

# 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.



## WEEK OF AUG. 26 — SEPT. 1, 2018

Nothing scheduled for this week.

### PAINT NIGHT AND HIGH TEA!

Hosted by the Seekers, come join us **Sept. 29th - 1pm**, at the Church for an afternoon of high tea and painting. Finger sandwiches and dainties will be served as you paint the iconic Sleeping Giant. This is an all ages event, bring the family!



## WELCOME BACK SUNDAY — SEPT. 9TH!

Commissioning service for Sunday school, teachers, choir. With joy we will honour Betty McCormack, Bruce Hole, and Marian Childs for their dedication as members of Session and leaders of the Church with title Elder Emeritus! Watch for details!



### DINNER AUCTION MEETING



Dinner Auction meeting **September 6th, 2018 at 5:15 pm** in the Eleanor Patterson room.

### REMINDER SEPTEMBER GREETERS



St. Aiden's will be greeting in the month of September!

### SPECIAL THANKS!



Special thanks to all the Volunteers who helped out with the cleaning bee to prepare the Sanctuary for Doors Open! Everyone appreciates your time and dedication. You worked so hard!! It is a gift to all of us!

### UPCOMING FUNDRAISER DINNER AUCTION!



St Andrew's Presbyterian Church is holding a fundraising dinner auction on **October 11** at the Columbus Centre, a true night of fun! The Dinner Auction Committee is seeking your support. We are seeking donations of live and silent auction items, including: art, crafts, tools, household items, antiques, sporting goods, services, gift certificates (restaurants, hotels, retailers, coffee shops, golf). We also ask your support by purchasing a ticket for the dinner for \$35 (\$10 children) and the opportunity to bid on many great prizes! Consider a table of friends from your neighbourhood or circle of friends—we will reserve a table for your group! All proceeds will go to church operations! **Contact John Mason 577-4043** to donate items and buy tickets. We appreciate your support! “



**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:  
**Fred, & Sandra, Adrienne Dewsberry; Adrian & Lisa Bryden; Lionnel & Danielle, Nathan, Oranne Djon; Don & Penny, Donovan; Rhoda Ann Douglas; Eileen Duguid; Ruth Dundas; Janis Dykes; John Dykes; Susan & Bill Dynes; Keith & Heather, Sydney, Keira Edgson; Margaret Elliot; Larry & Kelli Eyres; Barbara & Dick Facca; Anne Farrington, Chris, David, Eric, Graham RobertShaw; Michael & Kyla, Julia, Kaelyn, Alexandra Fenton;**

### BLESSING OF BACK PACKS



As the new school year starts for the teachers! Students, and children go to daycare as vacation end, you are invited to bring backpacks to worship for a special blessing and a small gift to remember that “God’s got your back”.

### FRAGRANCE FREE REMINDER

For the health & consideration of those who attend this space of worship, please refrain from using perfume, cologne & other scented products.



## From Rev. Joyce,



I do a lot of thinking about stewardship. The Meriam Webster dictionary defines stewardship as “the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care.” This is the church. God has entrusted the care of the church on earth to us human beings. And for our little part of the world, our congregation has been entrusted with the care of St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church, the people, mission, ministry, and building.

For us stewardship comes in the form of giving time, energy, gifts of talent, and as with most things in our modern society, money. And it is my desire to say thank you. Thank you for all that you give of yourselves. Your energy, time, and talent are so important to the work here. And thank you for the financial gifts both small and large. This place doesn’t exist in this form without the money to pay for staff, utilities, upkeep, and of course for outreach. Often it is the large gifts that we celebrate, but I want you to know that every offering is important and we give thanks for each dollar of regular giving. Beyond that are the extra amounts that people tuck in here and there throughout the year. Ten dollars added to someone’s fifty dollars, added to another’s twenty-five, and ministry continues. Those dollars coming together are as miraculous as the large gifts. You are an amazingly generous congregation. Thank you for being God’s stewards in this time and place.



## DOORS OPEN THUNDER BAY!



Visit St. Andrew’s as part of the Doors Open Thunder Bay held on **September 8th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm (all other venues open until 4:00 pm)**, under the partnership of Doors Open Ontario and the Ontario Heritage Trust. Offering residents and visitors the opportunity to step through the doors of some of our city’s most unique structures and heritage sites. Experience firsthand Thunder Bay’s remarkable architecture, not only from the outside but from the inside as well – all free of charge! Come explore Thunder Bay’s history, culture and community initiatives through our built heritage this September.

## RESPONDING TO CRISIS IN AFRICA

Across the African continent, many thousands are severely impacted by crises not of their own making—natural disasters and conflict. Violent clashes in **Sudan, South Sudan** and the **Democratic Republic of the Congo** have caused widespread trauma and displacement and left many thousands without the necessities for survival. In **Somalia**, families fleeing their homes because of deadly flash floods are at risk of malnutrition and disease. PWS&D is responding with partners at Canadian Food grains Bank and the ACT Alliance to meet the needs of the hungry and displaced. Join us in showing God’s love and compassion to those in need. Make a donation through the church, donating online at **WeRespond.ca**, or calling **1-800-619-7301 ext. 291**. Please mark your donation “Africa Relief.”



## PWS&D MISSION MOMENT



Planting new seeds of ministry. As a symbol of the Kingdom of God, Jesus shares the image of a small mustard seed that, when planted by a sower, turns into a large and life-giving tree. After helping to grow a successful new ministry at Heritage Green Family Church in Stoney Creek, ON, the Rev. David Moody has responded to God’s call to help other churches sow new ministry seeds. With the support of Presbyterians Sharing through Canadian Ministries, The Presbytery of Hamilton has called the Rev. Moody to serve as a replanting minister, guiding and journeying with congregations as they discern and implement new visions for their ministries. *Presbyterians Sharing supports church growth.*

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**Sunday Worship - 10:00 am**

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