St. Andrew's News



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Responding! Restoring!

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CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

This year's picnic will be happening **TODAY** at the South Neebing Community Centre on Mountain Road directly after worship.

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!

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Funeral services for **Bill Fummerton** will be held at St. Andrew's on **Wednesday June 15** at 11:00am. Lunch will follow in Rowand Hall.

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A Celebration of Life in loving memory of the late **Eileen Duguid**, who passed away March 26, 2021, will be held on **Saturday, June 25, 2022** at West Thunder Community Centre, 915 Edward St South from 1-3pm

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

In the aftermath of a devastating earthquake that struck Haiti in August 2021, Presbyterian World Service & Development responded through the ACT Alliance. The emergency response supported 400 families in rebuilding their homes. This response was modelled after successful rebuilding projects following Hurricane Matthew in 2016. In addition, non-food items, including shelter and hygiene kits, were provided for 1,500 families, nutritious food for 1,300 families and agricultural support and supplies for 500 farmers. Community leaders and local volunteers also learned about community-based humanitarian action when confronting a crisis. This knowledge sharing is meant to ensure that when future disasters happen, communities will know how to implement an effective response.

SUMMER SERVICE HOURS



Starting next **Sunday June 19** Worship will be starting at 10am for the summer until Sept. 4.

ST. ANDREW'S HISTORY

Taken from: History of Presbyterianism in Thunder Bay and District (1869-1980) *Harcourt T. Johnston*

By 1913 many people in St. Andrew's had come to feel that a more fitting and up-to-date Sunday School hall in keeping with the overall architecture of the church proper should be built adjoining the church on the ground then occupied by the old St. Andrew's Church. The church school was growing rapidly and the older church had become too small, not only for the Sunday School itself, but for the many other church organizations as well.



PRES-B CAMP SAVE THE DATE

The Presbytery of Superior will be running an overnight camp from **August 11-14** from children



entering grades 3-8 this fall. Registration forms will soon be available. Please contact Will Newton

newton9455@hotmail.com if you have any questions.



Ary From Joyce

As I write this I am heading into the last day of General Assembly. The passion for the church is palatable in these meetings even if we are online across the country. There have been a few significant moments. Here are a couple of highlights from Monday and Tuesday.

National Indigenous Ministry Council (NIMC) Report

This is the first report of the National Indigenous Ministry Council (NIMC), which was created as a standing committee by the General Assembly in 2021. The report noted that the PCC currently has three ordained Indigenous Presbyterian ministers, and five of its nine Indigenous ministries are led by Indigenous leaders.

The report summarized the experience and history of Indigenous people in Canada and in the church, including colonial assimilation through Residential School systems. It also summarized what is needed to move forward to healing and reconciliation. It named the following needs:

- the need for more Indigenous people to be represented in the PCC
- the need to reconcile Indigenous wisdom and spirituality with the Christian faith
- the need to speak against Indigenous-specific racism, hate and violence
- the need for sustained funding to enable healing for Indigenous people
- and the need to reconcile the church's broken relationship with God and Indigenous people.

The Assembly adopted a recommendation that the National Indigenous Ministry Council work on a statement of faith relevant to today, in consultation with the Church Doctrine Committee.

Special Committee re. Confession to LGBTQI People

The Assembly adopted a <u>confession to God and LGBTQI people</u>, confessing the harm caused by homophobia, transphobia, heterosexism and hypocrisy in The Presbyterian Church in Canada and committing the church to a true change of heart and behaviour. The Special Committee re Confession to LGBTQI People was discharged.

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- 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.
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Website: You can donate by credit card using the "Donate Now" link on the website.

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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!

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

We only have what we give. Isabel Allende – author

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

God Almighty, Creator of all things, build your kingdom among us. Jesus Christ, son of the living God, give us your grace. Holy Spirit, breath of the living God, renew all things. Let us serve you willingly and joyfully to the benefit of each other, to share one faith and respond to your calling.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN

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