



St. Andrew's News

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March 26th, 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.



WEEK OF MAR 26 - April 2, 2023

Tues Mar 28 - St. Aidan's Meeting @ 11:30am
Wed Mar 29 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am
Wed Mar 29 - Lenten Service @ 12:05pm
Wed Mar 29 - Music Pups @ 5:15pm
Thurs Mar 30 - Music Pups @ 11:00am

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

~Learning to Live Inside Out ~

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



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.



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

As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way.

Mary Anne Radmacher – writer, artist



Offerings can be sent via e-transfer to offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net



From Joyce

As I write this, I have no idea whether or not March is going to go out as a lamb or lion. What I do know is that as April is ushered in, we have the wonderful opportunity to once again celebrate Holy Week which for us includes services of worship for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and then Easter Sunday.

As Christians, this is a particularly poignant time of year and celebration. These four services together bring the fullness of the events from the time that Jesus was celebrated by the crowds on Palm Sunday, through to his last supper with those closest to him, to the cross, and then the amazing moment of resurrection. Of course, the story of how our faith came to be what it is follows from the witness in the stories that comes in the weeks and months after Easter Sunday, but this is the pivotal moment. Without the events of Holy Week there is no Christian story. I invite you to come and experience together in the community of the church the foundational stories and witness of our faith. Start with Palm Sunday. After that worship St. Aidan's group is hosting a time of fellowship with Hot Cross Buns from Holland Bakery.

The story of Easter continues with us. Let us learn, experience, and worship together!

GOOD FRIDAY TBCC CONCERT

Thunder Bay Community Choir
directed by Mary McGhee

Accompanists Joy Fahrenbruck, Diana Hannaford-Wilcox and Special Guest Musicians.

Friday April 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
207 Brodie Street S.

Donations will be accepted in support of
The Canadian Cancer Society (Thunder Bay)

HERITAGE WALL

We changed the Heritage Wall again!

This time we have put up pictures of our choir, games night, and Easter Bonnet Sunday; and we thought it would be fun for us to wear our Easter hats again this year.

A very special thank you to Derek Buttars and his uncle Jim for joining our group.

Welcome Derek and Jim! We are so happy to have you both in our Heritage Committee.

PCC MISSION MOMENTS

In Haiti, Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) is supporting farmers and their families. As a farmer, 62-year-old Emmanuel Joseph has experienced changes to his land for decades. When Emmanuel joined a farmer's collective supported by PWS&D in 2013, he began learning conservation agriculture practices like composting and crop rotation. Now, Emmanuel's garden produces more and better food year-round, and his wife is able to bring produce to the market to sell.



Projects focusing on food security benefit farmers and their loved ones by providing education and resources to help achieve better food security and address the impacts of climate change—both now and in the future.

STUDY OPPORTUNITY

This is 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 plan is 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 by April 3rd.

Please contact Rev. Joyce if you are interested. This study is open for all.

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