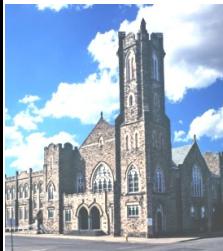




# St. Andrew's News

Website: [www.standrewspres-tbaytel.ca](http://www.standrewspres-tbaytel.ca)



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.

## THANK YOU FROM FIRST WESLEY

The members of First Wesley United would like to thank everyone at St. Andrew's for welcoming us so warmly into your church family during the month of August. It has been a pleasure to worship with you this summer and we hope this joint worship will continue for many years to come. Once again, thank you so very much.



## 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:

**Stanley, Lea & Keith Madge; Duncan & Beverly Malcolm; Nonie Marsh; Marjorie Marshall; Kathy Marsland; Susan, Robert & Matthew Marsonet; Alice Martinsen; June Martinsen; Edith Mason.**



## LATE START for Lunch with a Difference

The fall season of *Lunch with a Difference* will begin on **October 12th** at noon in Rowand Hall (downstairs). All Seniors who usually eat alone are welcome to attend. A minimum donation of \$5.00 is requested. During October and November, we will also be supporting the Alzheimer Society of Thunder Bay Coffee Break. Bring an extra loonie or twoonie if you wish to support this event.



## SUMMER SERVICE TIMES

**August** First-Wesley Worships with us.10:30 am  
**Sept 11** Return to regular service time..11:00 am

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

'Stewardship' has become associated with little more than church management and finances. 'Stewardship' itself should represent the summing up of a Christian life." *Douglas John Hall( 1928 – ), theologian and author*



## CHURCH CHOIR

The church choir returns September 11th. Practice is at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Everyone welcome! No experience needed. More information? Call Nancy @ 623-4907.

## ST JOSEPH'S NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers are needed to add to the enrichment of senior's lives. There are openings for: people who like to sing for hymn sings & gospel sings, 1:1 visits, to lead or assist in Bible study and for portering residents to their many services. Training is available. Please contact Rev. Jim Pedwell @ 625-1112 or at [pedwellj@tbh.net](mailto:pedwellj@tbh.net)

## PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

Community health in India



Presbyterians Sharing supports Michelle Verwey, a Community Health Advisor serving alongside our Church of North India partners in central India. Michelle continues ministry started by Presbyterian missionaries in the early 1900s. Michelle and a committee made up of retired nurses, community leaders and others – including some local members of the church, are working together to plan and implement community health projects in the Vindhya-Satpura region. Michelle provides technical advice, encouragement and support as they decide on projects that will make a difference in the community. The work has only just begun, but part of the long-term vision for the Mendha project is to help children finish school and provide adult education in reading, writing and basic mathematics.

*Presbyterians Sharing supports mission staff*

## Children in Worship

Worship at St. Andrew's is intergenerational. Of course, among those generations, there are children. On any given Sunday, there can be sounds of laughter, crying, and fidgeting from children in worship at St. Andrew's and for these children (and their parents!), we give thanks!

Whether you bring children with you to worship, or you find yourself sitting near children, we hope you will give this a read.

### Parents of Young Children

We are so glad that you are here, and that you brought your children with you! Thank you! A few suggestions for your worship experience:

- ★ Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
- ★ It can be helpful to sit toward the front where it is easier for children to see and hear.
- ★ Sing hymns loudly, pray, and voice the responses with enthusiasm. Children learn behavior by copying you. If you are excited about God, they will be too!
- ★ There is a time with the minister during each service. After this time there are some activities and books available for the children on the mat along the south wall. Parents and care givers are encouraged to sit close to the children to aid in their activities and be handy should an emergency arise.
- ★ Teach children the Lord's Prayer; being able to join in with the prayers helps children feel they are contributing too. Using whispers, it can also be helpful to explain to your child what is happening during the service.
- ★ Attend worship often, children like and need routines where they can participate.
- ★ Teach children worship etiquette.
- ★ The nursery is on the fourth floor just through the metal side doors and up the stairs or elevator if your child needs an out. Please do not allow your child to wander through the sanctuary or church unattended. Their safety is of utmost importance to us.

**To those sitting near worshiping parents & children:**  
A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children!



Jesus welcomed the little children, and here at St. Andrew's we do too!



**Thank You** to First Wesley for sharing services with us this summer. This has been a wonderful opportunity to become partners in the mission of Christ and in the community. We have enjoyed our time with you and value the friendships forged.

## From Rev. Joyce,

*Have I told you lately that I love you?*



These words, as I hear and sing them, come from a song written by Irish singer/songwriter Van Morrison. Of course with a Rod Stewart or Michael Bublé track playing in the background! They were the first words that came to mind as I paused to reflect on the third anniversary of my ordination that occurred on August 24, 2013, and were the first words that came to mind because of how I feel about God and about St. Andrew's.

Just over a week ago the student minister from Geraldton and his wife met me here at St. Andrew's. I saw Guy looking at the pulpit and I said, go ahead, go up there, it is not my pulpit, it is God's. After a time, I joined him up there and shared that even after nearly three years I am still in awe of where God has taken my life - that I am a minister of word and sacrament. That I am trusted to share in the ministry of St. Andrew's and of God in such a way is humbling to say the least, but it also continues to bring me overflowing joy, challenge, and hope that I could never have imagined. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your journey and I give thanks that I am on such an amazing journey! Btw, I love you. ☺

## UPCOMING SEPTEMBER REMINDERS...

Tue 6th	Seekers Meeting.....	7:30pm
Wed 7th	Fac. & Finance Meeting.....	1:00 pm
Thu 8th	Faith Education Meeting.....	5:00 pm
Sun 11th	<b>Service Starts back at 11:00 am</b>	
Tue 13th	Evening Guild Meeting.....	12:30 pm
	Session Meeting.....	7:00 pm
Wed 21st	Core Group Meeting.....	11:00 am
Tue 27th	St. Aidan's Meeting.....	11:30 am

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**Sunday Worship - 10:30 am**

Office Hours: Mon. to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm