



St. Andrew's News

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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart.

John Wesley – English cleric, theologian, and evangelist

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

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be on February 11, 2023.

SIGN UP FOR THE MUSIC CLASS®



For infants up to 4 yrs old, register for fun filled classes of singing, dancing, movement and instrument play. Parents learn how to enrich their child's music environment, increase music potential and understand music development.

Wednesday evening (5:15pm - 6:00pm) or Thursday morning classes (11:00am - 11:45am) are available. The cost is \$130 for the first child & \$90 for the second child from the same family. The program runs from Feb 14 - April 25. Contact Joyce at **632-8348** to register or for more information.

LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE

Please join us on Wednesday February 14 at 12:15pm for Lunch with a Difference. A minimum donation of \$10 is appreciated. RSVP to the Office Administrator at 807-622-4273

BEGINNING OF LENT

Wednesday February 14 at 7:30pm
Ash Wednesday

Sunday February 18 at 11:00am
Worship with Communion

TRIVIA PRIZES

We are currently seeking prize donations for our upcoming trivia night. Gift cards, new or nearly new items, etc. If you have something that you would like to donate as a prize please contact our Office Administrator 807-622-4273

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tues Feb 6 - Bazaar Meeting @ 11:00am
Wed Feb 7 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am
Sun Feb 11 - Annual Meeting @ 12:00pm

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Presents



FRIDAY MARCH 22, 2024

Doors Open at 5pm ❖ Trivia starts at 6pm

Knights of Columbus Centre

301 May St S, Thunder Bay

A Buffet Dinner and Coffee & Tea will be Provided

Tickets are \$50 per person

Tables of 8 available

Only 30 tables for purchase, so book early!

Tickets can be purchased at

**St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church
207 Brodie St. S.
807-622-4273**

**Calico Coffeehouse
316 Bay St
807-766-9087**

! PRIZE FOR BEST GROUP COSTUME !

INVITATION FROM FIRST PRES

First Presbyterian invites you to join them for an activities in February!

February 5 & 19 is cards. We meet from 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Please use blue door for entry!

February 9 & 23 is crafts and conversation. Bring your project and enjoy the fellowship with other crafters. This group meets 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Everyone is welcome. Contact Sandy 577-9372 or Ruth 475-3106 for more information.



From Joyce

Grateful for a couple of weeks vacation in warm Hawaii to rest, be renewed, and experience another part of the world, I head into a month of annual meetings. Hence why Rev. Bert Vancook is leading worship at St. Andrew's today. Thank you, Bert!

Today I am with the congregation of First Presbyterian for worship and to moderate their annual meeting. Next week is St. Andrew's annual congregational meeting. The following week I will be at St. Andrew's to lead worship but following worship I will join by Zoom the annual meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian and St. James Anglican Shared Ministry in Geraldton.

One might consider skipping a Sunday where there is an annual meeting because one thinks it uninteresting, a waste of time, or numerous other reasons. Yet might I encourage you to come to the annual meeting as it is a time of checking in as a congregation, of celebrating what has been done in the past year while recognizing the struggles. The annual meeting helps us to acknowledge where we are at now and what we hope to do in the coming year and beyond. Our ministry is work done together; it is not something that just happens. Together we are responsible for the stewardship of the church's resources of time, money, and energy. Together we discern where God is leading us. Together we rejoice, make decisions, and work not just so the congregation can exist, but so we can thrive as a church that brings hope, love, and light into the community being people who respond to needs, restore people to wholeness, and rejoice in God and one another. I look forward to seeing you at the congregation's annual meeting!

THE 40 DAY JOURNEY

This Lent, The Presbyterian Church in Canada invites you to reflect on the work of the 14th Century Christian mystic Julian of Norwich's ideas. Using Lisa E. Dunhill's **40-Day Journey with Julian of Norwich**, readers will be guided through different sections such as "Biblical Wisdom," "Questions to Ponder," "Psalm Fragments," "Journal Reflections" exercises, and prayers to encounter Jesus "within a profoundly Trinitarian spirituality and a deep relational openness to all people, indeed, to all the cosmos." Dunhill describes Julian of Norwich's work as one that "will draw you deep into the mystery of God's unending love for you."

[Lent 2024: Presbyterians Read: A 40-Day Journey - The Presbyterian Church in Canada](#)

The Rev. Dr. Emily Bisset holds a ThD in homiletics (preaching), specializing in helping people of faith see their lives and the world. Emily will post thoughts, suggestions for further reading and devotion, encouragement and additional questions to consider. The link to the Facebook group where Emily will be posting is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2397226327195079>

Purchase a copy of the book on Amazon or Indigo

[40 Day Journey Julian Of Norw: Dahill, Lisa: 9780806680477: Books - Amazon.ca](#)

[40-Day Journey with Julian of Norwich | Indigo](#)

While this takes place online, we will also be hosting an in person study at St. Andrew's.

Connect with Susan Dynes 807-620-7605

BAZAAR NOVEMBER 2024

There will be a meeting on Tuesday February 6 at 11:00 am in Grant Hall for anyone interested in looking at how the Bazaar in November may take shape. If you had a hand in the bazaar last November or would be interested in being a part of the bazaar, if you have ideas that we can be curious about, then this is a meeting for you!

The Bazaar is following the path of the New Beginnings work we are doing as a whole in the congregation. We will look at what has worked, how things have changed, and what may be a new approach for this year. It is truly exciting to explore how we can make this fundraising work a time of joy and community

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