



St. Andrew's News

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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



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 looking to start packing shortbread at the church on Nov. 4 at 9:30am. If you are able to volunteer your time to help pack please contact Sue Heald to let her know. Many hands make light work.

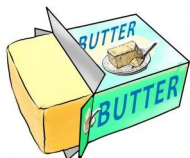


SHORTBREAD BAKERS

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.



SIX LITTLE STORIES

Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella.

That's FAITH.

When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them.

That's TRUST.

Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up.

That's HOPE

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future.

That's CONFIDENCE

We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children.

That's LOVE.

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.'

That's ATTITUDE.



Have a happy day & live your life like the 6 stories.

SHORTBREAD SALES

Customers can e-transfer the amount 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
 Sat Nov 27th 10am-2pm
 Sunday Nov 28th 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

Well today I am at Bethlehem Christian Reformed Church (CRC) on Walkover St. as Pastor Marg Rekman and I do a pulpit exchange. Though I have preached in many Presbyterian pulpits and even in the United Church a few times, this will be the first time that I worship with a CRC congregation, which is interesting to me as I have worshipped in Lutheran, Anglican, and Catholic churches over my lifetime. In seminary I visited a Hindu temple, a Mosque, and worshiped in a Synagogue. Yet, somewhere in my life experience I have not been to Christian Reformed church. Being Dutch you might think that should have happened lol! Though I have a few butterflies, just because there are unknowns, I am thankful for the invitation. How wonderful to be welcomed by those who share in our Christian faith. I enjoy having opportunities to grow and learn and this will be one of those times. What is even better is that I can trust that those who welcome me will be patient guides and teachers. Beyond that, Pastor Marg is a friend and colleague so to have the opportunity to lead worship in her context will add to my understanding of her work and worship. Blessings as today you hear a new voice, a different teacher, and also have an opportunity to grow in understanding and fellowship.

THANK YOU

We welcome Pastor Marg Rekman to St. Andrew's and thank her for leading us in worship today.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

2 Corinthians 9:6

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Please remember to set your clocks back an hour on Sunday November 7th.



UPCOMING GUEST PREACHERS

Nov, 14 - Rev. Bert Vancook

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

As the Covid -19 pandemic continues, 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.

MISSION & OUTREACH FOOD BANK

Mission and Outreach is holding a Food Bank Drive with the goal of helping to restock the 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. Monetary donations are also accepted and all cheques need to be earmarked to the Food Bank



PCC MISSION MOMENTS

Relief Through Food Assistance

Mohammad and his family had to leave their home behind when COVID-19 made finding work difficult in their community in Afghanistan. Unfortunately, Mohammad and his father were seriously injured by a bomb blast on the journey. Mohammad's right knee now causes him a lot of pain. Mohammad still worked hard to provide for his family through the harsh winter, but it was far from enough. Things improved when the family was selected to take part in a food assistance project. Five monthly cash distributions were made to 1,100 vulnerable households—allowing families to purchase much-needed food and essential items.

"This assistance has brought relief in my life," said Mohammad. This project is implemented by Community World Service Asia, a partner of Presbyterian World Service & Development.

