

St. Andrew's News

www.standrewspres-tbay.ca November 15th, 2020 *Responding! Rejoicing!*



MARKETPLACE & BAZAAR A Visit with Santa

Talk with Santa live from the North Pole.

November 27- 29, 2020 \$10.00 for 10 min

A live video call with Santa is a magical experience children will remember forever.

Please call 622 - 4273 to reserve your spot.



E-transfers can be made to accounts.standrewspres@tbaytel.net Please put "Santa" in the notes

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BENINCASA BOUTIQUE

In support of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Benincasa Boutique is partnering with them for their annual Marketplace and Bazaar. \$10 from every headband purchase will go directly to the church.



Handmade Disnep Inspired Ears





Please call 622-4273 for a list of headband designs that are offered and to place your order.

E-transfers can be sent to benincasaboutique@gmail.com Please put "headbands" in the notes.

COMMUNITY CLOTHING ASSISTANCE

Thunder Bay's Community Clothing Assistance has invited St Andrew's to participate in the Undercover Project over the next 4 weeks;

Nov 15 - Dec 13. The project is designed to provide 7 free pairs of new underwear and new socks for children aged 4-14, in need.

We would ask that you drop off children's underwear and socks at the church, into a box marked "Undercover". Thank you for supporting this great initiative!

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!

SHORTBREAD SALES

To place a shortbread order please contact our Office Administrator, Shaundra.

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.

All Occasion & Seasonal Cards

by

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Please visit our Facebook event
to view the cards available.

St. Andrew's
Marketplace & Bazaar

1 card - \$5.00
4 cards - \$19.00

If you have any questions please call either Judy at 624-8926 or

the church office at 622-4273

From Joyce

I know it is out there in the news, and I know that I have written a few times about our mental health as the pandemic has overshadowed so much of our lives, but I find myself once again pondering the everyday struggles that people are facing and how that is amplified when it is more difficult to reach out and get help because of the restrictions being placed on our regular activities. These restrictions are necessary and needed, but they definitely add to the stressors that people are already experiencing. Cancer doesn't care that Covid is here. Physical and mental abuse in marriage, between partners, and aimed at children has not only continued but increased in Loneliness many cases. and depression for those who live alone or with restricted access to those who care about them is on the rise. Greif has not taken a vacation. Educating children and adults has become a major challenge for teachers, parents, and students. As well as, conflict between opposing sides in politics and other arenas of public discourse is rife with accusations, finger pointing, and bullying. As we head into winter, colder weather, and shorter days, things can look pretty dismal. We may feel at a loss for how to deal with it all, but be sure that reaching out can make a difference when you feel cornered or trapped in your situation and with your emotions. Allowing someone else in on your struggle can relieve some of the pressures and assure you that you are not alone. Things may not be resolved quickly, but there can be comfort in knowing that someone else has heard you. On the flip side, many of us are doing okay and to reach out to someone with a phone call to check in can mean so much. As always, I am just a phone call away. Trust God with your struggle, and trust that there is a way through.

COMMUNION SERVICES

Communion will be celebrated on November 29, the 1st Sunday of Advent. We have purchased pre-filled communion cups so that we can safely celebrate the sacrament during the worship service.

There will also be a Zoom communion service that evening at 7:00 pm. A link to the service will be sent out. If you are unable to be present for either of those services and would like to have communion please send Rev. Joyce an email as another opportunity may be possible.

ST. ANDREW'S ONLINE MARKETPLACE & BAZAAR

St. Andrew's will be continuing its tradition of our annual Tea & Bazaar, minus the tea. We have received many donations of new and unused items and will be selling them through a Facebook event.

To access the event and see all the wonderful items that are available for purchase please use the link provided below; **you will need a**Facebook account to view the items.

You can either type it into the address bar of which ever web browser you use at home or if you are viewing the newsletter online, just click the link and it will take you directly to the event page.

Once you are at the event page just click the "Discussion" tab to view the marketplace & bazaar items. You will also be able to view Judy Persian's original watercolour blank cards, that are available for purchase.

All sales are first come, first serve. To purchase an item, please comment on the picture itself and you will be contacted by our Office Admin, Shaundra, to arrange payment and a pick up time.

Here is the link, type or click now! https://fb.me/e/30rQuqQbL

GOOD JOB ST. ANDREW'S

The Mission and Outreach Committee is active in the community, nationally and internationally, with financial support to: Lakehead Social Planning Council, Our Kids Count, Underground Gym, Children's Aid Society, Christmas Cheer, Faye Peterson Transition House, Beendigen Crisis Home, Elizabeth Fry Society, Lifewater Canada, Shelter House and the Montreal Refugee Centre. Our base budget, and your generous support, funds these initiatives.

Thank you for making a difference!

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN

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Sunday Worship - 11:00am