



St. Andrew's News

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October 1st, 2023

Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

Psalm 24

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sun Oct 1 - Souper Sunday

Tues Oct 3 - Seekers Meeting @ 11:00am

Wed Oct 4 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am

Wed Oct 4 - The Music Class® @ 4:00pm

Wed Oct 4 - The Music Class® @ 5:15pm

Thurs Oct 5 - The Music Class® @ 11:00am

Thurs Oct 5 - Facilities & Finance Meeting @ 1pm

LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE

Lunch with a Difference will be held Wednesday October 18 at 12:15pm. If you are interested in this time of fellowship and food, please contact the church or Jan Sewell at 807-620-8226.

There are sign up sheets at the back of the sanctuary and in the front office. We look forward to seeing you there.

SHORTBREAD FOR FALL 2023

St. Andrew's is going ahead with our shortbread sales again this year! The shortbread sales have become our major fundraiser since Covid. The church has purchased 200lbs of butter and it will take many hands and a lot of people willing to turn multiple pounds of butter into shortbread in order to pull this off again this year. This particular project not only provides fundraising dollars toward the work and ministry of the congregation but brings a whole lot of joy to those who purchase the shortbread. If you can commit to baking, please call the office and leave your name and contact information with Shaundra and if you can estimate

the pounds of butter you can turn into shortbread that would also be helpful as well. Looking forward to seeing what we can accomplish!



ELDER ELECTIONS

The Session has been and continues to be a strong leadership team consisting of seven active elders; Fred Dewsberry, Marilyn Garton, Susan Dynes, Nonie Marsh, Lynda McKeown, Margo Rahmer and Judy Persian. At this time we are looking for new members to join St. Andrew's Session.

There will be a nomination period that runs from September 17 – October 8th in order to prepare a ballot of nominees. Nominations from members must be in writing and made by at least two persons, either separately or together. Forms can be found at the back of the sanctuary or in the front office. Please leave sealed nominations in the front office. Should you have any questions about this first step please connect with Rev. Joyce. It would be my honour to speak to you and provide you with information on what it means to be an elder in the PCC.

MISSION & OUTREACH

Beginning today Mission & Outreach will be having a Food Bank Drive. Some of the most needed items include canned fish and meat, canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, pasta and sauce, stew, canned juice, and cereal. This drive will end Sunday November 19. St. Andrew's is known for its generosity and its donations of baby food.

LIFEWATER CANADA FUNDRAISER

The Prospector Steak House is once again donating their fabulous buns in support of Lifewater Canada.

Buns including garlic butter, are \$5.00/doz

Pick up will be 1:00PM - 2:00PM on Saturday October 07, 2023. You will receive an emailed confirmation within 24 hours of placing your order. The confirmation will include payment and pick-up details.

Please email your order to shirleyvandyken@lifewater.ca and include:

- full name
- cell number
- address
- number of dozen

Deadline to order is NOON on
Thursday October 05, 2022

From Joyce



Today we celebrate World Communion Sunday. We may not realize the significance or history of what we are doing when we participate in communion today. Here is a little background...*

World Communion Sunday...is a gift of the Presbyterian Church [US] to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor.

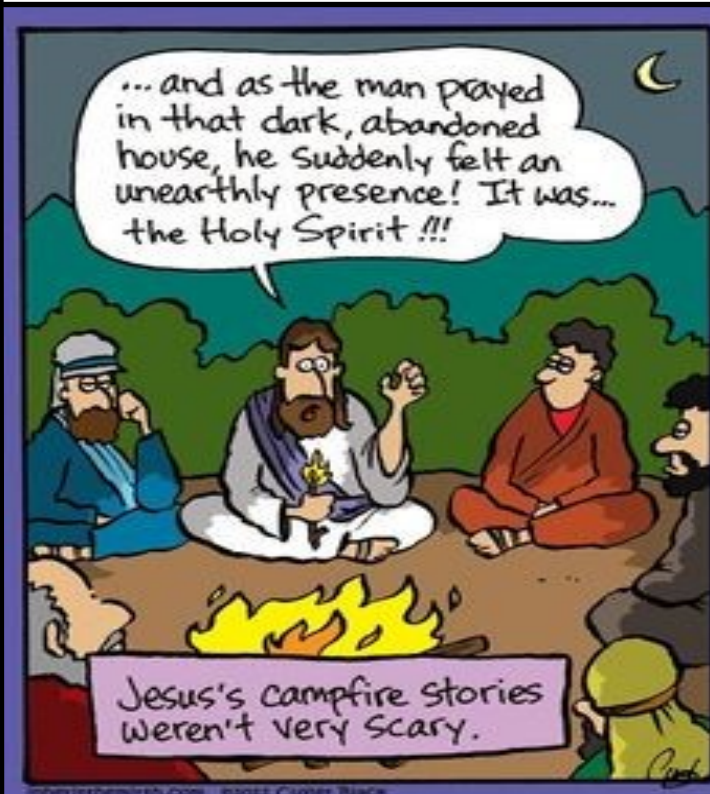
John A. Dalles, a PCUSA pastor who has researched the history of World Communion Sunday notes this in his blog entry, reprinted from the October 7, 2002, issue of *Presbyterian Outlook*:

Davitt S. Bell (the late Clerk of Session and church historian at Shadyside) recalled that Dr. Kerr first conceived the notion of World Communion Sunday during his year as moderator of the General Assembly (1930). Dr. Kerr's younger son, the Rev. Dr. Donald Craig Kerr, who is pastor emeritus of the Roland Park Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, was sixteen in 1933. He has related that World Communion Sunday grew out of the Division of Stewardship at Shadyside. It was their attempt to bring churches together in a service of Christian unity—in which everyone might receive both inspiration and information, and above all, to know how important the Church of Jesus Christ is, and how each congregation is interconnected one with another. When I asked Donald Kerr how the idea of World Communion Sunday spread from that first service to the world wide practice of today, this is what he replied,

"The concept spread very slowly at the start. People did not give it a whole lot of thought. It was during the Second World War that the spirit caught hold, because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn't until 1940 when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread. Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.

*[Presbyterian Mission Agency World Communion Sunday](#) | [The Church Calendar](#) | [Presbyterian Mission Agency](#)



SUMMER CAMP UPDATE

Thank you! From donations received from people in the congregation we were able to send \$460.00 to the Summer Camp Committee to be used as directed by the donors. The summer camp provided an opportunity for children ages 6-13 to have a great deal of fun, experience the outdoors at Camp Duncan on East Loon Lake, and to learn about God's love for them and others. The camp was a joint effort of the Presbyterian and United Churches of Thunder Bay.

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