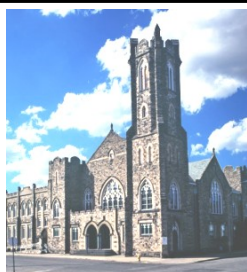


St. Andrew's News

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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.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Your support through your Mission & Outreach committee is changing lives! Here are notes of thanks we received from just a few of the organizations that the annual budget and fundraising activities allow us to help.

"Your gift will help save the lives of children, enable teenage girls to attend school, and improve the health of all who drink safe water from their new well." – Jim Gehrels, President, Lifewater Canada.

"With your help Shelter House is providing men, women and youth who are homeless in Thunder Bay with basic daily needs: emergency shelter, showers, food, transportation and advocacy to help them access housing..." – Michelle Jordan, Acting Executive Director, Shelter House.

"The Gospel passage proclaimed was that of the Good Samaritan: while others pass by, the neighbour stops and helps. Your donation is the act of a neighbour." – Paul Clarke, Executive Director, Action Réfugiés Montreal.



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:



Laurel Forshaw; Inga, Ray & Bryce Foster; Susan Franchi and Andrew & Olivia Colosimo; Chelsea, Michael, Addison & Harper Fraser; Don & Mary Lynne Fulton; Bill Fummerton.

GREETERS

The Seekers members will be greeting in February. Thank you for providing this service.



Week of January 21—27, 2018

Sun. 21—Youth Group—7:00 p.m.

Mon. 22—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

Core Group—11:00 a.m.

Tues. 23—St. Aidan's—11:30 a.m.

Wed. 24—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

Thurs. 25—Prayers in Chapel—2:00 p.m.

DULCISONO PRESENTS

Dulcisono Women's Choir presents "Celebremus! A Canadian Choral Celebration" on Sat. Jan. 27, 2018 at 4 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and children. Tickets are available at, Finnport, Rollasons, Calico Coffeehouse, and St. Andrew's Church or through Dulcisono.Choir Facebook page.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are still needed for the afternoons of Tues. Feb. 6 and Wed. Feb. 7 to help with the Conservatory of Music exams that are taking place in our Sanctuary. Please contact the church office at 622-4273 for



PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

"I hope more people like me will be helped by this clinic"

While working at her tailoring shop in Nepal, Sita noticed her hands were starting to feel numb and looked strangely white. As the numbness worsened, Sita grew very sick and weak. Unfortunately, the doctors she visited were unable to diagnose her illness. The future looked a little brighter when Sita learned she was pregnant and eventually delivered a healthy baby girl—but the onset of a severe fever shortly after shattered her fragile hope. Sita tried one last hospital where she was diagnosed with leprosy and referred to the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Banke Clinic for treatment. There, a hopeful journey to recovery got its start. "I am getting good treatment, nutritious food, and care from the staff," reports Sita.



PWS&D responds to provide life-saving medical care

From Rev. Joyce,

There is one subject in churches that often seems to be off limits in general conversation. It can be spoken about at committee meetings, during Facility and Finance, Session, and Annual Budget meetings, but rarely does it seem that people appreciate hearing about money from the pulpit or reading about it in the newsletter. It is as if such conversations mean that the church is after their money, needing to do more fundraising, or have little business questioning people's offerings. But our offering is part of a broader conversation of what is called stewardship.



It might be worth talking about what is the difference between fund-raising and stewardship as on the surface it appears that these words are interchangeable. Fund-raising is what organizations or individuals do to generate the necessary funds to achieve a specific goal or goals. Most of these fund-raising efforts are worthwhile and important endeavors and are worthy of our support. Stewardship includes leading generous lives, how we use all the resources at our command to *strengthen our faith* and make the world a better place. As part of stewardship our offering is an act of worship. Let's make this a conversation we can have, just like any other in the church. May the conversation begin!

FEBRUARY 11TH!!!!

This is the date of our Annual Meeting where your attendance is very important! This is an opportunity to look back on the previous year and plan for the upcoming year.

It is also the date for last event hosted by the Evening Guild—a tasty coffee hour.



And last, but not least, February 11th has been designated as Heritage Sunday. Please celebrate and share your heritage by adding to our worship either through prayer, song, or an item to decorate the sanctuary. See Rev. Joyce if you wish to celebrate in this way. If you have traditional clothing, please wear it that day. If you have food to share that can help us to enjoy the taste of your heritage, the Evening Guild will be happy to serve that as part of the coffee hour. Let's celebrate!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power (Ex 15:6)



A joint service of worship with St. Paul's Anglican, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic, First Wesley United and St. Andrew's Presbyterian churches will be held at First Wesley United today at 3 p.m.

MICHAEL CAPON CONCERT

The Thunder Bay Centre of the Royal Canadian College of Organists is happy to host a concert and workshop. The concert is on Tues. Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at First-Wesley United Church. Tickets are available at Calico's & Music World and at the door. Adults \$15 & Students/Seniors \$10.

The Workshop for Church Musicians, "Leading Hymns & Songs at the Organ," is also at First-Wesley Church on Tues. Feb. 6 at 1:00 p.m.

HOGARTH RIVERVIEW MANOR

We have a volunteer opportunity that will allow you to help in the community and with a ministry of St. Andrew's. On the 2nd Tues. of the month from Sept. to June, porters are needed to help transport residents to the St. Andrew's morning service at Hogarth Riverview. If you think this is just what you are looking for, contact Rev. Joyce.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. *2 Corinthians 9:8*
Randy Alcorn, minister and author



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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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