



St. Andrew's News

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April 14th, 2019

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.



PRAYER INVITATION



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: Ian McCormack; Rob & Helen McCormack; Allan McFarlane; Mary McGhee; Wallace & Julie McKay; Lynda McKeown; Don & Jane, Bradley, Megan McLeod; Gwen McLeod; Martha McLeod; Bob McMahan & Ann Alexander; Nancy, Sarah McNaughton; Graeme & Tara, Brynn Monteith; Mary Morrison

PIPE ORGAN FUNDRAISING

This Casavant Pipe Organ was originally installed in 1909 and rebuilt in 1929. The Kathy Kroff-Fisher Organ Concert raised \$2725.47, which is included in our total of \$16,345.00. Bringing us closer to our **\$20,000** goal. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Andrew's Church Flea Market is in need of volunteers for set-up and take down on **Sat. May 11** from 9:00am - 6:00pm and for Sales from 9:00am - 1:30pm. Please call **Marian Childs at 577-1324**. Items can be dropped off the week of the sale.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sunday April 14
11:00 A.M. - Palm/Passion Sunday

Thursday April 18
7:00 P.M. - Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

Friday April 19
11:00 A.M. - Good Friday Service

Sunday April 21
11:00 A.M. - Easter Sunday Service with Communion

WEEK OF APRIL 14 - 21, 2019

Sun 14 - Seekers Coffee Hour @ 12:00pm
 Mon 15 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
 Wed 17 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
 Thurs 18 - Prayers in the Chapel @ 1:15pm
 Thurs 18 - Maundy Thursday Service @ 7:00pm
 Fri 19 - Good Friday Service @ 11:00am
 Fri 19 - OFFICE CLOSED
 Sun 21 - Communion Service @ 11:00am

FISH & CHIP DINNER

Port Arthur Branch 5 Legion will be having their Fish & Chip Dinner on Good Friday **April 19** from 5pm - 7pm with takeout available. Located at 229 Van Norman St. dinner will be served in the Imperial Lounge or in the Clubroom located upstairs. Shannon Barnsley will be singing live folk music at that time and then Jack Nelson will be performing country/western music from 8pm - 11pm.

Full Diner (2 Pieces) - \$14.00
 Half Dinner (1 Piece) - \$11.50
 Children's Dinner (10 & Under) - \$7.00

All dinners include:

- ♦ Hand Battered Atlantic Cod (pan fried or baked)
- ♦ Baked Potato or Fries
- ♦ Dessert
- ♦ Coleslaw
- ♦ Tea or Coffee

COFFEE HOUR



The Seekers will be hosting a coffee hour today following worship.

ELDER ELECTIONS

Elections for Elders will be held from April 14th to April 28th inclusive. You may vote on any of these Sundays or, if preferred, you may choose to vote in the office during the weekdays from 9:00am to 1:00pm. During service, the ballot box will be located on the table at the back of the Sanctuary.



ORGAN FUNDRAISER

We will be taking requests for music for worship services. If you have a hymn, prelude, offertory, or postlude that you would like to hear or dedicate to someone during a service, fill out an envelope. They are located at the back of the sanctuary.

April 28th will exclusively be a hymn singing service, but hymns can also be requested for another day of your choosing.

A donation of \$20 per request is suggested.

CHORAL MUSIC FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Thunder Bay Community Choir
Directed by Mary McGhee

Friday April 19, 2019 - 7:00pm
at Trinity United Church

Accompanists
Joy Fahrenbruck, Diana Hannaford-Wilcox and
Marcella Smithers

With Bells United and Guest Musicians
Freewill offerings accepted in support of



From Rev. Joyce

- ◆ What does it mean to be a member of the Presbyterian Church in Canada?
- ◆ Are you curious about what Presbyterians believe?
- ◆ Are you interested in joining St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church?
- ◆ Are you refreshing your memory about what it means to be Presbyterian?

These are questions that are answered when one attends confirmation classes. The classes are an opportunity to explore the answers to these and other questions. Membership is a sign of God's profound grace that reaches out and invites us to be part of the Church. Membership is also a public demonstration of substantial commitment to the Church of Jesus Christ. If you are interested in exploring and expanding your faith through this study and membership please connect with me. I will be planning the time and place of this series based on the schedule of those who sign up. If you would like more information before deciding if this is for you, please connect with me and we can have a conversation. Leading these classes is one of my favourite parts of ministry!

A PCC MISSION MOMENT

Creating community for new Canadians

Life in Christ Ministry provides support and assistance for Arabic and Farsi speaking refugees living in the Greater Toronto Area. Each year, the ministry offers a New Beginnings Training Program that provides practical workshops aimed at helping refugees adapt to local Canadian communities, including learning English and developing other life skills. By offering games and activities for children at the same time as adult workshops, the program responds to the need for parents to attend programs with their children. In addition, the program provides meaningful job opportunities for students and volunteers.

Presbyterians Sharing welcomes refugees

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY



The events framed by Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and his resurrection are some of the most dramatic and theologically important of the entire scriptural narrative. These days feature not only the drama of the triumphal entry, trial, last supper, and crucifixion but also poignant prayers and prophetic teachings of our Lord. John's gospel devotes eight of its twenty-one chapters to this week alone! The week begins with Passion/Palm Sunday and ends with the "three days" (also called the *Triduum*, from sunset on Thursday to sunset on Easter Day), the period during which we mark Jesus' trial, death, and resurrection. The first Sunday of Holy Week is commonly called either "Palm Sunday" or "Passion Sunday." Those who call it "Palm Sunday" tend to focus on the entry of Christ into Jerusalem to shouts of "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" Those who refer to the day as "Passion Sunday" tend to focus on Jesus' suffering.

Remembering the day as Passion Sunday is especially appropriate in contexts in which participation in midweek services on Maundy Thursday or Good Friday is difficult or minimal, and, as a result, worshipers would sing "Hosanna" on one Sunday and "Christ arose" on the next, with little attention to Jesus' suffering and death in between.

But even for congregations that celebrate the day as Palm Sunday, it's important to capture the irony of the day. This is the day on which Jesus entered the city in triumph, but as a part of his journey to the cross; this is the week in which the crowd's cries of "Hosanna" would soon turn to "Crucify him!"

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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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