



St. Andrew's News

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October 4th, 2020

Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



PRAYERS FROM THE HEART

My dear and precious God,

I bask in your love and gratitude because of the endless love you give to us. Let us be mindful of Jesus this day, as if this is the only day we have.

Let us try to be mindful of each person in our lives and at the same time, of all persons on our earth.

How difficult it is my God to know you and to pray to you as often as we can; to look into your eyes and know that you are at the center of my being.

Through depression and pain I have learned of the practice of mindfulness and how it can help me to let go of stress and anxiety. Thank you my God for your many gifts and joy.

Written by: Jude Atherton

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

The church office is open again at its regular hours from 9am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.

Shaundra, our office admin, is back to work!

MISSION & OUTREACH FOOD BANK

Mission and Outreach will be holding a Food Bank Drive over the next 6 weeks, with the goal of helping to restock the Miles St Food bank shelves.



All donations of non-perishables gladly received at the church until October 31st. Baby food, pasta, sauce, canned tuna/salmon, pork and beans, Kraft Dinner.... are some of the well received items! Thank you.

SUNDAY REMIX

To stay connected to the congregation, we will upload a Sunday Remix online. These videos will be available Monday. Please visit our Facebook page or our website to find a link to the Sunday Remix. <http://standrewspres-tbay.ca/>

ZOOM SHORTBREAD BAKING SESSION

Thursday October 8th at 7pm

led by Kathie Pawlik

This will be a shortbread baking lesson for anyone who wants to learn or needs a refresher. Please register with our Office Admin Shaundra and you will be given a link the week of the Zoom Call.

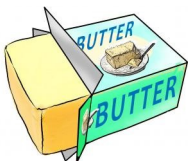
SHORTBREAD BAKERS

Many bakers make light work. For 200 lbs of butter, 10 baker means 20 lbs of butter each. If we can get 20 bakers, that's only 10 lbs each. Some will make more and some less. We appreciate whatever amount of baking you can do. Please contact our Office Admin Shaundra and let her know if you are able to bake. All baked shortbread should be packed in plastic bags in boxes or in cookie tins or airtight containers of some sort. If you want your container back, please label it. It will be kept frozen until it is packed by a separate group. All shortbread can be dropped off at the church during office hours or by arrangement.

BUTTER

Shortbread bakers can pick up butter as needed from the church. All butter taken from the freezer downstairs needs to be recorded on the sheet on top of the freezer.

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship.

Pope John Paul II (1920-2005)

SHORTBREAD SALES

Customers can e-transfer their shortbread payment to the church at offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net before pick-up or can pay cash upon pick-up. E-transfers must include "Shortbread" in the notes.

Curbside pickup will be available at the church

Thurs Nov 19th 5pm-8pm

Sat Nov 21st 10am-3pm

Sunday Nov 22nd noon-2pm

Cost \$5/dozen

Delivery can be arranged for extenuating circumstances only.

Customers need to know,

- a) total cost of their order
- b) pick-up arrangements.



From Joyce

After worship last Sunday a member of the congregation approached me and asked if the congregation could stand for the benediction. My answer, "Of course!" I was very thankful for the suggestion and also thankful that the person felt they could bring their idea to me. With the changes we have experienced, I find that input from others is very helpful. We have always stood up for the benediction, but without the congregational singing, I just never thought about it since we have been back in the sanctuary. The person also asked if I might be able to find another spot where the congregation could stand for a moment during worship, and so I am pondering that as well. In the Presbyterian tradition, the minister has oversight of and responsibility for worship, but I can tell you that I really value the imagination, thoughtfulness, and participation of others. So please, if you see ways that in person and/or online worship could be enhanced don't hesitate to connect with me. It will always be a conversation I welcome. We worship as a corporate body and though we experience worship differently, bringing to bear upon it our life experience and maybe even what just happened that morning or during the week, worship happens in community. This does not mean that worship can't happen elsewhere or when one is alone, but it most certainly happens when we come together to praise God, learn and grow in our faith, and to strengthen each other by our presence.

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

Making a Difference in the Lives of Women and Girls

Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church in Mistawasis Nehiyawak First Nation, Saskatchewan, holds a unique place within the history of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Not only is this church one of the oldest within our denomination, it is also the only PCC church located on a reserve. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing have enabled this congregation to faithfully provide ministry in the Mistawasis community. In addition to a yearly Vacation Bible School program and a women's craft club, Mistawasis Memorial PC has launched a new girls' empowerment program. After school, girls in grades 1-8 gather to learn about fitness and life skills. The prayer of this program is that these skills will help the girls live fulfilling lives.

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!

DONATIONS

Christmas may seem like a long way off but not really! We want you to consider, as in past years, generously supporting: Elizabeth Fry Society, the two women's shelters, Faye Peterson and Beendigen, and the Children's Aid Society. It is very simple this year; if you could please write a cheque to St Andrew's (memo Mission and Outreach; this will be added to your year end tax receipt), or provide a food gift card, or cash (please give directly to Jan Sewell). No items or merchandise can be collected/donated this year due to COVID. Thank you!

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Sunday Worship - 11:00am