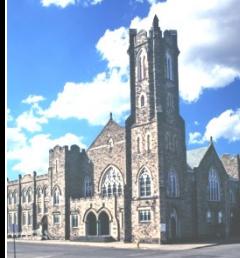


St. Andrew's News

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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.

DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL 2017

The Thunder Bay Dragon Boat Festival will be held on Sat. Aug. 12 at Boulevard Lake from 10 am until 8 pm. This is a fundraiser for Canadian Mental Health Association, Catholic Family Development Centre and St. Joseph's Foundation. Come watch the races, feast on the local offerings and enjoy the day!

Family of Dragons Festival



TALES ABOUT TREES



EcoSuperior is holding a FREE workshop called Tales About Trees on Aug. 1 from 6:30 to 8 pm. Discover the important habitats that trees provide for wildlife and humans alike and learn how to identify trees common to northwestern Ontario during a short walk around Central Gardens. It's FREE!

THUNDER BAY TRIVIA

Did you know...

Do you know what Boulevard Lake used to be called? In 1901 a wooden overflow dam was built creating the Park Service Reservoir, known today as Boulevard Lake. The wooden dam was replaced in 1910 with the current concrete dam when the Paquette Dam located further upstream washed away in a flood.

In 1971 a Thunder Bay plane bound for Toronto was successfully hijacked to Havana, Cuba. The culprit, Patrick Dolan Critton, was finally arrested 30 years later in his hometown of New York.



THANK YOU so much to Rev. Kerry McLaughlin for leading the service this morning while Rev. Joyce is in Geraldton.

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:

Jeffrey & Christine Rawana; Elizabeth Renshaw; Ray & Shirley Rogowski; Ed, Donna, Samantha & Devin Ronald; Adam, Lisa, Tyler & Megan Rose.



LIVE ON THE WATERFRONT



On Aug. 2nd from 6-9pm, Live on the Waterfront (used to be called Summer in the Park), will feature The Roosters, Café Paris—Martin Blanchet Jazz and Danny Johnson. Come down to the marina and enjoy some warmth, sunshine and music. Supper can be courtesy of the food vendors.

PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

Administering change

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help administer the Avondbloem Fund, established by George and Evelyn van Beek in 1981. This legacy gift supports practical, creative PCC projects that spread the message of Christ. The Raw Carrot Soup Enterprise, a ministry of Paris Presbyterian Church, received a grant to help grow its innovative work. Staff members—who are on social assistance or living with barriers to traditional employment—prepare healthy, homemade soups and stews that are sold in the Paris community and beyond. Proceeds from the sales provide their salaries. Currently, eight people are employed—and two more Raw Carrots will be opening in the next year! This initiative builds self-confidence, provides job training and job creation—a living example of Christ's message of love and hope.



Presbyterians Sharing supports dreams as they are turned into reality

MODERATOR CALLS FOR PRAYER FOR FOREST FIRES RAGING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA INTERIOR

God of mercy,

We pray for the people of the British Columbia interior impacted by these fires—Williams Lake, Cache Creek, Ashcroft Indian Reserve, 100 Mile House—and other places impacted but whose names we do not know.

In mercy, look down upon those who have lost property, we cannot imagine what it is to lose everything in a fire.

In mercy, look down upon those who have left everything behind and do not know if they will have anything to return to, we cannot imagine what that feels like.

In mercy, look down upon those who are driving out through smoke and danger.

We pray for firefighters—we are astounded by their courage, their skill, and their stamina. Keep them safe in extraordinarily dangerous situations. Be with their family and friends, who support them and worry about them.

We pray government officials and emergency planners that they would have wisdom, patience, and calm while all around them there is chaos and uncertainty.

We thank you for communities like Prince George and Kamloops and others that are welcoming evacuees from the fire, give the leaders and citizens of these communities caring hearts, welcoming smiles, and good spirits to show hospitality to the thousands who are arriving on their doorsteps.

God of the weather, we ask for rain with no lightning and cooler weather with no wind.

We bring before you all those connected with the Presbyterian Church's Cariboo Ministry who are impacted by this fire, and all those Presbyterians who may have the opportunity to show hospitality—let them know that they are loved and prayed for by your church.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

—*The Rev. Peter Bush, Moderator of
the 143rd General Assembly*

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.

-Mother Theresa (1910-1997)



From Rev. Joyce,

Last week in the service I talked about God being present in our lives, in the struggles and troubles, and in unexpected moments. I suggested that people might take a rock from one of the baskets at back of the sanctuary and carry it with them during the week. This was to be a reminder of the story of Jacob in Genesis 28 where the rock he used for a pillow became a marker for a place of worship, a place where God was encountered. In the story, Jacob had come to that place thinking he was on his own, but the Lord came to him in a dream and made promises of presence and protection as Jacob journeyed through life. His words as recorded in scripture were, "Surely the Lord is in this place – and I did not know it" (v16). The rocks you take with you are to be used as a reminder to look for God in places and moments in your life, for surely the Lord is in places where we did not expect to find God. The baskets remain will remain at the back for some time. You are welcome to take a rock with you each week to mark places or moments when you sensed or knew that God was present. If you don't have that moment, don't worry, continue to look and expect to see, know, feel, or just trust that God is at work in the world around you.



FESTA ITALIANA



Come one, come all to Thunder Bay's best Italian Festival on Sun. Aug. 6 and Mon. Aug. 7 at the Italian Cultural Centre on Algoma St. IT'S



FREE! Bring your appetite and enjoy all the scrumptious, mouth-watering delights that our Italian Community has to offer.

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