



# St. Andrew's News

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*Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!*

We are Thankful for YOU!



## SHORTBREAD IS BACK

While Covid is still too prevalent to hold the Tea and Bazaar as we know it, shortbread will be available again this year. Last year's shortbread fundraiser was a resounding success, raising in the range of \$7000 in a difficult financial year. We are counting on this very important source of revenue again this year to meet our budget. We have purchased butter and it is available to volunteer bakers. Baking has begun and will continue throughout November. All bakers are asked to pick up an instruction sheet from the office. This includes the recipe and important details so we can provide the consistent product our buyers have come to expect. We can also loan you cookie cutters if you need them. Please call Sue Heald at 621-2226 or Kathie Pawlik at 344-4635 to volunteer to bake. We are also very short of cookie tins as we used everything we had last year.

Please ask family and friends for unused tins and keep an eye out at second hand places for tins in good condition with no rust inside.



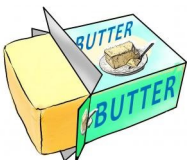
## SHORTBREAD BAKERS

Many bakers make light work. For 200 lbs of butter, 10 bakers 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. 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. All butter can be picked up at the church during office hours or by arrangement.



## I SAID A PRAYER FOR YOU TODAY

I said a prayer for you today  
 And know God must have heard-  
 I felt the answer in my heart  
 Although He spoke no word!  
 I didn't ask for wealth or fame  
 (I knew you wouldn't mind)-  
 I asked Him to send treasures  
 Of a far more lasting kind!  
 I asked that He'd be near you  
 At the start of each new day  
 To grant you health and blessings  
 And friends to share your way!  
 I asked for happiness for you  
 In all things great and small-  
 But it was for His loving care  
 I prayed for most of all!



*Author Unknown*

## PCC MISSION MOMENTS

### Supporting New Ministries

In 2019, with support from Presbyterians Sharing, The Presbyterian Church in Canada started Cyclical PCC, a church planting support initiative.

Since its beginning, God has blessed this initiative with 47 faithful, dedicated and innovative people who feel called to begin new ministries. Rani Ibrahim, a participant in Cyclical PCC, said that the relationships he has formed with other Presbyterian leaders have been especially meaningful.



## SHORTBREAD SALES

Customers can e-transfer the amount to the church at [offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net](mailto: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  
 Sat Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm  
 Sunday Nov 28<sup>th</sup> noon-2pm  
 Cost \$6/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



Tuesday evening, we had our much-anticipated Appreciative Inquiry Evening with Rev. Ken MacQuarrie, the Hope Assessor assigned to our congregation as part of the New Beginnings process. Ken spent the afternoon touring the building and property with me, then met with our Accountant Shelly Macaulay and Bookkeeper Barb Silvey, as well as getting a “windshield” tour of the city with John Mason. After dinner with John and myself, it was back to the church for the hybrid meeting. Thank you to all who joined in person and online for the meeting. The number of people in attendance and the responses to the questions were a hopeful indicator of the desire for meaningful engagement with the community while also continuing our worship and growing sense of caring family of faith.

So next steps...Phase 3 of the process is Ken will take all the information that has been provided to him previously and throughout the day last week and will complete a comprehensive Assessment Report. This report will serve as the base document from which the rest of the New Beginnings process will unfold. In this report Ken will reflect on the church’s assets, current programming, context and potential future directions. The report will include:

- Our congregation’s demographics.
- A pin map showing the location of our membership
- Our community demographics and neighborhood trends
- Financial history and analysis
- Building condition and usage
- Ministry activities and metrics of our congregation’s vitality
- Three narrative that suggest future directions for our congregation.

It usually takes three to four weeks for the Hope Assessor to produce the report. The congregation will be given the report during the small group process which is yet to come. As a Session we were advised that from start to the follow through of the process we are looking at a year. So, thank you for your engagement thus far and know there is much yet to come.

### PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

As the Covid -19 pandemic evolves into a fourth wave, St Andrew’s will continue as much as possible to provide a safe space for all who enter by following the recommendations and guidelines of the Health Unit.

Public Health Measures such as: Masking, hand sanitizing, social distancing and vaccinations are ongoing effective strategies in reducing and preventing the spread of Covid -19.

Covid -19 vaccinations are an evidence base Public Health intervention that helps to keep citizens safe. By receiving the Covid -19 vaccine you are protecting yourself and others.

St Andrews Presbyterian Church is encouraging all persons entering the church to follow ALL the Public Health Measures including vaccinations so that the church remains a safe space.

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

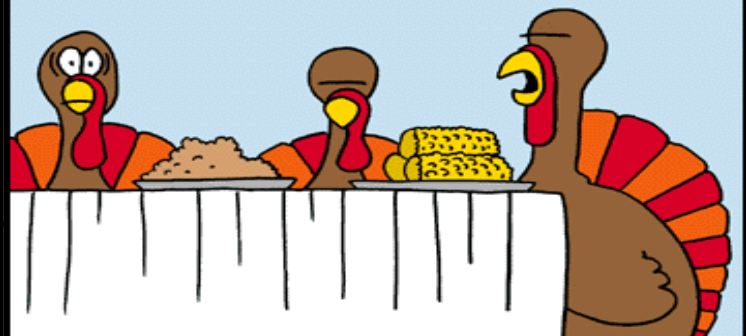
Set apart a tithe of all the yield of your seed that is brought in yearly from the field.  
*Deuteronomy 14:22*

### MISSION & OUTREACH FOOD BANK

Mission and Outreach is holding a Food Bank Drive with the goal of helping to restock Food bank shelves. All donations of non-perishables gladly received at the church. Baby food, pasta, sauce, canned tuna/salmon, pork and beans, Kraft Dinner, along with vegan and vegetarian products... are some of the well received items.



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