

St. Andrew's News

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
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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 Apr 18 - 24, 2016

Mon Fun & Fitness 9:30 a.m.
Wed Fun & Fitness 9:30 a.m.
Worship Committee Meeting 2:30 p.m.



PANCAKE BRUNCH

TODAY after the service, the IOOF will host a pancake brunch. All are welcome. The cost is \$7 per adult; & kids under 12 are free.

ANNUAL CHURCH FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE...

will be held on: Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It is time to set aside items to the flea market and donations should be brought to the church



BAKE SALE



during the week before the sale, books can be brought anytime. We are also looking for helpers for the flea market both for set up on Friday and for Selling on Saturday. Contact Marian Childs at 577-1324 if interested in helping in any way.

THE BOOK OF ACTS - The church's story begins...



For those who like to read ahead, sermons in the coming weeks will Focus on the following scriptures:

- *April 17 Acts 9:36-43; Peter in Lydda and Joppa
- *April 24 Guest Worship Leader – Will Newton
- *May 1 Acts 16:9-15; Paul's vision of the man of Macedonia/The conversion of Lydia

MEN'S ANNUAL SPRING TEA

Lakeview Presbyterian Church, 278 Camelot St. will be hosting their Men's Annual Spring Tea on Saturday, April 23rd from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at the door or by calling the church office at 345-8823.

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:

Karyn Sundell & Faith Prosyk; Earl & Joan Sutton; Kathryn Sutton; Margaret Terkelsen; Kathryn & Arthur Towell; Mary Ann, Bill Julia & Katie Tuomi; Wade Turgeon; Kathy, Darcy; Ashley, Brendon & Jessica Tymchsyhyn; Laura, Donald, Billy & Harmony Vanasse; Joseph Vancook; Joyce Ventrudo; Terry & Robert Wainwright; and Margaret Walker.

CONGREGATIONAL DISCUSSION

There is a discussion happening in the broader context of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (PCC) regarding human sexuality, leadership in the church and marriage, this is an important conversation. As for our congregation, there will be opportunity Thursday, May 5th at 7:00 pm in Grant Hall to participate in the discussion. If you plan to attend please also plan to do the work of viewing videos and/or reading the Body, Mind and Soul study guide. We want to have an informed discussion and it would be good if everyone came in with some of the background. Below is a list of websites that can be accessed for information. These links will also be provided on the church's website.

The following link will take you to a number of documents of the PCC
<http://presbyterian.ca/sexuality/#open-for-information-about-overtures-and-feedback>

The following link is provided by the Presbytery of Hamilton. Both videos or transcripts of the videos are available.

<http://www.presbykirk.com/humansexuality.html>

The following link will take you to an independent webpage: *Presbyterians Standing for Apostolic Love and Truth.* www.psalt.info



From Rev. Joyce:



As many of you are aware St. Andrew's and First-Wesley United Church have signed a Memorandum of Agreement regarding sharing summer worship. I have had a number of questions about this, so I present the following summary.

The Session of St. Andrew's approached the Board of First Wesley to see if they would like to partner for summer worship services with one church taking the services in July and the other in August. There is a history from years back, in which this happened each summer, and after having First Wesley with us last August there was renewed interest in experiencing this partnership again.

So after discussion and planning, it has been agreed that for the month of July worship services will be held jointly at First-Wesley with our congregation heading over there. St. Andrew's will not hold services in July at our church. In August it will flip and we will host the joint worship services here at St. Andrew's with First-Wesley's congregation coming here for worship. Rev. Hewitt and I will both be leading worship services throughout the summer and in each congregation. We were given the prerogative to choose how we will accomplish this. As St. Andrew's has always changed our summer worship time, in mid June we will do the same, with the time for worship being 10:30 a.m.

It is the prayer of Session and myself along with the Board of First-Wesley and Hewitt that this be a time of wonderful ecumenical partnership and Christian fellowship. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or any elder. If you want to see the actual agreement, it is hanging in the Heritage Hallway just outside the front office.

The Shack By William Young

NY Time #1 Bestseller: for 52 consecutive weeks, 172 weeks running. Over 20 million copies sold, translated into 40+ different languages & now a movie with a release date of November 18th, 2016. If you want to read the book and enjoy a conversation about *The Shack*, then plan to buy it or get it from the Library. There will be an evening of desert and conversation 7:00 pm Friday, May 13th at Rev. Joyce's house. If you are planning to participate email or call Joyce.



PRESBYTERIANS SHARING

Stay related to us; keep us in your prayers



April 22 is Earth Day

On his farm in the western highlands of Guatemala, Juan Ramirez Cardon was very reliant on the use of chemicals and costly fertilizers to grow enough food to provide for his family. But the expense soon became more than he could bear. Juan worried about how he could continue feeding his family. All that has changed now because of a Presbyterian World Service & Development program helping farmers in the region increase their yields while preserving the soil. Juan learned about seed selection and diversifying crops—methods that are yielding significant results and diminishing the need for fertilizers. He is sharing his knowledge of soil-healthy farming so more people can grow a variety of food for their families for many years to come.

PWS&D helps farmers care for creation

DINNER AUCTION

Dinner Auction raised \$6,865.11 for Restoration.

A big thank you to the Dinner Auction Committee and all those who generously participated and donated to make the April 7th event a huge success!



Thank You

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

TODAY
following the service!



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Church Office Hours

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