



St. Andrew's News

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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Sunday, May 21 (Healing & Reconciliation Sunday) We pray for healing for Indigenous families and communities, who are struggling with intergenerational trauma from Residential Schools and other forms of colonial violence. Guide our church and congregations in ways that uphold Indigenous rights and reject anti-Indigenous racism.

Monday, May 22 We give thanks for Presbyterian World Service & Development's partners who work hard to ensure a quality education and a better future for girls in Malawi.

Tuesday, May 23 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Hummingbird Ministries in Vancouver, British Columbia, and we give thanks for their ministry.

Wednesday, May 24 We pray for the Rev. Jeanie Lee, former Ecumenical Accompanier, as she shares stories and advocates for justice and peace in Palestine and Israel.

Thursday, May 25 We pray for the members and work of the International Affairs Committee.

Friday, May 26 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Brampton in Ontario.

Saturday, May 27 We pray for commissioners of the 2023 General Assembly as they prepare to consider, discuss and make decisions about the ministry of The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

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

PRIDE SUNDAY

On **June 4** St. Andrew's will ring in the start of Pride Month and take time to reflect on God's love for everyone.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev. Pam Hogewoning for leading us in Worship while Rev. Joyce is away in Montreal.

WEEK OF MAY 21 - 28, 2023

Mon May 22 - OFFICE CLOSED

Wed May 24 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am

Thurs May 25 - Implementation Meeting @ 7:00pm

Sun May 28 - Soup & Bun Lunch following Worship

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 9-15th 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 1st. A minimum suggested donation of \$10 will be collected at the door

POTLUCK/MURDER MYSTERY

The Seekers are hosting a potluck lunch following Worship on **June 11**, please bring a dish to share. After lunch, please stay for an interactive murder mystery throughout the church. Dessert will be served as the culprit is revealed.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

We must strive to become good ancestors.

Ralph Nader – political activist, author, lecturer, and attorney

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From Joyce



As I write I am sitting in a dorm room at Presbyterian College in Montreal. I have been through Montreal twice before. Once was a day where Ken and I spent time with my mom and dad walking through Old Montreal with a wonderful family guide who had grown up in Montreal. Tuesday morning as a small group of us walked through those streets again I was reminded of that special time with my parents. My mom loved those kinds of summer days, one in which you could just meander and find a wonderful restaurant with a patio. A place to watch the people go by, all seemingly enjoying the slower pace of life. The second time I was in Montreal was in the cold of winter. We had come to celebrate the induction service of a friend and colleague. It was lovely as Ken and I took the weekend to again, slow down the pace of life and enjoy some simple things, like buying a bottle of wine and bringing it to a restaurant to enjoy with our meal. Something one can do in certain establishments in Montreal.

Once again, I am here for a week. As before, it is a time to slow down the pace of life for a few days. Ministry is filled with days of planning, visiting when I can, following up with phone calls, texts, and emails, meetings, gatherings, of course worship as well as a list of "things they never taught you in seminary!" I am never bored, and I love that this is what I get to do with my days. Still, there are times when it is wonderful to let go of these things and spend a little time in learning, rest, and renewal. And this is what my time in Montreal is allowing. I am grateful that I am part of a denomination that emphasizes the importance of rest and learning, one that allows for this kind of time out through study leave.

I pray that each of you has days, parts of days, or even moments, that feel as though you are being renewed, whether working, parenting, or well into retirement and those later years of life. Times where you know God is present. Times that you have good people around you. Times where you take a moment to give thanks, enjoy others, and can stand in awe of creation and your own value as part of God's good creation. I thank God for you.

GRADUATION TIME

Caring & Contact would like to recognize graduates by sending congratulatory notes to them on their academic achievements. If you are aware of anyone who is graduating or has graduated from high school, college or university this year, please let the Church now.



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.

SEEKERS YEAR END DINNER

For their final meeting, before summer break, Seekers will be gathering on **Wednesday June 7** at Tony Roma's. New members are welcome.

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

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