



St. Andrew's News

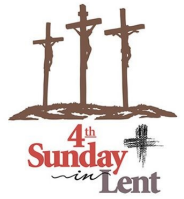
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March 19th, 2023

Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!



MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

Lenten Services will be held on
Wednesdays 12:05—12:30 pm
March 1 - March 29

5th Floor Chapel of
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

If you so choose, bring a lunch,
and after worship those gathered can
share fellowship with one another.



SYRIA - TURKIYE EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE

The Syrian population was already deeply impacted by the ongoing war and the economic collapse of the country and now, many people must deal with being displaced, losing their livelihood and surviving the harsh winter conditions.

PWS&D is responding through our partners at ACT Alliance. MECC has offered 232 sites as shelters in Aleppo since the quake. MECC is providing mattresses and blankets, as well as hot meals, to affected families, and is working to secure additional supplies to meet the needs.

"The key need currently is food baskets," reports Ghassan Chahine of MECC. "We need canned and pre-made food, as people cannot cook at the moment." While there is a lack of availability of some key items in Aleppo, MECC is sourcing goods from Damascus.

To support the response, click the link below, or give through St. Andrew's. Indicate your donation is for "Syria-Türkiye Earthquake."

[Donate to Presbyterian World Service & Development - The Presbyterian Church in Canada](#)

The Lenten Coin Calendars will be finished in April and all donations collected from those will be submitted from St. Andrew's to the Syria-Türkiye Earthquake Response.



WEEK OF MAR 19 - 26, 2023

Wed Mar 22 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am
Wed Mar 22 - Lenten Service @ 12:05pm
Wed Mar 22 - Music Pups @ 5:15pm
Thurs Mar 23 - Music Pups @ 11:00am

LENT & EASTER SERVICES

~Learning to Live Inside Out ~

Sunday March 26 - Lent 5

Who Could Stand

Ezekiel 37:1-14 ~ John 11:1-45

Sunday April 2

Palm Sunday Service - 11:00am

St. Aidan's Coffee Hour with Hot Cross Buns

Thursday April 6

Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00pm
with Communion

Friday April 7

Good Friday Service - 11:00am
Community Choir Concert - 7:00pm

Sunday April 9

Easter Sunday Service - 11:00am
with Communion

EASTER MEMORIAL BOOKLET

It's time to be thinking about Easter, and the annual Memorial Booklet. If you would like your loved ones remembered in the booklet, please contact the office to give their name (s) and proper spelling. Also, please consider donating to the flower fund.

(Donations are handled by the Bookkeeper) Names must be submitted, to the Office Administrator, by **April 3** to be included.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



The power of the future lies not in the hands of those who believe in scarcity, but of those who trust God's abundance.

Walter Brueggemann – scholar, theologian

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

STUDY OPPORTUNITY

As shared last week, I am planning a study for those who would like to affirm their baptism. At one time these were called confirmation classes which would give opportunity for participants to make a public affirmation of faith, leading some to formally have their name added to what we in the Presbyterian Church call "The Roll". The Roll being the list of names of people who have chosen to make official their ties to the Christian Church and St. Andrew's in particular.

The study in and of itself is valuable and is open to anyone, even if you had done this type of study before. You may find it a refresher in your understanding of faith and the roll the church plays in that, as well as provide an opportunity to grow in faith. It is especially meaningful to those who may consider St. Andrew's their church and never have had the time and space to do such a study and make such a commitment.

I am planning to offer the study beginning the last week of April and into May. There will be four sessions each 1 ½ hours in length. The day and time will be determined by those who express an interest in the study. I would need to know who is interested by April 3rd so that days and times can be established by the end of the first week of April.

It has been some time since we have had a study of any kind at the church. It is not only the learning that is valuable, but it is also an opportunity for getting to know others in the congregation a little better. If you are curious or maybe you are sure you want to be a part of this, either way, don't hesitate to connect with me. I look forward to the learning, teaching, and fellowship.



**PROUDLY PRESENTS:
SHAKIL CHOUDHURY**

**Deep Diversity:
A Compassionate Approach to
Racial Justice and Equity**

**MARCH 22, 2023
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
VIA ZOOM**

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN AT

[www.diversitythunderbay.ca/
get-involved/dtbpresents/](http://www.diversitythunderbay.ca/get-involved/dtbpresents/)



PCC MISSION MOMENTS

Hawa Issifu lives in Ghana with her husband. Hawa became ill with a disease that caused damage to her spinal cord. Her husband explored every option available to them in search of a remedy but found none. One day, Hawa was registered for assistance at the Garu Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) Centre by the Centre's field staff during a community survey. With the support of Presbyterian World Service & Development, the CBR program provided Hawa with a tricycle and wheelchair, as well as business training and access to start-up capital for a small business. This assistance helped Hawa get around independently, and her business is gradually expanding and creating new opportunities for her family.



NEW PHONE SCAM BE ADVISED

Be aware of a scam using PWS&D's name and share with your congregation members. We are aware of at least one instance of a member of a Presbyterian congregation receiving a phone call pressuring them to donate to PWS&D and provide their banking information. PWS&D (and the Presbyterian Church in Canada) do not solicit funds over the phone, demanding that banking information be shared. The only instance someone from the PCC will call a donor is if card information used for monthly donations needs to be updated or information mailed to the church needs to be clarified. Be careful and do not fall prey to people using PWS&D's (or the PCC's) names in fraudulent attempts to solicit funds. If you are ever in doubt, hang up and call the national office at 1-800-619-7301. If this happens to you, please also report it to the national office

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