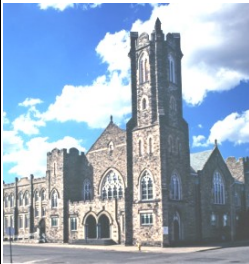


St. Andrew's News

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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 assistance. We invite guests to sign our guest book

located at the back of the sanctuary.

CHURCH LIBRARY

A reminder to all that there is a Church Lending Library in the back of Grant Hall. Please feel free to browse through our selection & borrow a book. Sign outs can be done through the office.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!



February 12th is a big day for several reasons! First, it the date of our Annual Meeting where your attendance is very important. This is the date where we look back on the previous year and plan for the upcoming year.

February 12th is also the date for a tasty coffee hour/luncheon hosted by the Evening Guild.



And last, but not least, February 12th has been designated as Heritage Sunday by the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Please celebrate and share your heritage by adding to our worship either through prayer, song, or an item to decorate the sanctuary. See Rev. Joyce if you wish to celebrate in this way. Otherwise, if you have traditional clothing, please wear it that day. Or if you have food to share that can help us to enjoy the taste of your heritage, the Evening Guild will be happy to have that as part of the food that day.



We are God's wonderful creation. Let's celebrate!

THANK YOU

Thank you so much to the Evening Guild who were the greeters in January. The Seekers Guild will be greeting for the month of February.



Week of Jan 30 — Feb 5, 2017

Mon 30 th	Fun & Fitness.....	9:30am
Wed 1 st	Fun & Fitness.....	9:30am
	Facilities & Finance Meeting	1:00pm
Thur 2 nd	Caring and Contact Meeting	1:00pm
	Prayers in Chapel	3:30pm

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:

Tara-Lynn, Joshua, Natalie & Tyler Carr; Joan Cates; Bruce, Marian, Stephen, Heather & Michael Childs; Jaewook, Seowon, Yaju Cho & Jihye Park; Muriel Commisso; Alice Compardo; Ann Connolly; Elizabeth Cook; Hazel Cooper; David Corbett; Gary & Lorie Crozier; Heather Cuff.

PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

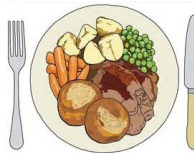
Together, Farming for the Future

One way our church is empowering vulnerable families to overcome hunger and improve nutrition is by supporting the Malawi Farmer-to-Farmer Agroecology project through Presbyterian World Service & Development. The project—with funding from the Government of Canada and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank—has helped 6,000 farm families in Malawi transform their withered plots of land and improve their livelihoods and lives for the long-term. Learning from one another, farmers practice and apply sustainable methods that help protect crops from a changing environment. Annie Nguluvu was amazed by the results of the program. Since learning about the advantages of intercropping, her small plot of land has sprung to life. "I've seen that I get more yields by adding other crops. It has increased my food production."

PWS&D supports food security for smallholder farmers



ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER



First Wesley United Church (130 Brodie St. N) is having their Annual Roast Beef Dinner on Friday February 10th at 6:30pm. Come out and "Celebrate the Fabulous Fifties!"

Entertainment will be provided by Bottom of the Barrel and the Sassy Senior Jazz Dancers. Tickets are \$20 each. For tickets, please leave a message at the church office (623-7001).



WHAT'S "NEW" ON THE WALL



There are pictures of new members of our church family on the Heritage Wall along with scenes from the nursery—the next step along the way.



WINTER FUN DAYS

Every Sunday from Jan 1-Mar 19, Winter Fun Days is being celebrated at Prince Arthur's Landing. This Sunday afternoon from 2-4pm you can try a traditional Scandinavian mode of transportation... kiksledding!



Next Sunday, Feb 5th, try your hand at Snow Sculpture for \$20. Space is limited so register by Feb 1st at culture@thunderbay.ca. This activity is hosted by Willow Springs at the Baggage Building Arts Centre at 12:30. Dress appropriately.

Come down and have some fun in the snow!

ANNUAL REPORTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The Annual Reports are now available. Please pick up your copy at the back of the sanctuary.



BAKING, BOOKS, BAUBLES & BEADS



Saturday February 11th from 10am-1pm, Lakeview Presbyterian Church (278 Camelot St) is holding a Baking, Books, Baubles and Beads Sale.

Come out and browse and just enjoy the day!



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



The first great gift we can bestow on others is a good example.

-Thomas Morell (1703 – 1784), English librettist, classical scholar, and printer

From Rev. Joyce,



I have a new appreciation for grief. It was not until my mom's death that I had ever lost someone close to me that I loved for so long and so much. When I got back from the funeral in early December I thought to myself, "Okay, get through Christmas, enjoy the visit with my daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter, then back to business." That worked for about two weeks in January. This past week the grief hit me hard. I have cried out as many tears again as I did in those first few weeks. As much as I have walked alongside those who are grieving, particularly in the first few days after someone's death, it is the depth of the loss and its continued pull on my energy and spirit that has surprised me. My mom lived a good long life, our family was loving, and she was a Christian. Everything in my head says its good, but the rest of my body is saying, not really. Mom is fine, its me who is missing that person with whom I could share all the stuff that no one else wanted to listen to. I miss her smile, her touch, her phone calls, and though I told her I loved her many times, I still have regrets and questions.

Through observing my own family, I have also learned how differently each person experiences loss and that no one way is the right way. Grief brings with it many emotions and challenges. With all of my training, being with people, and faith, I could not have anticipated what my own grief was going to be like. For those of you who grieve, I pray you will know God gives us strength enough for each day, and when the strength is not there it may be time to rest from your labours, whether a few hours or days, and be renewed. If needed, find someone to be with you in it. Know that I am there for you, and now I get it even more than I did before.

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

