



St. Andrew's News

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June 4th, 2023



Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Sunday, June 4 (Trinity Sunday/General Assembly Sunday) We pray for the commissioners, young adult representatives and national office staff as they gather for the 148th General Assembly of The Presbyterian Church in Canada in Halifax, Nova Scotia, to learn, worship and discern Christ's will for God's church at work in the world.

Monday, June 5 As the 2023 General Assembly of the PCC begins, we pray that God blesses the church with the gift of the Spirit and opens the hearts and minds of those participating in the Assembly.

Tuesday, June 6 We pray for the committee conveners, clerks and staff of the General Assembly as they help commissioners discern the mind of Christ.

Wednesday, June 7 We give thanks for the commissioners who participated in the 2023 General Assembly, along with the committee conveners, clerks and staff who provided support and guidance under the direction of the Holy Spirit.

Thursday, June 8 (World Oceans Day) We pray for the integrity of ocean ecosystems, and for an increasing reduction of plastics pollution, acidification and unsustainable ocean resource extraction.

Friday, June 9 As we mark one year since the church adopted the confession to God and LGBTQI people, we pray that the God of justice and mercy gives us courage and hope as we engage in the work of repairing, restoring, reconciling and healing the harm the church has caused by excluding and marginalizing LGBTQI2+ people.

Saturday, June 10 We celebrate and give thanks for the recipient of the 2023 Cutting Edge of Mission award, Parents Circle-Families Forum, a joint Israeli-Palestinian organization of over 600 families working towards reconciliation and peace.

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.

WEEK OF JUNE 4 - 11, 2023

Sun June 4 - Pride Sunday

Wed June 7 - :Lunch with a Difference @ 12:00pm

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

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.

ST. ANDREW'S FUNDRAISING

The start of our 2023 fundraising efforts have been very plentiful as we wind down for the summer. We look forward to doing more events when we resume in the fall. Thank you to all our volunteers that donated their talents and time. Here is what all your hard work accomplished.

Flea Market.....	\$906.50
Bake Sale.....	\$782.90
Syria/Turkiye.....	\$665.45
Books.....	\$233.25
Ukraine.....	\$190.00
TOTAL.....	\$2,778.10

Our flea market funds go towards our Sunday School sponsored child, Glenda Rosario.

Our Lenten Coin Calendars were a great success for Syria/Turkiye; thank you to all who participated.

We have raised a total of \$534.00 for Ukraine since 2022.

THANK YOU





From Joyce

Today is our congregation's designated Pride Sunday, it is the 1st Sunday after Pentecost also known as Trinity Sunday and it is General Assembly Sunday. Let me tell you a little about General Assembly. Today is the start of The Presbyterian Church in Canada's yearly Assembly. The following is taken right from the PCC website, "The 2023 General Assembly will be from Sunday June 4 to Wednesday June 7, and will be held in-person at St. Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. This in-person gathering provides an opportunity for the church to consider matters affecting the ministry and mission of our denomination. The Assembly considers matters affecting the ministry and mission of our denomination. Commissioners, who are responsible for the business of Assembly, will discern and make decisions. At Assembly, commissioners, young adult and student representatives will welcome ecumenical and interfaith guests."

"Reports to the 2023 General Assembly are available on PC-Biz for both commissioners and others to see. PC-Biz is the online platform that delivers all the reports to the General Assembly. Also, all information relating to the Assembly will be found on PC-Biz in the resource tab. Anyone can visit assembly.presbyterian.ca even without needing to log in to an account. Simply visit the 'Committee' tab and use the drop down menu to see each committee's report, summary and recommendations. Make sure that the 'Event' tab next to 'Committee' says 2023 General Assembly."

Margo Rahmer, an elder from our congregation, is the ruling elder representative and Rev. Markus Arseneault, of Lakeview Presbyterian, will be there as the teaching (minister) elder from our Presbytery of Superior. Please hold Margo and Markus, along with all the commissioners and resource people in prayer. Particularly hold in prayer The Rev. Mary Fontaine, founding director of Hummingbird Ministries in Vancouver, B.C. as she leads the Assembly as Moderator. You can find all kinds of information and follow the assembly by going to the PCC website at [The Presbyterian Church in Canada](https://ThePresbyterianChurchinCanada.ca)

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



You received without payment;
give without payment.

Matthew 10:8

Offerings can be sent via etransfer to
offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

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.

FOOD BANK DRIVE

This is the last week to get food donations in for our food bank. 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.

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

SEEKERS YEAR END DINNER

For their final meeting, before summer break, Seekers will be gathering at Tony Roma's on **Wednesday June 7** at 5:00pm. New members are welcome.

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.

A minimum suggested donation of \$10 will be collected at the door

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