St. Andrew's News www.standrewspres-tbay.ca May 7th, 2023 facebook Restoning! Responding! Rejoicing! WEEK OF MAY 7 - 14, 2023 PRAYER PARTNERSHIP **Sunday, May 7** We give thanks for the hope and Sun May 7 - Seekers Coffee Hour after Worship empowerment that Presbyterian World Service & Sun May 7 - St. Andrew's Study Class @ 12:30pm Development and its partners bring to women in Tues May 9 - Session Meeting @ 7:00pm Sun May 14 - St. Andrew's Study Class @ 12:30pm Guatemala. Monday, May 8 We pray for the people, ministries **SUMMER CAMP** and mission of the Presbytery of Lindsay-The Presbytery of Superior and the United Church Peterborough in Ontario. are joining together this summer to present Camp Tuesday, May 9 We pray for the members and Duncan! This weeklong overnight camp runs work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations July 9-15th and is for kids entering grades 3-8 this Committee. fall. Come out for a week of fun, nature, and Wednesday, May 10 We pray for God's healing community! We are also looking for volunteers for love for those overcoming leprosy and tuberculosis counsellors, kitchen staff, and lifequards. Forms at the Shining Hospital in Nepal, supported by the are now available at the church or online at our church through Presbyterian World Service & website. If you have any questions please contact Development. Will Newton (newton9455@hotmail.com). Hope to see you this summer! Thursday, May 11 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of If you would like to donate to camperships, Pickering in Ontario. please mark your envelope with Friday, May 12 We pray for the members and work CHURCH CAMP and the amount. of the Committee on History. LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE Saturday, May 13 We celebrate and thank God for Lunch with a Difference is coming back! all the students graduating from the PCC's After three years St. Andrew's will host our lunch theological colleges this May. We pray for God's again on Wednesday June 7 at 12pm. guidance as they discern their futures and embark on their next steps in ministry. Following that, Lunch with a Difference will return once every month starting in October. PCC MISSION MOMENTS Please RSVP to the Office Administrator by In Guatemala, Amalia López Pérez de Coronado is June 1st. A minimum suggested donation of \$10 a member of a women's group that engages in will be collected at the door discussions about oppression, marginalization and **55 PLUS CENTRE EVENTS** violence against women. With the support of Presbyterian World Service & Development and CPR and AED local partner, AMMID, the group hosts Superior North Emergency Medical Services will be offering a Free CPR and AED information and workshops that promote women's empowerment by teaching women about their training event for older adults on Wednesday rights, including their right to participate in June 14 from 10am-12pm at 700 River St. decision-making structures at both the Registration is free. Please call 684-3276 to community and municipal levels. Through these reserve a seat. workshops, Amalia has gained a sense of WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY BBQ confidence that has allowed her to participate fully Thursday June 15 at 12pm at 700 River St. and freely in many different organizations. She's Call 684-3066 to register also inspired other women in her community to do the same. Expressing her gratitude for the PLUS organizations that make these initiatives possible, Amalia affirmed, "I am grateful to AMMID for

supporting women."

From Joyce

One of the things that has come out of the New Beginnings discussions and the Implementation team is around worship. Not surprising, as that is what we do together on a weekly basis. And I have to say, I have been longing to have a group of people come together to plan worship with me. There are a number of reasons for this. One is that I like working with people and seeing the creativity that comes from a group. I believe the Holy Spirit works when two or three or more are gathered together and that the shape and form of worship can be diverse. I also know myself well, and being accountable to others is an important part of my long-term planning and personal growth. To be straight up, in the Presbyterian Church "the minister is responsible for the conduct and content of public worship" (Book of Forms section111), but that does not preclude me from having people with gifts of creativity and insight to join with me in that work.

So, if you feel a nudging to participate in this work, I would love to hear from you. Notice this is about participating. This is not a group for sitting back and just giving your opinion. This is about actively participating in the work of this part of our ministry. It does not mean that you have to present things in worship, though there are certainly opportunities for that. Your participation and creativity can be expressed in the ways that are in line with the gifts of yourself that you bring to the team.

This can be a long-term commitment, or you can come and just check it out. You may be someone who wants to help plan for the fall, Christmas, Easter, or another season of the church year. If you want to come on board for a time or a season, I welcome that short term commitment as well. 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. My prayer is that those who join with me in this work will find great joy and satisfaction in being a part of the worship team. The first meeting to begin planning for the fall through to Christmas will be Wednesday June 14th at 7:00pm. I am giving this notice far in advance so that you can prayerfully consider your interest and call to this part of St. Andrew's ministry. If you have questions, I am pretty easy to find, so don't hesitate to connect with me.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



'Stewardship' has become associated with little more than church management and finances.
'Stewardship' itself should represent the summing up of a Christian life.

> Douglas John Hall – minister, professor at McGill University

Offerings can be sent via etransfer to <u>offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net</u>

FOOD BANK DRIVE

St. Andrew's will hold a Food Bank Drive from Sunday April 16 to 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.

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