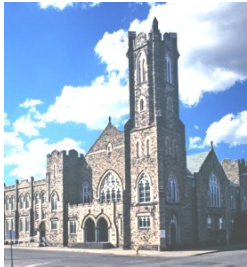


# St. Andrew's News

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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:



**Norman & Donalda Galloway; Judy Gardner; Cheryl, Ashley, Carli & Emily Garrett; Kelly, Anna Autumn, Ashlyn & Noah Garton; Terry & Marilyn Garton; Andrea Gemmell.**

## GREETERS



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

## Week of January 28—February 3, 2018

**Mon. 29**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

Core Meeting—11:00 a.m.

**Wed. 31**—Fun & Fitness—9:30 a.m.

**Thurs. Feb. 1**—Prayers in Chapel—2:00 p.m.

Caring & Contact—1:00 p.m.

## CHECK OUT THE HERITAGE WALL!



Once again, the Heritage Committee is presenting the "Who Are They" contest. See if you can match the pictures with the numbers.

## FRAGRANCE FREE REMINDER

For the health and consideration of other parishioners who attend this space of worship, please refrain from using perfume, cologne and other scented beauty products. Thank you.



## SEEKERS MEETING

The next Seekers Meeting will be held on Tues. Feb. 6 at 7:30 pm in the Eleanor Patterson Room. Come out and join us. Everyone is welcome.

## PRESBYTERIAN SHARING

### Working with international mission partners

Effective mission partnership is a covenant relationship between people who are striving to bring about God's realm of justice and peace. In 2017, gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* provided some of the PCC's international partners with 30 grants totaling \$320,000. These grants supported Bible translation in Nigeria and Mauritius; women's pastoral programs in Guatemala; biblical, theological and pastoral training in Mauritius and Guatemala; theological seminaries in Lebanon, Malawi and Romania; lay training centres in Ghana and Malawi; refugee programs in Lebanon and Palestine; and medical centres in India. Mission and vital world-wide ministry partnerships that put people first happen because of the faithful generosity of Presbyterians across Canada. Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* allow our church to be with those on the margins and change lives around the world.



*Presbyterians Sharing supports international partnerships because they matter*

## From Rev. Joyce,

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines stewardship as “the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care.”

As Christians, we understand this in terms of Biblical stewardship, believing that all we have is from God and we and all people are the one's entrusted with the careful and responsible management of all that God has given. We believe that our very lives are a gift from God, and so it follows that all we receive in our lives is also a gift from God. Time is a gift from God, so how we spend it matters. Our talents, those things we love to do, know we are good at, and our work, are a gift from God, so how we share/use our lives matter. Our treasure is a gift from God, so how we use the money that we earn or receive matters.

We are given stewardship of creation, so how we exploit or watch over it matters. We are given stewardship over the church both locally, nationally and world wide, so how we treat our relationships with others in the church matters. We see our buildings as a place that God resides so our stewardship of the building also reflects on our relationship with God. We understand that as part of stewardship we are called to be a church that teaches and reaches out to others, those things require time, talent, and treasure and all of us are called to provide all three. To say one gives of their time and/or talent so they don't need to worry about giving money is to drop a ball so to speak. Stewardship is about caring and about taking responsibility as individuals and as a church. You are important in the stewardship relationship. I pray that you will consider how God is calling you to be stewards giving thanks for the gift of life that is ours.



## 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 a 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.

## 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!



## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say ‘thank you?’

*William A. Ward, writer (1921-1994)*



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**Sunday Worship - 11:00 am**

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

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

