



St. Andrew's News

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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



PRAYERS FROM THE HEART

Life-giving God,
 Sometimes I just need to take a deep breath,
 breath to calm myself
 breath to focus
 breath to feel my body
 and know that I still feel
 breath to know your presence
 an invitation for the Holy Spirit to enter
 into my mind, body, and soul
 breath to know you present in the moment.

Thank you for my breath, for your breath
 breathed into humanity
 where we share the same air
 one person's breath becomes mine
 and mine theirs
 we are connected by our breath.

God who breathes life into your people
 and your creation, we give you thanks
 praise, glory and honor.

Amen.

Written by: Rev. Joyce Yanishewski

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

Sharing the Good News with Each Other

In only three years, the *Presbyterian Connection* newspaper has become a much-loved resource for the national denomination. The newspaper is distributed four times a year to churches and individuals across Canada. The mission of *Presbyterian Connection* is to equip leaders, connect congregations and missions, facilitate communication, and highlight denominational work. Sharing our successes and celebrating our ministries through stories, reflections, interviews and articles not only keeps congregations and Presbyterians continually informed and connected, but also strengthens our denominational ties across the country. Support from Presbyterians Sharing helps to ensure this important ministry continues.

Presbyterians Sharing shares the good news

RETURNING TO CHURCH (PART 1 of 2)

St. Andrew's has developed a plan for safe re-opening of the sanctuary for Sunday worship.

Following is an idea of what to expect...

You will be greeted outside by an usher as you approach the ramp entry of the church.

Upon arrival you will see a sandwich board with the information that has become familiar to many of us regarding a self-assessment. By entering you are essentially saying that you are well and have no symptoms of Covid-19. If you are not well, please refrain from attending worship for your sake and the health of all. There are lines on the concrete and in the building to help you stay socially distanced.

You will be required to wear a mask the entire time that you are in the building. If you do not have a mask you can pick up a cloth mask (some have been donated) or a disposable one. There is a limited supply so if you have your own mask it would be much appreciated to have you use it. Once in the entry, please take a moment to sanitize your hands with the sanitizer provided or using your own.

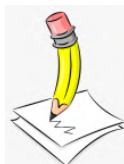
Continuing down the main hallway you will once again be greeted, this time by a person taking attendance before you enter into the sanctuary. This is a government requirement. Should there be a need for contact tracing we will have the necessary information.

As you enter the sanctuary you will immediately go to your left following the arrows on the carpet and head toward the communion table. There you will find an offering box and a printed version of the bulletin. Please take a bulletin, and should you be giving an offering, please deposit it in the offering box. There will not be a passing of the offering bags during the worship service.

Rev. Joyce Yanishewski
 On behalf of the Session of
 St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

SUBMIT YOUR WRITTEN WORK

If you would like to have your own poetry, stories or anecdotes featured in the newsletter please send your submissions to Rev. Joyce at, minister.standewspres@tbaytel.net



WORSHIP SERVICES

To continue to stay connected to the congregation, during this time, we have been uploading church services online. Please visit our Facebook page or our website to find a link to the Sunday Worship services.

<http://standrewspres-tbay.ca/>

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

The riches of life are to be shared. Life at its best is lived through giving, not getting; helping not hoarding.

Kennon Callahan (1936 -), pastor, author

COMMUNION SERVICE

Zoom Communion Service **tonight** at 8:00 p.m. Everyone connected with St. Andrew's Thunder Bay and on the email list will get an invite with a link to the service. All you need to do is have



something ready to drink (juice, wine, water) and something for bread (crackers, bread, bun, etc.) Rev. Joyce will lead participants through a short worship service with communion.

RETURNING TO ST. ANDREW'S

Return of in person Sunday Worship!

September 13 at 11:00 a.m.

Please refer to the article, *Returning to Church*, on the front of the newsletter for part one of the safe re-opening guidelines.



WAYS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF ST. ANDREW'S

e-transfer: offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

- If you have an offering (envelope) number with the church and you know it, be sure to include that and your full name in the Message box.
- For all others, please include your first and last names along with your full address in the message box so we can send you a donation receipt.

Website: You can donate by credit card using the "Donate Now" link on the website.

Preauthorized Remittance: This is a monthly automatic withdrawal from your bank account that can be set up with the bookkeeper. Email Barb at accounts.standrewspres@tbaytel.net to have a form sent to you.

Mail: You can mail in a donation to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 207 S. Brodie St. Thunder Bay, ON P7E 5X8. Or just drop it off in the mailbox at the church.

Thank you for supporting the life, ministry, and mission of St. Andrew's. You make a difference!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Hand-crafted shawls are available for gifting to anyone you know that may be experiencing difficult times in their lives.

The soft, warm wrap is a comforting reminder that others care about them.

We encourage you to contact Terry (577-5567) or Rev. Joyce (632-8348) to arrange to pick up a shawl. There is no charge for the shawls.



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