



St. Andrew's News

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March 6th, 2022



Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!

TRANSFORMATIONAL MINISTRY WEEKEND

It's back on!
We officially have dates pick for the Transformational Weekend.

Friday March 25 at 7:00pm
Open Workshop

Saturday March 26
Small Group Facilitators Training

Sunday March 27 at 11:00am
Sunday Service with
Dr. Rev. Jeffrey Crawford

FARWELL & BLESSINGS FOR JOHN MASON

Today St. Andrew's will be sharing our best wishes for John as he and his wife Barbara move to Bracebridge to be closer to family.

In honour of John, donations made to the church in support of Lifewater Canada will be received throughout the month of March.

Please join us in a time of fellowship, cider and cookies, following the service.

VOLUNTEER VISITORS NEEDED

Hogarth Riverview Manor is looking for friendly visitor volunteers. They currently have a list of 8 residents who are looking for socialization and companionship.

Visits could include talking about hobbies or current events, going for a walk throughout the building, playing a game of cards, listening to music, etc.

Visits ideally would be at minimum, once a week for 30 minutes.

If you'd like to make a difference in a residents' life, contact Ashley Bosnick-Kokocinski to find out more about their friendly visitor program.

Ashley Bosnick-Kokocinski
Coordinator, Volunteer Services
Hogarth Riverview Manor
625-1117

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the Ukrainian people today.

We pray for the Ukrainian people who are fleeing from violence to protect their lives and families
We pray for peace and the turning of swords into ploughshares that the instruments of war may be replaced with respect for human life.

We pray for all who fear for tomorrow, that they may find the consolation of Your Holy Spirit.
We pray for those who have power over war or peace, for world leaders and church leaders as they seek to restore peace in the world through wisdom, discernment and compassion.
Turn the hearts of those who are invading Ukraine -- who make for violence, that they may learn instead the paths of Your peace.

God of all the nations, who has called us to be ambassadors of reconciliation in our world we pray that we may pour out Your healing on those who suffer at other's hands.

We pray for You to bind up the wounds of the broken, restore hope to the lost and bring those who have died into Your eternal presence.

We pray for all of Your precious children, that they may know that You hold and protect them.

This we pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, and the Lord of life.

Amen.

Blessings

Rev. Dr. R. Glenn Ball
Moderator of the Synod of Manitoba
and Northwestern Ontario.

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

The Reformed Church in Transcarpathia, Ukraine, has been struggling to recruit and retain pastors to serve in poor, rural churches. To encourage seminary students to return after studying abroad, the church started the Nest Program, which offers pastors a safe place to live. **Bishop Zán-Fábián was overjoyed when The Presbyterian Church in Canada offered financial support to renovate a vacant parish house for the Rev. Sándor and his wife Noémi**, who have agreed to serve in the small village of Tiszaújhely. With financial assistance from Presbyterians Sharing, Sándor and Noémi have furnished their house with basic appliances and furniture and can now concentrate on their ministry in Tiszaújhely and give thanks to God.



From Joyce

How does one acknowledge the contributions of someone who has been a part of the life, work, ministry, and worship of a congregation from infancy to now in the way that John Mason has been with this congregation of St. Andrew's? A book could be written chronicling John's participation as a Sunday School kid, to Scout leader, to elder and Clerk of Session, on top of the stories that people would have of John greeting them as an usher at the door and his leadership with Mission and Outreach, Dinner Auctions, Shepherd's pie making, and Fish Fry dinners. From the stories I have heard told since my arrival as minister, there have been many personalities that have graced this church with their kindness, unwavering support, and leadership, and all people would say that John belongs in that very special group. Today we will take time to say our goodbyes, celebrate, and bless John as he takes his gifts and is faithful to grace another community and church, and most importantly his family with his care, compassion, personality, and presence. All the best John! You are loved and you will be missed.



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!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 6

**Lent 1 – Transitions in Life:
Seasons of Transitions in Our Lives**
Genesis 8

March 13

**Lent 2 – Transitions in Life:
Positioned for Transition**
Isaiah 43:1-19
Blessing of Prayer Shawls
(Time Change! – Spring Forward an Hour)

March 20

**Lent 3 – Transitions in Life:
Managing Transition**
Deuteronomy 4:1-24

March 27

Lent 4 – Transformation Weekend!
Rev. Jeffrey Crawford preaching
and leading worship with Joyce

April 3

**Lent 5 – Transitions in Life:
A Healthy Transition**
Deuteronomy 31:1-13

April 10

Palm Sunday

April 14

Maunder Thursday 7:00 pm
With Communion

April 15

Good Friday 11:00 am

Becoming the Way: A Good Friday Service
Based on Jesus' "I Am" Statements

April 17

Easter Sunday

Thoughtful Tuesdays for Today and Tomorrow

1:00 pm on Tuesdays March 8th – April 12th

A midweek Zoom coffee and conversation time for Lent using the daily devotional from the Presbyterian Church in Canada's St. Andrew's Hall, part of Vancouver School of Theology.

The booklet and Zoom link will be sent via email.

A print version can also be requested through the church office.

Should you wish to join the conversation and you don't have a computer contact Rev. Joyce.

