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

CHOIR PRACTICE



You'll Be Glad

The choir will begin practices again starting Sun. Sept. 10. The Choir practises for one hour at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays and then sings during the 11:00 service. Call the Choir Director, Nancy

You Did! Call the Choir Director, Nancy Wallace, at 623-4907 if you would like to join the choir, or just come out to take part. You only need enthusiasm for sacred music and the church.

AFRICAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Lakeview Presbyterian Church, 278 Camelot St. will be hosting the internationally acclaimed African Children's Choir in concert on Sun. Sept. 17 at 7:00

p.m. This choir will melt your heart with their charming smiles, beautiful voices and lively African songs and dances. The program features wellloved children's songs, traditional Spiritual & Gospel favourites. The concert is free and open to all. Donations will be accepted at the performance to support African



Children's Choir programs, such as education, care and relief and development programs.

MISSION & OUTREACH—FOOD BANK



September means "business as usual" for schools, clubs and activities at St. Andrew's. September also marks the beginning of our Fall Food Goal drive. While St. Andrew's is known as the "baby food church", pasta, pasta sauce, tuna, etc. are always welcome.

Week of September 10 — 16, 2017

Sun. 10—Welcome Back Sunday—11 am
Mon. 11—Fun & Fitness—9:30 am CORE—11 am
Tues. 12—Evening Guild—12:30 pm Session Meeting—7 pm
Wed. 13—Fun & Fitness—9:30 am
Fri. 15—Presbytery of Superior—5 pm
Sun. 17—Blood Pressure Clinic after service

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:



Earl & Joan Sutton; Kathryn Sutton; Margaret Terkelsen; Kathryn & Arthur Towell; Mary Ann, Bill, Katie & Julia Tuomi.

PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

Administering change

Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing help administer the Avondbloem Fund, established by George and Evelyn van Beek in 1981. This legacy gift supports practical, creative PCC projects that spread the message of Christ. The Raw Carrot Soup Enterprise, a ministry of Paris Presbyterian Church, received a grant to help grow its innovative work. Staff members-who are on social assistance or living with barriers to traditional employment—prepare healthy. homemade soups and stews that are sold in the Paris community and beyond. Proceeds from the sales provide their salaries. Currently, eight people are employed—and two more Raw Carrots will be opening in the next year! This initiative builds self-confidence, provides job training and

job creation—a living example of Christ's message of love and hope.

Presbyterians Sharing supports dreams as they are turned into reality



From Rev. Joyce,

As I write today I am feeling rather conflicted. I am so excited for the fall and all the possibilities for ministry, Sunday School, the nursery, groups back meeting and working together. I could not be more pleased to be a part of the ministry of St. Andrew's. But this morning I have also found that I

morning I have also found that I am feeling somewhat overwhelmed. sad. and spent emotionally. I have had to spend a lot of energy on being with people who are in need of support for various reasons. Individuals who are struggling with the consequences of their decisions, or dealing with family pressures. Then of late, coming to St. Andrew's for myself and all staff is an exercise in patience and concern as more and more homeless people are finding refuge in the alcove at the top of the sanctuary steps outside, in the back lane, and on the steps of the fire escape. Just this morning police and the ambulance responded to my call when I had concern for a young man that I could not rouse. It was not in his or my best interests to leave him without checking out if he was okay and so as much as we try to avoid calling 911 and taking the police and paramedics away from other important calls, sometimes it is unavoidable.

So, my heart is heavy with concern. Concern for the homeless who find refuge on the steps of the church, but also concern for our staff, volunteers, and those who are just walking the sidewalk or taking the bus. It is in this that I must and do find my hope in God first of all, but also in each person who supports the ministry of St. Andrew's. It is because of each of you that we are able to do ministry in this place, it is through you that we will make a difference for all people

whose lives intersect with ours here at St. Andrew's. I pray that God will guide us, teach us, soften our hearts, but also help us to act to make change in our city. Thank you for calling me to ministry with you here. I am blessed to be with you.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.



QUOTES WORTH REPEATING

It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see. —Henry David Thoreau



Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail. —Ralph Waldo Emerson

In the End, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends. —Martin Luther King, Jr.

SELF DEFENCE CLASS

The Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre will be holding a self-defence class on Mon. Sept. 11 from 6 to 9 pm in the Auditorium. This event is FREE but pre-registration is required. Call Twyla or Suzanne at 807-684-3471 for more information or to register.



CONFEDERATION COLLEGE 50TH ANNIVERSARY—1967-2017

Homecoming weekend will be held from Thurs. Sept. 21 to Sun. Sept. 24 and will include a



Community Partners Evening, an Alumni Speakers Series, a Community Festival and will finish with a 50th Birthday Brunch. Confederation College invites all students, employees, alumni, retirees along with the entire community to register and come out and celebrate this once

in a lifetime event.

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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am Office Hours: Mon. to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

–Mother Theresa (1910–1997)