



# St. Andrew's News

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May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*Responding!*

*Restoring!*

*Rejoicing!*



## PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

**Sunday, May 14** We pray for Moses Silungwe as he pursues a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Levy Mwanawasa Medical University in Zambia with support from the PCC through Presbyterians Sharing.

**Monday, May 15** We pray that the records held by The Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives will be useful to ongoing efforts of healing and reconciliation.

**Tuesday, May 16** We pray for people participating in the 2023 Encouragement Conference at The Presbyterian College in Montreal, Quebec (May 16–18). May all the participants experience God's blessing.

**Wednesday, May 17 (International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia)** We pray for an end to all forms of hatred and discrimination that target LGBTQI2+ people. We commit to working for the collective safety and flourishing of all people.

**Thursday, May 18 (Ascension Day)** Almighty God, before Christ ascended into heaven, he told the apostles to be his witnesses "to the ends of the earth" when they received the Spirit (Acts 1:8). May we also be inspired to spread the good news of Christ in word and action, and to do so wisely, joyfully, graciously and with God's guidance.

**Friday, May 19** We pray for the members and ministry of the National Indigenous Ministries Council.

**Saturday, May 20** We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora, Ontario, and we give thanks for their ministry.

## 55 PLUS CENTRE EVENTS

CPR and AED

Superior North Emergency Medical Services will be offering a Free CPR and AED information and training event for older adults on **Wednesday June 14** from 10am-12pm at 700 River St. Registration is free. Please call 684-3276 to reserve a seat.

WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY BBQ  
**Thursday June 15** at 12pm at 700 River St.  
Call 684-3066 to register

## WEEK OF MAY 14 - 21, 2023

Sun May 14 - St. Andrew's Study Class @ 12:30pm

Wed May 17 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am

## SUMMER CAMP

The Presbytery of Superior and the United Church are joining together this summer to present Camp Duncan! This weeklong overnight camp runs July 9-15<sup>th</sup> and is for kids entering grades 3-8 this fall. Come out for a week of fun, nature, and community! We are also looking for volunteers for counsellors, kitchen staff, and lifeguards. Forms are now available at the church or online at our website. If you have any questions please contact

Will Newton

(newton9455@hotmail.com).

Hope to see you this summer!

If you would like to donate to camperships, please mark your envelope with CHURCH CAMP and the amount.



## LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE

Lunch with a Difference is coming back!

After three years St. Andrew's will host our lunch again on **Wednesday June 7** at 12pm.

Following that, Lunch with a Difference will return once every month starting in October.

Please RSVP to the Office Administrator by June 1<sup>st</sup>. A minimum suggested donation of \$10 will be collected at the door

## PCC MISSION MOMENTS

One of the pressing problems in Malawi is the lack of health-care workers. **With only 600 doctors to look after a population of 19 million,** Presbyterians Sharing is doing what it can to help fill this sizable gap by supporting Moses Silungwe as he pursues a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Levy Mwanawasa Medical University in Zambia, which is a six-year program. His dream of becoming a general surgeon began when he was working as a senior clinician at the David Gordon Memorial Hospital, where he was later appointed acting head of the hospital's clinical department. Moses is grateful and excited to pursue his dream of becoming a doctor and serving the people of Malawi.



## From Joyce

Blessings on this Christian Family Sunday, a day that many celebrate as Mother's Day, but my focus is actually taking me to the month of June. The last time the Implementation Team met part of our time was spent discussing worship. This is where the idea was presented to have a worship team to help plan Sunday worship throughout the year. You can look at last week's newsletter to see more of that discussion. As that Worship Team is still in the making, the Implementation Team took a look at what is coming up in the calendar with the recognition that June is Pride month and also has National Indigenous People's Sunday. From there the idea was submitted that we celebrate a Pride Sunday and also participate in the Pride March. These ideas were taken to Session and with their approval we designated June 4<sup>th</sup> as our Pride Sunday. This is particularly significant as the Presbyterian Church in Canada (PCC) only last year agreed that people of any sexual orientation can be married and/or ordained in the PCC. The Session of St. Andrew's has for years been an affirming Session and this has been known in our church so to have an opportunity to show our support of the 2SLGBTQI+ community and members of our congregation is something I am thankful for.

The way we plan to participate in Pride month is to hang a Pride Flag at the church the morning of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the same day the Pride Flag goes up at City Hall. Then June 4<sup>th</sup> will be Pride Sunday with an opportunity to reflect on God's love for everyone. Finally, the morning of June 17<sup>th</sup> you are invited to join with me and others as we walk in the Pride March from Waverly Park to Red River Road. We are calling ourselves Presbyterian Pride and you are welcome to join our group as an ally of 2SLGBTQI+ people or as one yourself who wants to know that there are people in the Presbyterian Church who stand with you. I will be extending an invitation to the congregations of First Presbyterian and Lakeview Presbyterian should they wish to join us. If you have questions about our involvement or how you might become involved, do not hesitate to contact me. I would be more than happy to have those conversations.

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Christian Stewardship involves doing God's will in all things.

*Stephen F. Olford*  
American Christian leader, author

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### WORSHIP TEAM

Are you looking to be a more active member in our ministry and want to contribute your gifts and creativity to the St. Andrew's team?

There will be learning required, so one will need to be open to learning about the "why" behind the choices that are made and be willing to work as a team. The first meeting to begin planning for the fall through to Christmas will be **Wednesday June 14** at 7:00pm.

Please contact Rev. Joyce to RSVP

### FOOD BANK DRIVE

St. Andrew's will hold a Food Bank Drive until Sunday June 11. Items in greatest demand include, cereal, pasta and sauce, canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, canned soups, canned meat (tuna, ham, chicken), pork and beans, and mac and cheese (KD, etc.).

Also consider baby food and vegetarian items like chickpeas, black beans, etc. Please include St. Andrew's Food Bank Drive on your shopping list.

### ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

On **Sunday May 28**, St. Andrew's will be celebrating our Anniversary Sunday and communion will be provided; along with a soup and bun lunch, hosted by the Session, following worship

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