



# St. Andrew's News

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*Responding!*

*Restoring!*

*Rejoicing!*



## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS



Gratitude becomes a quality of our hearts that allows us to live joyfully and peacefully even though our struggles continue.

*Henri Nouwen  
priest, professor, writer*

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sun Nov 5 - All Saints Sunday/Souper Sunday  
Tues Nov 7 - Seekers Meeting @ 11:00am  
Tues Nov 7 - St. Aidan's Meeting @ 11:30am  
Wed Nov 8 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am  
Wed Nov 8 - The Music Class® @ 4:00pm  
Wed Nov 8 - The Music Class® @ 5:15pm  
Thurs Nov 9 - The Music Class® @ 11:00am  
Sun Nov 12 - Remembrance Sunday Coffee Hour

## A SPECIAL WELCOME

A warm welcome is extended to families of those whose names are being remembered during our service today. May you know our love for you and that you are held in prayer as we light a candle of remembrance.

## LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE

Lunch with a Difference will be held Wednesday November 15 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.

We will have a guest speaker during lunch to discuss and provide information to help identify the signs and symptoms of elder abuse and provide resources for reporting and support.

The Blood Pressure Clinic will also be open during Lunch with a Difference

## ELDER ELECTIONS

The current Session members are pleased to announce the following people have been elected to Session as Elders.

Larry Eyres	Darlene Lehto
Sandra Dewsberry	Jeff Rawana
Kelli Eyres	Derek Buttars

On **November 19** we will be having a ordination/admission service for our new Elders.

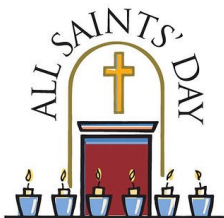
## MISSION & OUTREACH

Mission & Outreach has begun their 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.



## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Today our Worship Service will provide an opportunity to remember those that have passed and light a candle in their honour and memory. Lunch to follow.



## SOUPER SUNDAY

Please join us after Worship today in Rowand Hall for lunch and fellowship.



## GUEST MUSICIANS IN WORSHIP

Thank you to Mary Welby, cellist, for sharing her gift of music as part of our worship service today.



## ST. ANDREW'S BAZAAR

The annual Bazaar will be held on **Saturday November 18** from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Admission to the Bazaar is free.

There will be hotdogs and refreshments, a bake table, knitting, jewellery, country store, Paintings and Cards by Judy Persian, book room, a Christmas room and...

**PICTURES WITH SANTA!**

~Everyone is Welcome~



### From Joyce



Though it has been a couple of weeks since the preaching conference I attended, I still have pieces that are sitting with me. The title of the conference was Amazing Grace. The first hymn of the event was Amazing Grace. Now I will tell you that Amazing Grace has not been one of my favourite hymns for sometime, but in this setting, a setting of hope and anticipation I felt a little shift. Those words were presented to us in word, prayer, and song. I thought about it as I reflected on my own ministry and especially St. Andrew's, but also First Presbyterian, St. Andrew's and St. James Shared Ministry in Geraldton. I thought about how we can share the amazing and generous grace of God with our city. I considered how much I pray and hope that grace will overflow from our church communities to others. I thought about how I desired to have grace enfold me so that all that comes to me and all that goes from me is the grace of God from and toward others. I experienced grace as I shared a sermon with a small group who held me in grace and shared insights about my preaching in a space of grace.

It is always the hope of organizers of such a conference that people will go away having experienced something of benefit, in this case for our preaching and ministry, and I was not disappointed. You will likely find that this theme of grace permeates my sermons for a time. Having said that, it already has been. The sermon I chose to share with my colleagues was from September 24 of this year and the title was Generous Grace. This conference deepened and affirmed my understanding.

As the conference closed, the final hymn was again Amazing Grace. I sang it, this time with tears and thanksgiving. I give thanks for the amazing grace of God in my life and know that God's amazing and generous grace is the reality for each of us each day, even when we are not aware. May our lives be an example of the breath of God's grace in the world.

THEY'VE COME UP WITH  
SOMETHING CALLED  
"DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME,"  
AND I'M DARNED IF I  
CAN UNDERSTAND IT!



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### SHORTBREAD 2023

Shortbread presale orders are closed and we need all the help we can get to fill them. Butter is still available for pickup and we are planning to start packing shortbread on Nov. 9 & 16 at 1pm. If you are able to bake or help on any of the packing days, please contact the church office to volunteer or get in touch with Susan Dynes.

Thank you to those who have already volunteered. Many hands make light work!



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*stay safe*