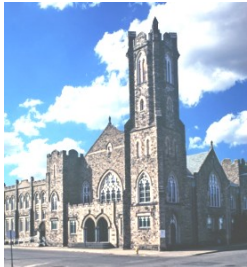


# St. Andrew's News

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March 25, 2018



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.

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude. *Mary Jo Leddy (1946), Radical Gratitude*

## 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:



**Jack & Lois Laughton; Fiona & Richard Lawrence; Nathan, Mary Beth & Benjamin Lawrence; Don LeCocq; Robert, Rhonda & Morgan Legros; Michael, Darlene, Jordan & Olivia Lehto.**

## OFFICE CLOSED NOTICE



Our office will be closed on Good Friday, Mar. 30, and Easter Mon. Apr. 2. We will re-open on Tues. Apr. 3 at 9 a.m.

## PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

### Equipping congregations through webinars

Are you interested in learning about digital giving? Church renewal? Sharing your congregation's story in inspiring ways? Moving forward with your church's vision? The PCC's webinars provide online learning opportunities that equip congregations on topics relating to leadership, renewal and stewardship. Each webinar is free, made possible by gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*. It's easy to register and participate. Each webinar is recorded and posted online for viewing at any time. To find out about upcoming webinars, visit [presbyterian.ca/webinar-wednesday](http://presbyterian.ca/webinar-wednesday).



*Presbyterians Sharing funds learning opportunities*

## Week of March 26—April 2, 2018

**Mon. 26**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

**Tues. 27**—St. Aiden's—11:30 a.m.

**Wed. 28**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

**Thurs. 29**—Prayers in Chapel—2:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Service—7:00 pm

**Fri. 30**—Office closed

Good Friday Service—11:00 a.m.

**Sun. Apr. 1**—Easter Sunday Service—11:00 am

**Mon. Apr. 2**—Office closed

## PRES-B JUNIOR CAMP

Before we know it the snow will be gone and summer will be here. That means Pres-B-Camp!!! Forms are now available at the back of the Church. This year Junior Camp will be from July 22-26th and is for those entering grades 3-8 this fall. Senior Camp will be August 27-30th and is for those entering grades 9-12. Volunteer forms are also available for those interested in helping out! Pres-B-Camp is a wonderful chance for you and your friends to make new friends, have fun times, and create memories that will last a lifetime. It would be helpful for the planning of camp if you could submit your forms or indicate your interest in camp by May 15th. We hope you, your children, or your grandchildren can come out and enjoy Pres-B-Camp with us this summer!



## A FINANCIAL UPDATE

February was 17% of the way through the year. The funds raised to date should be close to that amount. We are very happy to report that Presbyterian Sharing is currently at 21%; however, funds raised to support our church continue to fall behind and is currently at 12%.



Our new heating system continues to save us money on our heating bill. In February we had a much colder month than last year and we still had a savings of 32% compared to February 2017. Even with the increases in gas costs over last year that amounts to a savings of \$327 for February.

## LENT AND HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2018

**Sunday Worship Series:**  
**Let All of Me Kneel before God's Holy Name**



Palm Sunday March 25: (Feet)

Old Testament: Isaiah 52:7-12

Psalm: Psalm 40:1-3

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel: Mark 1:16-20

Maundy Thursday March 29 7:00 p.m.

with communion

Good Friday March 30 11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday April 1 Service with Communion

## POT LUCK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Bring your family and friends to a potluck supper on Sat. April 14th at 5:30 pm at First Presbyterian.

Following the meal, Rev. Susan will give a presentation on her recent trip to Haiti. She travelled with a delegation from the Women's Missionary Society PCC. Come and see what our denomination is doing in Haiti.



## SACRED MUSIC FOR GOOD FRIDAY

The Thunder Bay Community Choir directed by Mary McGhee will be held at Trinity United Church, 30 S. Algoma St., on Friday, March 30 at 7 p.m. Freewill offering accepted in support of the Alzheimer Society of Thunder Bay.



## MISSION TO SEAFARERS

The Seaway is opening on Mar. 29 & the 1st ocean going ship is due in early April. To help out at the Seafarers' Centre, call Canon Ed Swayze at 344-8241. We are looking for Watch Keepers, who host seafarers at the Seafarers' Centre, and Drivers to drive our van. [www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay](http://www.missiontoseafarers.ca/thunderbay)



## SPRING FLEA MARKET

The Spring Flea Market sponsored by the Sunday School will be held on May 5 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at St. Andrew's. Set up will be Thurs. morning from 9 til noon & Fri. starting at 9 am & running all day. Come out and help for a while! We are always glad for the extra help for the morning and/or afternoon shifts. To keep the Church tidy, donations should be brought during the week before the sale. For further info call Marian Childs at 577-1324.



## From Rev. Joyce,

Today marks the beginning of what is known as Holy Week. If you desire a deeper experience of the pain and anguish of Christ in taking upon himself the sins of the world, your sin and mine, this is a week to plan to come to worship. Palm Sunday's hallelujahs move into the intimacy of Maundy Thursday as Jesus dined with his closest friends and instituted the Lord's supper. Jesus moves to the Mount of Olives and reached the place where he cried out to God knowing what he was about to face. Good Friday is the anguish of the cross itself, betrayal, arrest, beating, and crucifixion. Then silence as death has what appears to be the final word.



If one jumps only from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday without pausing, you miss the intensity of God's love for you and all of the world. You miss the tears, the brokenness, the despair, the part that reminds us that Jesus truly does know our sorrows and has experienced separation from God in a way that none of us ever need to because of Jesus death. Without Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, you miss the valley of tears that soars to the mountain top of Easter joy! This is the story of the Gospel in a week of worship. Come and worship! Come and See!

## SPRING IS HERE!

After what seemed to be an incredibly long and cold winter, spring officially arrived this week. Just think, soon we will be complaining about it being way too hot! Can't wait!



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**Sunday Worship - 11:00 am**

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