



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.



WEEK OF MAR. 24 - 31, 2019

Mon 25 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
 Tues 26 - St. Aidan's @ 11:30am
 Wed 27 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
 Wed 27 - Lenten Service @ 12:10pm
 Wed 27 - Music Pups @ 5:30pm
 Thurs 28 - Music Pups @ 11:00am
 Thurs 28 - Prayers in the Chapel @ 1:15pm

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: Jennifer Larocque, Lexi Lu Stewart, Cohen Russel; Tessa & Curtis, Bailey, Shayna, Melanie Larson; Jack & Lois Laughton; Fiona, Richard Lawrence; Nathan & Mary Beth, Elisabeth, Benjamin Lawrence; Don LeCocq; Robert & Rhonda, Morgan Legros; Michael & Darlene, Jordan, Olivia Lehto

EASTER MEMORIAL BOOKLET

It's time to be thinking about Easter, and the annual Memorial Booklet. If you would like your loved ones remembered in the booklet, please consider donating to the flower fund. To ensure the names get in the booklet, please advise the office of name(s) and proper spelling.



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



The Session of St. Andrew's is putting forward a call for nominations for elders from March 17th until April 7th. If you feel that someone in the congregation is a possible candidate for ordination to Eldership, please forward their name to Rev. Joyce or the Clerk of Session, John Mason. Nominations must be in writing and made by at least two persons, either separately or together. *Sealed* nominations may be left with the secretary. There is no formal nomination form. This is an important part of how the Presbyterian Church in Canada functions. Remember this is a term commitment, not for life. Please take seriously the whispering that God may be placing on your heart about eldership, for yourself or another.

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 are still waiting on final numbers from the Organ Concert, but we have raised approximately \$14,580.00 towards our **\$20,000** goal, Thank You!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Sunday April 14

11:00 A.M. - Palm/Passion Sunday

Thursday April 18

7:00 P.M. - Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

Friday April 19

11:00 A.M. - Good Friday Service

Sunday April 21

11:00 A.M. - Easter Sunday Service with Communion

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Beginning in March, mid-week Lenten Services will be held each Wednesday 12:10pm – 12:30pm in the Chapel of St. Andrew's. If you so choose, bring a lunch, and after worship those gathered can share fellowship with one another as we eat lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided. The April 10th service is followed by Lunch with a Difference in which a full meal is served.

March 27 - I AM the Door

April 3 - I AM the Good Shepherd

April 10 - I AM the Resurrection and the Life

LIFEWATER CANADA ANNUAL BANQUET

Tickets are \$35 each or a table of 8 for \$280

May 3, 2019 at 5:30pm

Italian Cultural Center 132 Algoma St. S.

Call 807-622-4848 or Email info@lifewater.ca

ORGAN FUNDRAISER

We will be taking requests for music for worship services. If you have a hymn, prelude, offertory, or postlude that you would like to hear during a service, please call or email the Office Administrator.

A donation of \$20 per request is suggested.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

12 THINGS CHILDREN MISS WHEN THEY ARE NOT IN THE SANCTUARY (10 of 12)



Gathering experiences with yearly worship traditions such as advent wreaths, Chrismon trees, changing colors, ashes, palm parades, trumpets at Easter.



Yes, children at times wiggle, make an amazing amount of noise, and often seem to be enduring rather than participating in the congregation's worship. Because of this parents and even whole congregations sometimes decide to keep the children out of the sanctuary "until they are older." Yet, children, even with all their squirming and disrupting, benefit from sharing in the congregation's worship and we are blessed through them.

<http://worshippingwithchildren.blogspot.com/2012/11/12-things-children-miss-when-they-are.html>

A PCC MISSION MOMENT

Honouring Indigenous Art

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Picton, ON is building relationships with Indigenous people through the celebration of Indigenous art and culture. The church is now home to the largest Indigenous mural on a church in Canada.

The congregation received permission by award-winning Métis visual artist and author Christi Belcourt to reproduce her Art Gallery of Ontario commissioned piece, *Wisdom of the Universe*. A team of Toronto muralists spent one week recreating the 37'x 36' mural on the church's north exterior wall. The entire mural is comprised of dots to represent beadwork, which is a common theme in much of Belcourt's work.

Presbyterians Sharing supports healing and reconciliation initiatives

From Rev. Joyce



A number of years ago St. Andrew's chose to move to have term eldership. It basically means that elders serve a six-year term and then they can take a leave from the Session or have their name stand for another election. It is also an opportunity to pay attention and consider if there are members of the congregation who may be gifted to lead alongside other elders on the team, we call the Session. The role of Elder has many nuances, but here are few things that may be helpful to know. The following comments come from a pamphlet entitled, *Becoming an elder in the Presbyterian Church in Canada*.

"Any person who is a member of the church and who seeks to grow in Christian faith might be a suitable elder. An elder is not expected to be perfect, to have an unswerving faith, to have all the answers, or to be elderly in age! An elder receives training, learns from other elders, and grows as a Christian in the role. Being an elder is a spiritual calling that can be challenging, interesting, and fulfilling. It is an experience of ongoing learning and faith development and service. Elders use their God-given gifts to serve and strengthen God's church, helping to lead it forward in its mission to announce the good news to the world."

If you feel God is calling you to the role of Elder in our congregation, or you can think of someone that you feel may be a good candidate for this role, please write their name on a paper, sign and seal it, and drop it off at the office.

May God guide us in this process and bless us with gifted elders to serve.

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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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