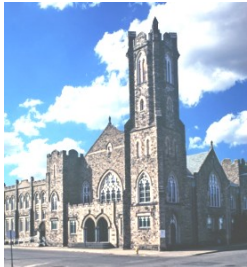


# St. Andrew's News

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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.

## ST. ANDREW'S SPEAKER SERIES

Transportation in Thunder Bay: A Hub of History  
Thurs. April 19 at 7 p.m. Speakers include members from Lakehead Transportation Museum Society; National Model Railway Association; Northwestern Ontario Aviation Centre; and Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior. Tickets \$10 at the door. Cash only. Children 10 & under FREE.

## 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:

**Ron, Marlene, Gary, Richard & Ronald Lesovich; Bob Loney; Mary Loney; Al & Irene Lougheed.**

## PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

### A healing ministry

Through *Presbyterians Sharing*, Kenora Fellowship Centre is nurturing healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Also called Anamiewigummig, meaning "House of Prayer", the centre provides sanctuary and hospitality for people marginalized and alienated by poverty and addiction. A weekly worship service held on Sunday afternoons often includes a sharing circle, drumming and the sharing of traditional foods. Through a drop-in centre, detoxification programs, street patrol, and soup kitchen, each day the hardworking staff share God's love as well as friendship, community, and solidarity. This ministry represents a place of hope for healing and wholeness and serves as a model of Christian community



*Presbyterians Sharing walks with Indigenous peoples*

## Week of March April 8 — 14, 2018

**Mon. 9**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

**Tues. 10**—Session Meeting —7:00 p.m.  
Hogarth Riverview—9:45 a.m.

**Wed. 11**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

Lunch with a Difference —12 noon

**Thurs. 5**—Music Pups—11:00 a.m.

Prayers in Chapel—2:00 p.m.

## 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

March is 25% 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 33%; however, funds raised to support our church continue to fall behind and is currently at 20%—still 5% behind where we should be. This 5% shortage equates to approximately \$10,000.



Our new heating system continues to save us money on our heating bill. Even with the colder temperatures this March compared to last year, we still had a savings of 34%. Despite the increases in gas costs that still amounts to a savings of **\$972.00** over 1 month!!! That's phenomenal!!!

## FIRST-WESLEY UNITED GARAGE SALE

Mark your calendars! Fri. Apr. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. & Sat. Apr. 14 from 9 a.m. to noon, First-Wesley United Church will be holding a Garage Sale. Admission is free. Come and check out a variety of household and yard articles, toys, clothing, books, and more.



## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Gratitude is an opener of locked-up blessings.  
*Marianne Williamson (b.1962), author*

## 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.



## THE JOY OF EASTER CONTINUES...

### April 15—Celebration of Time, Talent & Treasure

A day to celebrate groups and individuals in the Church who contribute to the amazing life and work of St. Andrew's.

### April 22—Given the Chance

Special Music and Worship will be led with Rev. Joyce and the musical band, Given the Chance.

*Services are at regular Worship times on Sunday morning.*

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We bid farewell to our Office Administrator, Sonia Rutter. Her last day was Fri. April 6. Thank you, Sonia, for all your hard work, and we wish you all the best in her retirement.



## 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,

Oh, my goodness. My oldest son turned thirty-three years old on Friday. I can hardly believe that my 6'4" son was once a baby that I held gently in my arms. Now it is the other way around! Ken and I are always looking at each other wondering where the time has gone. Actually, I was wondering where the time had gone between Christmas and Easter only to find myself planning out vacation time for the summer. It is a refrain I hear from people over and over, and I have to lament with them, "Where has the time gone?" But time is not always an enemy of our lives. I have found that with time I have learned a lot about myself, my limitations, my gifts, my strengths, my weaknesses, and that learning continues, even if painfully at times. I often don't make good choices or decisions, and even when I think I have done the best I can, others don't believe that to be true, but I have to let that go. Time has also given me perspective, I have learned to forgive faster, love more unconditionally, accept the things I cannot change, have courage to change the things I can, and pray for the wisdom to know the difference (based on the Serenity Prayer). With all of this, I have also learned that the prayers of others for my life make an impact. As the minister of St. Andrew's, I need your prayers often and always. Never under-estimate the importance of prayer for me, especially when it is intended for my well-being.

Though my age would suggest that I have a lot of experience in ministry I do not. I have considerable life experience that aids me in ministry. Still, though I have been with you for just over four years, I have much to learn about being a leader, an overseer of staff, and a servant of God. Time will continue to move faster than I want it to, but as it does I pray that I will continue to grow in love, faith, joy, and wisdom. Thank you for letting me learn all these things as I do my best to minister in your presence.

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### Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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