



St. Andrew's News

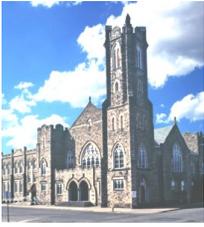
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November 17th, 2019

Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



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.



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: Don & Mary Lynne Fulton; Bill Fummerton; Norman & Donald Galloway; Judy Gardner; Cheryl, Ashley, Carli, Emily Garrett; Kelly & Anna, Autumn, Ashlyn, Noah Garton; Terry & Marilyn Garton; Teddy Gemmel & Cindy Kissen; Jamie & Mairi Gerow; Seonaid Gerow; Gerald & Lori, Michael, Scott Gosselin; Peggy Graham; Ken & Elaine Haggerty

TEA & BAZAAR

The annual Tea & Bazaar will be held on **Saturday November 23** from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Tea tickets are \$7.00 and are available in the front office. Admission to the Bazaar is free.

There will be baked goods, crafts, jewellery, collectibles, a Christmas room and...



PICTURES WITH SANTA!

~Everyone is Welcome~

SEEKERS

The Seekers group are asking for used jewelry donations for the jewelry table at the upcoming Bazaar. Items can be left in the church office marked "Seekers". Many thanks for all your support in the previous years.



HERITAGE WALL

Check out the Heritage Wall! Christmas is coming and there is now a new collection on the wall highlighting Christmas celebrations past and present.



WEEK OF NOV 17 - 24, 2019

- Sun 17 - Girl Guide Cookie Sales @ 12:00pm
- Mon 18 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
- Mon 18 - Worship Committee Meeting @ 1:00pm
- Wed 20 - Fun & Fitness @ 9:30am
- Wed 20 - Music Pups @ 5:30pm
- Thurs 21 - Music Pups @ 11:00am
- Sat 23 - Tea & Bazaar @ 1:00pm
- Sun 24 - Blood Pressure Clinic @ 12:00pm

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM: A DISPLAY OF NATIVITY COLLECTIONS

The Seekers will be hosting a collection of nativities on **December 7, 2019**. If you or anyone you know has a nativity set they'd like to loan out, we would love to feature it in the collection.

Please leave your name and phone number with our front office staff or email the Office Administrator.

All nativity sets can be dropped off on **Dec. 6** and will be returned to their owners after the event.



Girl Guide Cookies

The Girl Guides will be selling cookies after worship today for \$5 a box

ST. ANDREW'S SHEPHERD'S PIE

The chefs of the Mission & Outreach Committee have once again donned their aprons to prepare yummy St. Andrew's Shepherd's Pie for you. Just heat, serve and enjoy!

These mouth-watering dinners will go quickly so be sure to claim one or more to share or enjoy on your own. To pre-order, add your name to the sign up sheet posted outside the office.

Pick up at the bazaar **Saturday, November 23**.

The price is the same as last year, so single serving size is \$6 and the larger size, suitable for 2 - 3 persons, is \$12. You'll love them!

SHORTBREAD

We will start packing shortbread in tins for the bazaar on Thursday mornings in Rowand Hall, November 7th, 14th and 21st at 9:00am. Please bring your shortbread and/or come and help. New bakers are welcome. For the recipe or more information call Marian 577-1324.

ADVENT BOOK STUDY

You are invited to the 4 week book study which begins Wednesday Nov. 27 to Dec. 18, 2019 at 2pm @ our church.

We will be using the book by Walter Brueggemann titled Celebrating Abundance. It can be ordered through the church office for \$14.87.

Register today.

For further information please contact Rev. Joyce or Judy Persian @ 622-5215.

“Advent is not the kind of ‘preparation’ that involves shopping and parties and cards. Such illusions of abundance disguise the true craving of our weary souls. Advent is preparation for the demands of newness that will break the tired patterns of fear in our daily lives.”

—An excerpt from *Celebrating Abundance*

HOLIDAY CARD MAKING

On Saturday Nov. 30 at 9:30am, St. Mark's Anglican Church will be hosting a card making workshop. The fee is \$30. Contact Marlene Rogers at 939-1390 to register. Deadline to register is Nov. 23. Please bring double sided tape, liquid glue & scissors.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Whoever loves money never has money enough;
whoever loves wealth is never satisfied
with their income.

Ecclesiastes 5:10a

A PCC MISSION MOMENT

A Healthier Future

November 19 is World Toilet Day. Toilets are vital for improving sanitation and health in countries around the world. Without proper toilets, human waste can get into water sources, and killer diseases spread quickly. That's why the sudden loss of latrines in a disaster zone is such an urgent health issue. In Mulanje, Malawi, about 4,000 toilets were damaged by rising water levels produced by Cyclone Idai, which swept through southeastern Africa in March. In the wake of the storm, families in the region—especially children under five—faced an increased risk of contracting cholera and typhoid. PWS&D responded by helping local partners rebuild latrines. Now with safe and working toilets available, 2,600 families in the hardest hit areas are looking towards a healthier future.

PWS&D improves sanitation



From Rev. Joyce

Last week I had mentioned that there are many questions floating around. I am attempting to answer the questions I know about, one at a time, in the newsletter. Last week I addressed the work on the Donald St. side of the building, this week it is about music in worship while we look for a new organist.

As most are aware, Connor Curran resigned as organist at the end of October as he has taken up a new career path of plumbing. The time it takes to prepare during the week for Sunday morning worship is substantial, and Connor's long hours at work just did not make the two jobs compatible at this time. The search is underway for a new full-time organist for St. Andrew's. The organ is integral to worship at St. Andrew's and having the right person who can work well with the choir, choir director, and myself, plus bring the necessary skills and musicianship to worship that are needed, may take a little time for us to find. In the meantime, we have skilled musicians in our midst who are willing to help out with guitar and piano. There are also a few organists in the city who have indicated that they may be able to supply for us once in a while until all things are settled.

Most people are aware that transitions can be challenging in our personal lives and that is often multiplied when in a congregation. There are varying temperaments of patience, but it would be of great help to me, and all those working to find the best fit for our congregation, if patience and understanding were extended, along with a whole lot of prayer that God would bring the person he has prepared for us at this time, one who has just the right personality, creativity, and skill to make our worship together joyful for the congregation and God.

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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am

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