

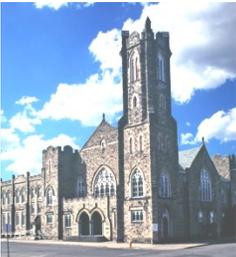
# St. Andrew's News

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Happy Father's Day



June 18, 2017



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.

## SUMMER CAMP SUPPLY LIST



The Summer Camp supply list is out and posted by the front office. Any donations are greatly appreciated. Please sign your name next to an item you will be donating and bring them to St. Andrew's the by July 3rd. We also welcome donations of cash or cheques to offset the cost of fresh food.

## GRADUATION TIME



Caring & Contact would like to recognize graduates by sending congratulatory notes. If you are aware of anyone who is graduating or has graduated from high school, college or university this year,



please let the church know by Sunday June 25th.

## SUMMER CAMP

Registration forms are available in the office for Summer Camp. Junior Camp: July 8-14; Senior Camp: Aug 17-20. Get your registration in... Summer is almost here!!



## VACATION



Rev. Joyce will be on vacation June 19 - June 24th & June 26 - July 12. In her absence, Larry Hebert will lead service on July 2 & Kerry McLaughlin will lead service on July 9.

## BELLS UNITED

There will be a Handbell Choir Concert on Wed June 21 @ 7:00pm at Trinity United Church (30 Algoma Street S). This is a fun time to hear and learn about ringing handbells! Admission is a freewill offering towards refurbishing the bells.



## 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:



**Bob McMahon & Ann Alexander; Marvin McNabb; Lloyd McNaughton; Nancy & Sarah McNaughton; Enni Mickelson; Wes & Karen Millar; Doug, Barbara, Callum & Lara Mitchell; Graeme, Tara & Brynn Monteith; George & Mary Morrison.**

## LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE

A huge thank you to Bruce Hole, Jan Sewell and their wonderful team of workers for the delicious lunches served up each month, September to June.

We are truly grateful for all your kindness & generosity.



## PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

### June 20 is World Refugee Day

Presbyterian World Service & Development is very grateful for the congregations, presbyteries, groups and individuals who contributed to refugee sponsorship efforts in 2016. Whether they were involved in an application, raising funds or collecting furniture, Presbyterians were enthusiastic as ever to respond to the global refugee crisis by contributing to resettlement opportunities in Canada. In 2016, 73 sponsorship applications were filed for 244 people, with families from Syria, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, Eritrea, Iran, Iraq, Liberia, Pakistan, Burma and Venezuela arriving safely in Canada. We celebrate the compassionate efforts of Presbyterians across Canada who are responding to God's call to serve and defend the vulnerable and the persecuted.

*PWS&D responds to refugees*



## From Rev. Joyce,

Today I wish all the fathers in our midst a "Happy Father's Day!" It is a day that we celebrate you. I am able to say this knowing that my dad, husband and all the fathers in my extended family are steadfast, loving, and compassionate. For many others though, they grew up with fathers who were not steadfast, loving, or kind. They only know sorrow, loss of relationship, expectations they could never meet, and in many cases, abuse. Though it may be a connection others don't make quickly, it got me thinking about how our hymns and prayers have changed over the years, how words that were exclusively male are now being changed to be more inclusive in our scriptures, hymns, and prayers. This change has occurred for many reasons; "some hymn texts are offensive, exclusive, and hurtful to some worshipers. Some texts continually refer to gender-neutral nouns with only male pronouns. Others use only the male pronoun to generically refer to all people - the church, humankind - which can lead women to feel excluded...the language of government, education, commerce, and the arts reflects this change in meaning. In much of the secular world, including the schools in which our children are educated, "man" is no longer used as a synonym for "human being." Thus, when women and girls hear it so used in our hymns and liturgy today, they either assume that they are excluded or that it refers only to males."<sup>1</sup>

Regardless of how our world has changed, men are important. Your gifts to the world, to your families, to others, given in response to God's love for you, makes a difference. I pray that each of you knows God's blessing and desire for your lives. And may your example be one that grows another generation of men who live lives of integrity, love, and compassion.

<sup>1</sup><https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/making-hymns-inclusive>.



## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

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

We are so glad that you are here and that you brought your children with 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 towards the front where it is easier for children to see and hear.
- ◆ Sing hymns, pray & respond 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 activities & books available for the children on the mat along the south wall. Please sit close to the children to aid in their activities & to be handy should your child need you.
- ◆ Teach children the Lord's Prayer; being able to join in with the prayers helps children feel they are contributing too.
- ◆ Attend worship often. Children like & need routines where they can participate.
- ◆ Should your child need some quiet time, the nursery is located on the 4th floor. Please do not allow children to wander through the sanctuary or church unattended. Their safety is of utmost importance to us.

**To those sitting near 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!



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### Sunday Worship - 10:00 am

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



## PARISH HEALTH NEWS



Check out the latest health news about Sun and Garden Safety on the Parish Health Bulletin Board located in the hallway beside the Sanctuary doors.

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

It is better to return a borrowed pot with a little something you last cooked in it.

-Native American proverb

