

St. Andrew's News



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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Fri - 8:30am - 12:30pm

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed on the following dates:

Thurs. July 21 - Mon. Aug. 1

And

Wed. Aug 24 - Mon. Aug. 29

Church is open for Sunday Service

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

from PCC Prayer Partnership

Sunday, July 17 We pray for female theological students who are overcoming obstacles and pursuing higher education at Zomba Theological College in Malawi.



Monday, July 18 We pray for farmers in Guatemala who are learning how to prepare nutritional food from their gardens with support from the PCC through Presbyterian World Service & Development partners.

Tuesday, July 19 We pray for the Canadian Council of Churches as member churches witness together to the unity of Christ's church.

Wednesday, July 20 We give thanks and pray for archivists who work to preserve and care for the historical records of the church.

Thursday, July 21 We pray for wisdom to care for the earth and act now as God's stewards for the good of future generations and all of God's creatures.

Friday, July 22 We pray for Westside Presbyterian Church in Cambridge, Ontario, as the congregation undergoes the search process for their next minister, and for Interim Moderator, the Rev. Megan Penfold.

Saturday, July 23 We pray for the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora, Ontario, and give thanks for the Director, Yvonne Bearbull, who is called by her community to pray, advocate and intervene in times of deep sorrow, isolation and loss.

ST. ANDREW'S HISTORY

Taken from:

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

Up to the first years of the twentieth century the minister had lived in a rented house. It was not long, however, until the congregation began to feel that the minister should have a permanent and suitable home; in other words, that a manse should be built.

Consequently a lot, fifty by ninety-three feet, immediately south of the church was purchased from Queen's University in the fall of 1902, and on this same lot the present manse was built during 1903-04. It is interesting to note that this same lot had been given to Queen's University by the McKellar brothers in April 1888 when Queen's was experiencing financial difficulties. Thus the lot which had been given, had now to be repurchased.

FLEA MARKET UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who helped with the flea market. Your efforts made this fund raiser possible, from donating items, to sorting, selling, and then packaging up what was left over.

Those left over items have been donated to other non profit groups.

We raised \$874.70!

\$450.00 is set aside and used to fund the Sunday School's sponsor child. \$400.00 has been given to the Benevolence Fund. This fund is used by Rev. Joyce to help those who come to the doors of the church or come with another need. It is a compassionate fund that once again helps the congregation help others.

Thank you for all your support!

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 are available here [Pres-B Camp 2022 – St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay, ON \(standrewspres-tbay.ca\)](http://standrewspres-tbay.ca).

Please contact Will Newton
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if you have any questions.

From Joyce



I am about to do something I have not done since I arrived at St. Andrew's in the fall of 2013. I am going to take four-weeks vacation time all at once. Both Ken and I are in need of a long break – a good rest. In 2020 I didn't really take a break as we started the online worship videos and it seemed a much-needed connection through the time of Covid. Last summer as well I made sure there was a video for every week even though I was away and doing the videos as we traveled. This year I just need to stop for a while and I believe the team that makes the worship videos happen for all is also in need of a good break from their responsibilities. So, there will be no worship videos for July 24 and 31 as well as August 7 and 14. The worship videos have become a big piece of our outreach and ministry; and that ministry is going to continue as soon as I am back from vacation.

In person worship will still be happening on Sundays at 10am. Rev. Kerry McLaughlin, who will be familiar to many of you, will be preaching July 31 and August 7th. You will also be introduced to a new to us minister, Rev. Jeff Andrews on July 24 and August 14. Jeff is a chaplain at the Thunder Bay Correctional Centre, which is where Kerry also worked full time until his retirement a few years back. I know that they will receive a warm welcome from the congregation.

In case you are wondering what Ken and I will be up to...we are heading to Alberta for a couple of weeks to spend time with my dad, our sons and their partners, and Ken's mom, as well as see extended family. We plan on camping our way there and back. Camping has long been our favourite way of rest and renewal. Having said that, we are not roughing it. We have a 5th wheel RV that is "home" while we are away. Then in August we will be heading to New York! We have never been before and have our son-in-law on the planning part as we are going with him, our daughter, and our granddaughter. So campfires and water as well as a new experience will be part of taking time away from the ministry so that I can return refreshed to this work that I absolutely love being a part of. God's blessings on each of you.

P.S.

Last week I wrote about the Prayer Shawl Ministry and though I know something about blessing prayer shawls and getting them out to people, I am not knowledgeable about the actual doing. So, a couple of pieces for clarification and what I learned this past week. The shawls are knit or crocheted depending on the preference of the people creating the shawl. Also, I used the word, "wool" generically, which may also have been misleading. The shawls are actually made using acrylic which is easier to launder, soft to the touch, and make it a wonderful gift, as well as addressing any concerns about allergies. Once again, thank you to the group who knit and crochet these special gifts and bless St. Andrew's with their care and prayers.

HUNGER CRISIS

50 million people living across 45 countries are facing emergency levels of hunger.

The effects of climate change, conflict and COVID-19 have combined to create a situation where action is essential.

PWS&D is responding with Canadian Foodgrains Bank and your contribution will help them reach so many people.

Donations to PWS&D, made by July 17, are eligible to be matched through the Humanitarian Coalition Hunger Crisis appeal.

Donations can be made to St. Andrew's and earmarked for PWS&D.

MASK MANDATE

The mask mandate at St. Andrew's has been lifted and masks are now optional.

Please be respectful of those who wish to continue to wear one.

WORSHIP SERVICE VIDEOS

There will be no new videos from July 24 to Aug. 14, but please feel free to look at our YouTube channel for videos you may have missed or to watch some of your favourites.

[\(1\) St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church - YouTube](#)

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