# 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 help. We

invite guests to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



The annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 21, 2016, CONGREGATIONAL following the service. To stay informed, please plan to attend.

The Seekers group will host a

fundraising Chili Luncheon after the service and prior to the meeting.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children, and are available in the main office.



# **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: Robert, Rhonda & Morgan Legros; Mavis Lehto; Michael, Darlene, Jordan & Olivia Lehto; Elizabeth, Donald, Benjamin & Rebecca Lemieux; Joy Lempiala; Bryan, Melissa & Shyene Lesovich.



## **BABY FOOD DRIVE**

Mission and Outreach Committee is asking the congregation for donations of canned baby food for the RFD (Regional Food Distribution) food bank. Children are the most vulnerable segment of Thunder Bay's poor. The drive will go until March 6th. Your support is appreciated.

#### Week of Feb. 1-5, 2016

Mon	Fun & Fitness	9:30 a.m.
Tue	Seekers	7:30 p.m.
Wed	Fun & Fitness	9:30 a.m.
	Camp Committee	12:00 noon
	Fac. & Finance	1:00 p .m

## WHEN IN HOSPITAL...

When visiting at the Regional Hospital Rev. Joyce only has access to a list of patients designated St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Unfortunately, only 40% of the patients have any



religion listed. In order to receive a visit when in the hospital, please have a family member or friend notify the church office that you are in the hospital and would appreciate a visit.



St. Andrew's Presbyterian will be hosting a Dinner Auction on April 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m. at the Columbus Centre (corner of May & Arthur Streets) in support of the Restoration Committee and ongoing efforts to renovate and repair St. Andrew's. This very popular evening of fellowship and good fun was last held in 2013, and will consist of a Live Auction led by auctioneer Peter Kantola, and a Silent Auction led by Jan Sewell.

Tickets are \$28 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. We ask for your support by purchasing tickets for this night of great food and entertainment PLUS we ask that you consider donating a prize for auction (examples include: art, antiques, service items, restaurant/hotel gift certificates, new tools/tackle/sporting goods/ entertainment items etc.)

Contact: John Mason at 620-3836 to buy your tickets, and please feel free to invite friends and neighbours and donate a prize. Thank you!

# From Rev. Joyce

Oh my goodness! Christmas has just ended and I am staring Lent in the face. Easter is coming early this year. Easter Sunday lands on March 27, which means that Ash Wednesday is February 10,



marking the first day of Lent. On a completely different line of thinking, I have been frustrated by my lack of discipline in my prayer life and know that I am someone who needs accountability to others; to create strong healthy routines, I need to change things over a period of time.

So those two things came together for me a few weeks ago, as I was thinking ahead to Lent and struggling over my prayer life. I came to wonder if others might be willing to walk with me in my prayer life for the season of Lent. Forty days of Prayer. It has made me wonder what might change in my life and ministry if I committed to that time daily, and what might change in the lives of others and this community of faith if there were others praying throughout Lent.

So I am putting it out there. If you are willing to commit to praying through Lent and helping to keep me accountable in my prayer life, I would love to hear from you.

You can leave a note in my mail box at the office to let me know that you are in this with me, or you can call or text me at 632-8348 or email at minister.standrewspres@tbaytel.net.

## **FACILITIES & FINANCE**

Where does your money go?

The Presbytery of Superior Annual dues for 2016 are \$5,145.00



#### THUNDER BAY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

The Thunder Bay Youth Symphony Orchestra

will present:



#### For the Love of Music, a Symphonic Valentine

on Sunday, February 14, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Community Auditorium. Tickets are \$20 for

adults, and \$10 for students and children.

#### PRESBYTERIANS SHARING Stay related to us; keep us in your prayers



Thank you for your gifts! Thank you for your generous gifts to Presbyterians Sharing! Together with Presbyterians across Canada, you are encouraging and equipping congregational renewal and development; supporting inner city, native and refugee ministries; sending mission personnel to work with our international partners; developing innovative ministries for children and youth; equipping ministers and lay leaders to do effective ministry; bringing people together to share experiences and learn new skills through events like Stewards by Design and Canada Youth; supporting healing and reconciliation ministries... and so much more! As we participate together in the life-giving mission of God, we are making a difference, in Canada and around the world.

Presbyterians Sharing is making a difference!

## YOUTH GROUP MEETING

There will be a youth group meeting on Sunday, February 7, 2016 at First Presbyterian from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. All youth grades 5 and up



are welcome. If you have any questions please contact: Will Newton (newton9455@hotmail.com) or Sarah Campbell

(sarahcampbell@hotmail.com).

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**Church Office Hours** Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.