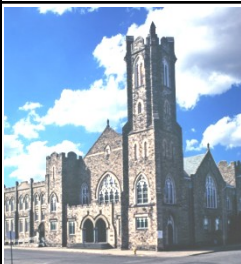


St. Andrew's News

www.standrewspres-tbaytel.ca

August 20, 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.

WELCOME BACK SUNDAY

Mark you calendars! Sun. Sept. 10 is Welcome Back Sunday and there is so much happening!

- ◆ Fall Services will be starting at 11:00 am
- ◆ Sunday School celebrating its fall start
- ◆ Coffee Hour hosted by Faith Ed



We welcome you to celebrate the Elder ordinations of Gordon Cuthbertson and Judy Persian as part of the regular service of worship.

MOVIE NIGHTS ON THE WATERFRONT

There is so much to do that's FREE in Thunder Bay during the summer! So why not spend Friday nights at the Waterfront and watch a great movie. On Fri. Aug. 25 bring out the family to see The Batman Lego Movie. On Sat. Aug. 26 you can enjoy Over the Hedge. Movies start once it's dark (between 8 and 9 pm) for the Family Series. Remember to bring warm clothing, a blanket & a lawn chair as it does get chilly in the evening. There are concessions available for your convenience and admission is FREE.



LIVE ON THE WATERFRONT

You know that summer is coming to an end when there are only 2 more Live on the Waterfront events left to enjoy this season. So grab your lawn chair and come out and be entertained by Roy Coran Big Band; Thunder Bay Community Band; and James Boraski & Momentary Evolution. The music starts at 6 pm & runs til 9 pm. Local vendors are on site for your convenience.



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:



Lynda Siironen; Ron & Carol Silver; Trudy Silver; John Simons; Doreen Simpson; Steve & Mary Sipos; Gary Smith & Joe Ehrler; Joyce Smith; Lindsay, Jon, Isla, Sade, Noelle Smith.

CHECK US OUT ONLINE

Did you know you can find us online? Here's just some of the things you can find on our website: www.standrewspres-tbay.ca.



- ◆ The St. Andrew's story
- ◆ Weekly Newsletter in full colour
- ◆ Calendar of Events
- ◆ Information on our many programs

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



From Rev. Joyce,

Great is thy faithfulness; great is thy faithfulness;
morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm (1866-1960)
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Last week I began to share the ways God has provided for this congregation in the last few years. I continue...

There have been gifts of money that showed up just in time to pay bills or deal with unforeseen and unbudgeted concerns. People in the church who have been willing to use their connections in the community and their knowledge to help us with projects and the speaker's series. So many things go unseen, like the families who provide nursery care and Sunday School teachers who prep each week not knowing if there will be any children, or more than they could have anticipated. Yet they are faithful to the task. Some things are done in secret by people who just quietly go about their day and I don't get to share of their generosity except in generalities. The visiting ministry with Judy Persian, the website with Kathie Pawlik, both answers to prayers as the need was present but required people with specific gifts. All we have needed God's hand has provided and continues to provide. God is with us. God is at work in this beautiful place in you the beautiful people. Thanks be to God.



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Sunday Worship - 10:00 am

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

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

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

-Mother Theresa (1910-1997)



The Presbyterian Church in Canada

Moderator Rev. Peter Bush responds to violence in Charlottesville, Virginia and Nairobi, Kenya

Our hearts have been broken yet again by the violence and the incitement to violence we have witnessed in the world over the weekend. In Charlottesville, where white supremacists clashed with anti-racist protesters with deadly consequences. In Nairobi, where violence between the Luo and the Kikuyu has produced equally deadly consequences.

At the beginning of the Bible, in Genesis 1, we are taught that all human beings are made in the image of God. At the end of the Bible in the book of Revelation, human beings "from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages," gather together to bring glory and honour to God who sits on the throne and to Jesus Christ. Between these bookends telling us that human beings of every ethnicity and culture are made in the image of God, James 3:9,10 reminds us we cannot both praise God and curse our fellow human beings who are made in the image of God.

We pray for a world where all human beings recognize their fellow human beings as being made in the image of God.

PRAYER:

God who made all humans in your image, we come to you with broken hearts.

We live in a world where human beings curse and disrespect other human beings on the basis of the other's skin colour. We live in a world where human beings attack and commit violence against other human beings on the basis of the other's ethnicity.

We weep over the loss of life that has occurred. We pray for those who have lost loved ones.

Bring comfort.

We pray for those who feel fear because of the violence. Bring the peace which passes all understanding.

We pray for those who have learned that violence is the way to deal with racial and ethnic difference. Bring a change of heart by your Holy Spirit.

We celebrate the courage of those who speak and act for peace and reconciliation between ethnicities and races. For as your Son, Jesus, declared, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God."

God of grace, your Son Jesus Christ took into himself the hate and violence of the world, through the work of the cross we pray all human beings will come to recognize their fellow human beings as being made in your image.

We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.