a.m.
Mid Week Lenten Service 12:05 noon
- Thurs** Lenten Prayers in the Chapel 3:30 p.m.
- Sun** Blood Pressure Clinic After Service

Game Night & Potluck Dinner

It's not too late to join us!

You are invited to a Congregational Game Night & Potluck Dinner, TODAY from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m.

Invite friends and... bring games to share.



DINNER AUCTION APRIL 7TH

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Dinner Auction on April 7th, 6:30 p.m., at the Columbus Centre (corner of May & Arthur Streets) in support of the Restoration Committee and ongoing efforts to renovate and repair St. Andrew's. This very popular evening of fellowship and good fun will consist of a Live Auction let by auctioneer Peter Kantola, and a Silent Auction let by Jan Sewell. Tickets are \$28 for adults and \$10 for Children under 12. We ask for your support by purchasing tickets for this night of great food and entertainment *PLUS* we ask that you consider donating a prize for auction (examples include: art, antiques, service items, restaurant/hotel gift certificates, new tools/tackle/sporting goods/entertainment items, etc). *Gluten free* meals are available for the event; send your request to John by March 30th. Contact John Mason at 620-3836 to buy tickets (feel free to invite neighbors and friends) and donate a prize. **Thank you!**

Sensing the Gospel:

A Mid-Week Lenten Series...

that explores the story of Jesus through the senses. Each service runs Wednesday 12:05 – 12:25 in the 5th Floor Chapel of St. Andrew's and is followed by a light lunch of soup and bread for those who can stay for fellowship. The last Service date is: March 16th.



PRAYER INVITATIONS

As Christians, we have been Called to pray for each other in all circumstances. To help with this, we simply move through the church membership list. Today we ask that you hold the persons listed in your prayers:

Heather, Sandy, Jessie, Marlys & Tanner Niskanen; Michael, Janet, Liam & Sean O'Connor; Patricia O'Niell; Derek Oger; Bradley Olsen; Donald & Elsie Oram; John & Alison Paddington; Kristy, Derek, Hudson, Linden & Nolan Papineau; Marilyn Pasztor; Ingrid Paterson; Robert, Sharon, Allan, David, John & Stephen Paterson.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES



Palm Sunday Worship

at 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship

with Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service

at 11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Worship

with Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m.



From Rev. Joyce



So the last installment on church polity is about General Assembly (GA). This assembly of Presbyterians from across Canada meets once a year on the first full weekend in June. It is here that many reports are presented, decisions are made, debates happen, and of course worship happens too! Representation to the assembly comes from the Presbyteries. All Presbyteries send delegates to GA. The number of people who attend from each Presbytery is determined by the size of the Presbytery, or in other words, how many churches are in each Presbytery. In the case of the Presbytery of Superior we send one minister and one elder. A rotation has been established so that each church has the opportunity to send a minister and an elder to GA at some point in the rotation.

General Assembly can be quite the experience as one takes in the fact that, though we are a small denomination in Canada and on the world stage, there are a significant number of people being represented. Being in a large university gymnasium, meeting others from B.C. to Newfoundland who are there because of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, listening to the stories of our church, making decisions on behalf of the church, as well as deciding which conversations are bigger than that moment and must be sent to the congregations/sessions for study and report, it is all rather amazing. We are part of a larger picture than just our building and congregation. We are part of the body of Christ called the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Together with all Christians we witness, work, and worship. Thanks be to God.

SACRED MUSIC FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Thunder Bay Community Choir - Directed by Mary McGhee. Joy Fahrenbruck and Marcella Smithers, Accompanists and special guest musicians.

Trinity United Church, 30 South Algoma Street.
Friday, March 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.



Freewill offering accepted in support of Habitat for Humanity Thunder Bay.

PRESBYTERIANS SHARING

Stay related to us; keep us in your prayers



A small light in a dark place

Presbyterians Sharing supports Joel & Rebecca Sherbino as they serve in Malawi with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Blantyre Synod. Joel is Associate Pastor at the Ndirande Kachere CCAP church and Associate Prison Chaplain for Blantyre Synod. Rebecca works with PWS&D partners, assisting project staff with reporting and proposal development. She has been helping with the PWS&D-supported Tidzalerana Club which reaches out to some of the most vulnerable members of the community – those with disabilities. Over 100 men, women and children of all ages gather together once a week to hear a Bible teaching, sing, play games and do crafts together, support one another, and to eat a nourishing snack. Rebecca shares, “I can’t address all of their needs for food, medicine and support. But I can be a small light in a dark place. And really, that’s all that God asks us to be.”

Presbyterians Sharing supports international mission staff

EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Flowers provide a wonderful opportunity to remember friends and family. Did you know that your contributions will help to provide flowers throughout the year?!

Please contact Kaitlin in the main office with Your contribution and the names of those you wish to remember.



Chapel Prayers

On Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. our Chapel doors are open for prayers, drop-ins welcome.



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Church Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.