



St. Andrew's News

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January 22nd, 2023

Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

from PCC Prayer Partnership

Sunday, January 22 We pray for the medical staff at the Shining Hospital in Nepal as they treat illnesses with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Monday, January 23 Eternal God, wake us up to your glory in the world; stir in us delight and help us overcome despair through your assurance that it is not all up to us.

Tuesday, January 24 We pray for interim moderators and search committees as they work to assist congregations in calling a new minister.

Wednesday, January 25 We pray for the members and work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee.

Thursday, January 26 We give thanks for the many gifts that LGBTQI2+ people bring to the church's mission and ministry.

Friday, January 27 We pray for congregations as they prepare and gather for their annual meetings.

Saturday, January 28 We pray for people in rural and remote congregations and communities across the country.

CARPET CLEANER NEEDED

Our Custodian, Sheila Berry, is in need of an upright carpet cleaner to better maintain the carpets in the church. If you have one you'd like to loan/donate please call the church office 622-4273

SIGN UP FOR MUSIC PUPS



For infants up to 4 yrs old, register for fun filled classes of singing, dancing, movement and instrument play. Parents learn how to enrich their child's music environment, increase music potential and understand music development.

Wednesday evening (5:15pm - 6:00pm) or Thursday morning classes (11:00am - 11:45am) are available. The cost is \$130 for the first child & \$90 for the second child from the same family.

The program runs from Jan 25 - April 6. Contact Ms. Joyce at **632-8348** to register or for more information.

WEEK OF JAN 22 - 29, 2023

Wed Jan 25 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am

Wed Jan 25 - Music Pups @ 5:15pm

Thurs Jan 26 - Music Pups @ 11:00am

ANNUAL REPORT

If you have yet to hand in a report for your committee, please do so ASAP so the Office Administrator can complete the annual report..

The annual meeting will be on February 12, 2023.

NURSERY HELPERS NEEDED

We are looking for individuals to help look after our youngest members in the Nursery on Sundays.

A sign up sheet has been placed outside the office. If there are any questions or comments please feel free to connect

with Sandra Dewsberry,
Faith Education Chair 475-7239



DONATIONS

The Presbyterian Church Heritage Centre, which is the National Museum for the Presbyterian Church of Canada, is looking for donations for renovations .

If you would like to donate please submit your donation and label it for the Presbyterian Church Heritage Centre. St. Andrew's will collect donations until **February 28** and then send the full amount to the Heritage Centre on behalf of the congregation.

Please visit pcheritagecentre.ca for more info.

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

In Nepal, 51-year-old Lahia Tharu was suffering from a numb left foot. Lahia first sought help from a traditional healer—a practice common in rural Nepal. When the condition of her foot did not improve, she went to a nearby hospital. Tests confirmed that Lahia had leprosy and referred her to the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Shining Hospital. There, she received medication and treatment and was sent home to recover.

Reflecting upon her experience, Lahia said that she is "thankful and happy for the treatment that was provided at Shining Hospital."



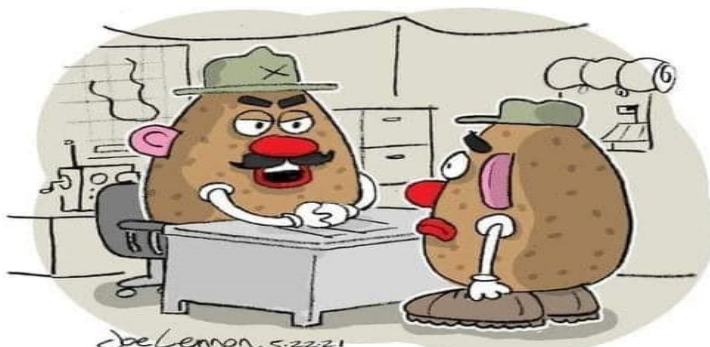


From Joyce

As we are all aware, when Covid hit everything stopped, including the ability for clergy to be able to spend time at the hospital and in care homes visiting with people of the congregation. What I have learned recently is that many people are not aware that clergy have been allowed back to visit patients at the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Center and at St. Joseph's Hospital, as well as at the care homes in Thunder Bay. Depending on where I am called to visit, there are different protocols for me to follow, and of course, if there is an outbreak I cannot visit, but otherwise I am able to go.

This newsletter is read, not only by people from St. Andrew's, but also from First Presbyterian, and St. Andrew's Presbyterian and St. James Shared Ministry in Geraldton, I want you to know that when someone finds themselves or a loved one in hospital in Thunder Bay, I would be more than willing to visit. You just need to let me know. Without the information being shared, I do not know who may find a chat with me helpful or even desired, whether just as another face to see or because there are important matters to discuss.

Also, if you or someone you know could use or would like a visit from me, please connect with me. One of the blessings of this work is that I get to spend time with people, getting to know them. I have yet to figure out how to visit everyone, but when I am called, I make sure it happens. This is so, especially when someone is vulnerable and a visit from the minister can bring a little peace to an unsettling or even stressful situation. Many times people will say to me, "I know you're busy". Well, I am never too busy to find time to be with people. If this work ever stops being about people then it will no longer serve what I feel called to do. So please, call, text, or email. Have conversations with me, let me know a visit is something you or another would value. I value it too!



BAD NEWS SOLDIER. YOU'RE BEING TRANSFERRED TO A MASH UNIT.

VOICES NEEDED

We hear many voices in the congregation and the choir would love to have you join us. The choir provides a vital link between the service and the hymns. If you would like to join the choir, just ask any choir member after a service OR e-mail Jamie at jamegero@tbaytel.net OR come to choir practice at 9:30 on Sunday mornings. We provide the music, the lyrics, a choir gown and a comfortable seat.

Your commitment to the choir would be practice from 9:30 to 10:30 each Sunday, service at 11:00 and very occasionally a recording session for the online services.

Please consider joining us and supporting worship music.

Thank you,
Jamie Gerow,
Choir Director



PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY LOAN CUPBOARD

Wheelchairs, walkers, canes etc. are available for borrowing at no charge from the Loan Cupboard. These items can be signed out at the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare.

C. S. Lewis – writer, lay theologian

Offerings can be sent via etransfer to offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

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Sunday Worship - Online at

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