



# St. Andrew's News

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*Responding!*

*Restoring!*

*Rejoicing!*



## FARWELL & BLESSINGS FOR SUE HEALD

Today St. Andrew's will be sharing our best wishes for Sue and her husband Ken as they move to be closer to family.

In honour of Sue, donations made to the church in support of Ukraine will be received throughout the month of September.

Following the service we welcome you to gather with us for a time of fellowship, coffee and cookies.

### Saying Goodbye to Sue Heald

The St Andrews family will be saying goodbye to an integral member at the end of July. Sue Heald has been an unwavering supporter of the church's community for most of her life while living in Thunder Bay. Over the years, she has been involved in so many aspects of the church's work through her many leadership roles and volunteer work.

Sue set the standard for youth group programming and for church camp. Life-long friendships were forged and lasting memories were made at the many church camps, retreats, 30-hour famines, trips to youth conferences, and mission trips that Sue spearheaded. From her years on Session to the countless shortbread baking marathons, she will be impossible to replace.

Although we wish her and her family all the best in her new journey, we also hope to see her visit from time to time—even if only by zoom!

*Derek Butters*



## GUEST WORSHIP LEADERS

July 16 - Rev. Bert Vancook

July 23 - Rev. Jeff Andrews

July 30 - Rev. Kerry McLaughlin

## SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

Sunday services will begin at 10:00am

## SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - 8:30am - 12:30pm

Tuesday-Friday - 9:00am - 1:00pm

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

The church office will be closed from July 17-21. There will be no Worship Service videos during the month of July while Rev. Joyce is on vacation.

Please visit our website for past videos or you may wish to visit the following Worship Services, as curated by Rev. Joyce.

Worship in our community

[Trinity Live | Trinity United](#)

Worship in our region

[Westminster Presbyterian Church Sault Ste Marie Ontario Canada \(westminsterchurch.ca\)](#)

Worship in Ontario

[St. Andrew's Church – A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada \(standrewstontario.org\)](#)

Worship in British Columbia

[St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Nanaimo \(standrewsnanaimo.ca\)](#)

A Contemporary Service of Worship from Family Church of Heritage Green - also a PCC church  
[\(26\) June 18, 2023 | Live Service | The Church Will Be Resurrected | 1 Corinthians 15 | Family Church - YouTube](#)

Have a blessed and safe summer!

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev. Pamela Hogewoning for leading us in worship, these last two Sundays, while Rev. Joyce is away on vacation.

*stay safe*

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

The only right stewardship is that which is tested by the rule of love.

*John Calvin - theologian, pastor, reformer*

Offerings can be sent via etransfer to [offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net](mailto:offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net)





I hadn't planned to do any writing during my time of vacation, but some things are just too important to miss. Now there are many people who have had a significant impact on the life and work of the congregation. In fact, each person who calls St. Andrew's their home church brings something special, a gift, that they share with all of us. Still, there are times when it is important to let someone know just what they mean to us, so today at St. Andrew's we are celebrating Sue Heald. Sue grew up in this church, has volunteered her time and has worked as staff. Many have known her for years, my introduction happened nearly ten years ago when I came to be the minister at St. Andrew's. Sue has been an Elder on Session for many years and her involvement and leadership in this role has been significant. Her concern for the viability and vitality of the congregation has always been evident and as such Sue has given time and energy to the work of the church. I have appreciated her ability to mobilize people and resources as well as work as part of a team. I have leaned on her to guide me through processes when I needed help to see the steps necessary to get a project through from beginning to end. This was particularly evident for me when the recognition wall was developed and created to honour those who have given generously to the work of getting the sanctuary ceiling repaired when it had collapsed back in 2013. When Covid hit and we wondered how to make up for the lost funding that came from the annual Tea and Bazaar, Sue stepped up and led a team to bake and sell shortbread from 2020 through 2022. This effort alone has brought approximately \$9,000.00 in each of year toward the life of the congregation. Sue has also been the one to organize communion needed for special services throughout the year. The ways she has supported people and the congregation at large would take pages of writing and stories.

Personally, I have enjoyed and appreciated each of the conversations I have had with Sue. I have come to trust the wisdom she brings to me, the Session, and the work of the congregation. I am thankful for her friendship and support. Sue, I will miss you. You are valuable beyond measure. May God continue to work in, with, and through you, as you leave St. Andrew's and all of us to bless others with your friendship, wisdom, energy, and insight. You are loved.

*Rev. Joyce Yanishewski*

### **Farewell to Sue Heald**

Sue Heald is a lifelong member of St. Andrew's. Her Dad was an Elder on Session, organised Communion, her mom taught Fun and Fitness for many years. They were both very involved in many different areas of the church.

Sue contributed significantly in many ways to the life and growth of St. Andrew's 'during her employment here with the support of the congregation and Session.

Bible study happened at Breakaway, a group of young women meeting weekly. Childcare was provided by a dedicated group of church volunteers. It was a time to learn and share with each other.

Camp Duncan was a summer highlight for the campers, their counsellors, the cooks, nurses and the many volunteers all under the watchful eye of Sue.

Several Mission Trips happened mostly funded by the sale of shortbread, baked, packaged and sold so that the youth of this congregation can explore and experience the world beyond.

Mexico... Tijuana, Winnipeg.... Habitat for Humanity, El Salvador connecting with Rev Jim Patterson, Havana.... Cuba. Triennium at Perdue University. Not to mention sleigh rides, volunteering in the community and within the church.

How can we forget Journey to Bethlehem. The props, the costumes, the lights, the borrowed live animals. The cleanup. It was amazing! Again, the congregation was supportive and the volunteers plentiful.

Sue is organized, methodical, reliable and gets the job done on time.

Shortbread is her thing to do. Her presence on Session will be missed by all.

You will be missed, and we wish you and Ken all the best as you set up house and home in Southern Ontario with Luke, Kelly and their families nearby.

Thank you on behalf of Session and all of us at St Andrew's for all that you have done for St. Andrew's, the Youth Group and all the lives you have touched.

*Jean Rawana*