



St. Andrew's News

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June 11th, 2023

Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!



PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Sunday, June 11 We pray for the homeless and underhoused and that their needs for shelter, food and medical assistance are met.

Monday, June 12 We pray for the Rev. Lara Scholey, who serves as the denominational representative to the Interfaith Committee on Canadian Military Chaplaincy.

Tuesday, June 13 We pray for those who are considering theological education at the Presbyterian colleges. May they have open hearts, clear callings and God's sustaining presence.

Wednesday, June 14 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry in Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their ministry.

Thursday, June 15 We pray for leaders of PCC camps as they plan for another summer filled with exciting programs and activities.

Friday, June 16 We pray for Reserve Force Chaplains, who serve in the church as civilians and in the nation as chaplains.

Saturday, June 17 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of West Toronto in Ontario.

WEEK OF JUNE 11 - 18, 2023

Sun June 11 - Potluck/Murder Mystery @ 12:30pm

Tues June 13 - Session Meeting @ 6:00pm

Sun June 18 - National Indigenous Peoples Sunday

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

Sunday services will begin at 10:00am starting on **Sunday June 18**.

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.

PRIDE MARCH

This year St. Andrew's will be participating in the Pride March on **Saturday June 17**, under the group name Presbyterian Pride. This year's pride march will start at the historical starting point of Waverly Park at the bandstand; meet there for 9am. We will then head down Red River, turn on Algoma, Camelot, to Cumberland and end at the Street Festival on Red River intersection. We welcome everyone to join us in the march that will remain on the sidewalks for safety. No cars or floats will be permitted.

THANK YOU

We would like to send out a huge thank you to Jan Sewell and everyone who helped put together Lunch with a Difference this past Wednesday. And another thank you to those you were able to come and gather for a meal and time of fellowship. We look forward to seeing everyone again when we restart in October.

From Jamie Gerow

As I approach retirement at the end of June, this is the last Sunday with the choir. They will be returning in September. I have the utmost regard for the members that have committed themselves to augmenting our worship through music over the past five years: Terry Wainwright, Al Wainwright, Kathy Hebert, Mary Ann Tuomi, Maryellen Fleming, Lana Lang, Margo Rahmer, Nonie Marsh, June Martinsen, Myrna Anderson, Mary Loney, Fred Dewsberry, Sandra Dewsberry, Adrienne Dewsberry, Jyoti Kumar, David Abodunrin Babatunde, Opeyemi-Aroso, Judy Sennett, Seonaid Gerow, Joyce Yanishewski, Connor Curran and Rebecca Krawczuk. Change is inevitable. Growth is optional. This is an opportunity to grow and I pray for the new beginning of music in our church.

Thank you all for your support.





From Joyce

I have been struggling of late, trying to figure out how to share with everyone the things that are being spoken about and shared, pondered and imagined as we have been going through this New Beginnings process. From the Session, to Facilities and Finance, the Implementation team and even the choir and church groups, each has had some part in the discussions that are New Beginnings. It is hard to give hard evidence that things are happening and people are at work, yet so many, if not nearly every conversation has an element of "how does this fit with New Beginnings?" There are so many ways that this congregation could potentially be in this community and partnering with others, ways that we could be emboldened and nurtured in our times of worship.

Since November the Implementation team has been working out next steps. The scope of the conversations has been so sweeping that it has taken us time to narrow down where to put energies and with whom to connect in the community to investigate those narrowed down possibilities. At this point what I feel, and might even boldly say I know, is that prayer is something that each of us can do as individuals and together so that we can discern what God is up to in our midst as we continue this work of New Beginnings. The work and joy of prayer is not for the minister to do alone, it is not even for the Session to do alone, it is the work of the community of faith. To that end, I would encourage you to pray for our church and for the ways that God will lead us. You may wish to use Ephesians 3:14-21 as the power of prayer as a community will impact the course of our ministry. I have adapted the scripture for your use on behalf of the congregation.

We pray...

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of God's glory, God may grant that St. Andrew's may be strengthened in our inner being with power through the Holy Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith, as we are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that St. Andrew's may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen. *Adapted from the New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989 National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide. <http://nrsvbibles.org>

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

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.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - 8:30am - 12:30pm
Tuesday-Friday - 9:00am - 1:00pm
HAVE A FUN AND SAFE SUMMER

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost.

*Saint Ignatius of Loyola –
Catholic priest and theologian*

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