



St. Andrew's News

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November 25th, 2018



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.



IOOF Pancake Breakfast

The IOOF will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast following Worship.

Adults \$8.00

Children 12yrs and under are free.



BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Reminder that the Blood Pressure Clinic is after **today's** service.



Advent Journey Choral Music for Advent

Thunder bay Community Choir
Directed by Mary McGhee

Accompanists:

Joy Fahrenbruck, Diana Hannahford-Wilcox

Special Guest Musicians and Bells United

Sunday **December 9, 2018** at 4:00pm
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

Donations will be accepted in support of
Parkinson Canada

WEEK OF NOV 25 - DEC 2, 2018

Sun 25 - IOOF Pancake Breakfast @ 12:00 pm

Sun 25 - Blood Pressure Clinic @ 12:00 pm

Mon 26 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30 am

Tues 27 - St. Aiden's @ 11:30 am

Wed 28 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30 am

Wed 28 - Music Pups @ 6:15 pm

Thurs 29 - Music Pups @ 11:00 am

Thurs 29 - Prayers in the Chapel @ 1:15 pm

~ Advent & Christmas Schedule ~

Worship Series: Carols of Christmas

Sunday December 2 (Advent I)

11:00 A.M. - Worship with Communion

Sunday December 9 (Advent II)

11:00 A.M. - Worship Service

4:00 P.M. - Thunder Bay Community Choir
Presents Advent Journey Concert

Sunday December 16 (Advent III)

11:00 A.M. - White Gift Sunday Worship

Sunday December 23 (Advent IV)

11:00 A.M. - Worship Service

Monday December 24 - Christmas Eve

7:00 P.M. - Family Candlelight Service

10:00 P.M. - Candlelight Service with Communion

Sunday December 30

11:00 A.M. - Wassail Service (cider & cookies)

PIPE ORGAN FUNDRAISING

This Casavant Pipe Organ was originally installed in 1909 and rebuilt in 1929 to change from

Tubular Pneumatic to electro-pneumatic, add trombone, and add a roll-top console case.

Recognized in 2006 it is a historical instrument worthy of citation, now in need of maintenance to make sure it continues for another 100 years. We

have raised \$8,355

towards our **\$20,000** goal, Thank You!

We continue to need your help.



St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

All are welcome

Sunday December 9, 2018

Special Guest Appearance

SANTA CLAUS



Join us downstairs after church for fun & fellowship.
Coffee, tea, juice provided.

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE



Visit and like our **Facebook Page** and keep up to date with news, events, and programs offered.

Visit us today by searching St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Thunder Bay on Facebook

From Rev. Joyce



St. Andrew's has just gone through a very busy time with all the preparations that went into the Tea and Bazaar on November 17th and then the day itself where so much energy and love went into the hospitality of the day. It is a big push to get everything ready in just a few days for some things, and weeks for others. This is important work and provides much needed funds toward the ministry of the congregation. A huge thank you to those who are so able and willing to make this happen. There are also those who volunteer in regular rotations for other important work in the church that often goes unnoticed, but are vital to how we manage things, particularly on Sunday mornings. Over time people have had to give up certain volunteer positions because of ill health and/or age and that has opened up opportunities for others to share in the work of the church in ways they may not have thought of before. Here are some ways you may feel God is calling on you to participate in the life and work of St. Andrew's.

Greeters – We have changed the way we are organizing how we greet people on Sunday mornings. Ushers and greeters have been rolled into one group whose purpose is to greet people as they enter the sanctuary on Sunday morning and provide attendees with the bulletin. At time you may also be called upon to help with taking up the offering. This is a commitment for one month at a time and you can volunteer for as many months as you would like. John Mason heads up this group so you can speak with him directly or with me.

Counters – Every Sunday after worship a group of four people gather up the offering and make sure that it is recorded and deposited. There are four teams who count three months out of the year. We are looking for two people to join the February, June, October teams. No worries if you are away a week or two, there are people willing to spare. Connect with me on this if you are interested.

Communion Preparer – We have a communion service seven times a year. For each service there is a need for three to four people to help prepare the elements of bread and juice and set up the communion table, as well as to help with clean up afterwards. One does not need to volunteer for all services but if there were a roster of people to call on for this work it would be most helpful. If you are interested in this you can speak to Sue Heald who is the team leader or me.

Scripture Readers – If you would like the opportunity to participate directly in worship there is always scripture reading! There is a roster that you can check out in the front office. If you happen to sign up please also let Shaundra, our office administrator, know that you have done so.

May God continue to bless our work and our worship!

PWS&D MISSION MOMENT Love letters in the Archives?

Did you know that you can find love letters among the thousands of documents housed in The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Archives? Last year the Archives received a gift of 73 beautifully preserved handwritten letters that revealed a year-long courtship over many miles between Dr. McQueen and his future wife, Miss Catherine Robertson of Strabane, Ontario. The Rev. McQueen served at First Presbyterian Church in Edmonton, arriving in 1887 and remaining for 43 years. Dr. McQueen was the only person to serve twice as Moderator of the General Assembly. Miss Robertson served as a missionary in Canada with the Women's Missionary Society. David and Catherine's exchanges date from September 1889 – September 1890. Through beautiful script containing poetry and prose, their growing love for one another is revealed as is their draw to western Canada and a mutual commitment to serve the church.

*Presbyterians Sharing helps connect
Presbyterians with their rich history*



PRAYER INVITATION

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: Brian & Donna, Ben, Claire Scoging; Judy Sennett; Jan Sewell; Don Shanks; Donald & Meghan Shanks; Viola Shanks; William Shanks; Leslie Shanks-Lalime

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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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