

St. Andrew's News

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May 22nd, 2022

Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

This year's picnic will be held on **June 12** at the South Neebing Community Centre on Mountain Road at 1:00m.

This is a potluck event; please bring your own plates, cups, utensils, etc.

There will be races and prizes so please bring a chair to sit and watch the races.

Hope to see you there!

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY



St. Andrew's 113th Anniversary is on **Sunday May 29**.

Communion will be celebrated during worship.

ST. ANDREW'S FLEA MARKET

The Spring Flea Market will be held on **June 11** from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm.

To keep the Church tidy, donations should be brought starting May 30.



Volunteers Needed!

If you are able to volunteer for the flea market please contact

Rev. Joyce or the Office Administrator.

CHURCH CLOSED

The office will be closed tomorrow, **Monday May 23**, for the Victoria Day long weekend.

EASTER MEMORIAL BULLETIN

Rev. Joyce apologizes for names missed of loved ones remembered from our Easter Memorial Bulletin.

**Alex, Jean and Jessie MacCaulay,
Allan and Jean Cameron,
and Margaret MacLeod**

By the family

The Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre presents.....

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day BBQ ~June 15, 2022~

My World... Your World... Our World - Free of Elder Abuse

To raise awareness about elder abuse, we are showing our support for older adults by hosting a free BBQ takeout lunch that has been funded by IG Wealth Management. Your meal will include a hamburger, potato salad, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and a cupcake!



Pick up will be curbside at the Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre. You must register for your take out meal by calling 684-3276 and you will be given a pick up time.

Hope to see you in the drive thru!

PRAYER FROM THE HEART

Lord



Thank you for the wonderful season of spring for budding growth, for bird and bird songs, for time in the sun, for the melted snow. We are enjoying connecting with neighbours and friends we may not have seen during the long winter months and through COVID times. Thank you for the time to reflect and work with others on St. Andrew's New Beginnings, on our future together.

Give us the wisdom to appreciate the guidance you have provided us with to bring about our witness to the community, the faith to help us understand our discipleship role and the energy, passion, and understanding to fulfill the role(s) you have guided us toward.

Lord, thank you for continuing to work with and in us in the upcoming weeks, months, and years.

Amen.

Written by: Sandra Dewsberry



From Joyce

It's the long weekend! It marks the start of summer for many Canadians and Thunder Bay and area is no different. People are planning and planting gardens and flower beds, getting yard work done, opening up camps, and generally trying to get outdoors a lot more. The winter went on so long that this year in particular people seem to be in need of getting out of their residences to enjoy the sun and warmer weather. If indicators reflect years past it will also mean that worship attendance and giving are affected, but know that the church remains vital and active even as things shift and your presence and support are valued.

Of note is the upcoming Flea Market on June 11th which is always a wonderful time of sharing in work and welcoming community as people come to see what "finds" are there. If you have time to help out with setting this up, working the day of, or even helping in the week to follow with the clean up, let myself or Shaundra know in the office. The funds go toward our commitment to a sponsor child for the next year and the work of the church. The next day, June 12th, we celebrate with the Congregational Picnic! The Seekers group is thanked for setting this up and making available a time for us to just have fun together. It is a potluck with a welcome for all ages and an opportunity to celebrate our community of faith.

An update also on New Beginnings. The small group leaders met this past Tuesday to begin the work of sharing what happened in each group. Our coach Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Crawford joined us via Zoom. The conversation was highly valuable and interesting for me as I was not a part of the small groups. I am so energized by what was being shared, the insights and wisdom. We are not yet done that work and so the leaders will be meeting again June 22nd to finish that part of our process. A report will follow and be released to the congregation sometime late August or early September. An informational session for the congregation based on the report will be scheduled in September. Once again, I give thanks for the work of the small group leaders and for all those who signed up and were able to attend the small groups. Your insights will guide our future story as a congregation. You have been and are part of valuable work.

stay safe

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!

SUMMER SERVICE HOURS

From **Sunday June 19 to Sunday Sept 4**,
Worship will be starting at 10am.

CPR & AED INFORMATION AND TRAINING

The *Superior North Association of Professional Paramedics* will be offering a free CPR and AED information and training event for seniors.

This workshop will help you to learn strategies when you find someone in distress. It will also help to take the fear out of stepping in to help someone.

Date: June 7

Time: 10:30am-12:00pm

Location: Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre

Call 684-3276 to register

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