



# St. Andrew's News

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March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*Responding!*

*Restoring!*

*Rejoicing!*



## MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Wed. Feb. 21 - March 20 12:05pm- 12:30pm  
Songs for a Lifelong Journey: Service for Lent  
based on the Psalms of Ascent.

A time of fellowship will follow each service for  
those who may wish to bring a bag lunch or just  
join together to visit.

## WORSHIP SERIES FOR LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER: FREEDOM FROM FEAR

Throughout the gospels Jesus tells his followers or  
those around him, "Do not be afraid." Yet today  
fear plays an enormous part in our lives. This  
Season of Lent we will look at the times where  
Jesus said, "Don't be afraid" discovering what  
fears Jesus is releasing us from today.\*

March 10 Lent 4

*Fear of the Unexplainable* - Matthew 17:1-9

March 17 Lent 5

*Fear of Hell* - Luke 12:1-7

Guest Performer: Damian Rivers-Moore

*Thank you for sharing your gift of music with us!*

March 24 Palm Sunday

*Fear of Being Overtaken* - John 12:12-16

March 28 Maundy Thursday

Service with Communion 7:00pm

March 29 Good Friday

Service at 11:00am

March 31 Easter Sunday

*Fear of the Unknown* - Matthew 28:1-10

Service with Communion

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## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

How can we not be giddy with  
gratitude and reckless generosity for  
all the gifts God has given us?

*Steve Garnaas-Holmes – poet,  
songwriter, retired pastor*

Offerings can be sent via etransfer to  
[offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net](mailto:offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net)



## THANK YOU

Thank you to Susan Dynes for leading Worship  
today while Rev. Joyce is away.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tues Mar 12 - Session Meeting @ 7:00pm

Wed Mar 13 - Fun & Fitness @ 10:00am

Wed Mar 13 - Lenten Services @ 12:05pm

Thurs Mar 14 - Lenten Study Group @ 12:00pm

Sat Mar 16 - Shepherds Pie Making @ 8:00am

## EASTER MEMORIAL BOOKLET



It's time to be thinking about Easter,  
and the annual Memorial Booklet. If  
you would like your loved ones  
remembered in the booklet, please  
consider donating to the flower fund.

To ensure the names get in the  
booklet, please advise the office of  
name(s) and proper spelling by  
Monday March 25.

## MISSION & OUTREACH

Lent is a time of reflection and personal  
assessment. It is the ideal time to begin the first  
Mission and Outreach food bank drive.

Non-perishable food items will be accepted until  
Easter Sunday March 31. Please put  
us on your shopping list. Food Bank  
items in high demand include soup,  
pasta and sauce, cereal, canned  
vegetables and fruit, meat and fish  
and peanut butter. Consider  
including some of your favourites.



## ST. ANDREW'S SHEPHERD'S PIES

The chefs and friends of the Mission & Outreach  
Committee have once again donned their aprons to  
prepare yummy St. Andrew's Shepherd's Pie  
for you. Just heat, serve and enjoy!

This year all pies are the popular  
single serving size at \$8 each.

To claim one or more of these mouth  
-watering dinners, just add your  
name to the signup sheet posted  
outside the office.  
You'll love them!





## From Joyce

I have a great vantage point in the congregation in which I get to see, hear about, and experience so much of what is happening in this congregation. There are many ways our congregation is moving into our hoped-for outcomes from the New Beginnings program. Some of it is subtle, some more impactful. Last week I shared about the plans for accessible washrooms and that will be something that anyone who walks in our doors will see. What you may not be seeing are the ways the Worship Committee is helping me think through worship, the ways the choir is helping by recording new hymns for the online worship and making room and welcome for guest musicians. You don't see the work that a group is doing to reimagine our fall fundraiser or the work that Shaundra our office admin is putting into planning the Trivia night at the Columbus Centre. There is so much to see. Twenty-three little people ages a few months old to four years coming to The Music Class on Wednesdays and Thursdays with their parents, grandparents, or caregivers. Session and Facilities and Finance both working on behalf of the congregation to vision and care for people and property. Then there are those who enter the church on a Sunday and the individuals in the congregation who pay attention to those around them, saying hello and inviting them to sit down, guiding them through worship. Or those who take the time to sit down and have a conversation with a guest at a coffee hour, not because someone told them to, but because they choose to be a welcoming face, voice, and listening ear. Some guests end up following up with me but that happens because they got the welcome in the congregation first. There is a small group planning for workshops, the first of which will be held October 5<sup>th</sup> centered on well-being. How about the team coming together to make more shepherd's pies than you can dream with the proceeds from the sales going to support the work of Lifewater Canada and Shelter House? I share all of this to let you know that though we have much work to do to manage the funding of our ministry, ministry is happening, we are connecting with our community and looking for more ways to do so that lean into the mission statement that the congregation has said describes the people we want to be and become. I could not be more excited to be part of a ministry than the one at St. Andrew's! You are amazing!

### 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!**

We still have 20+ tables of 8 available for the Trivia Night. Please get your tickets soon! We've received amazing prizes for this event, along with a flat screen tv as the door prize. This will be a great event and lots of fun. Please contact the Office Administrator to get your tickets!

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Sunday, March 24th, 2024 at 11:00 am,  
during the regular Sunday service  
A creative activity will be offered for children and youth during this special Palm Sunday service.  
Please join us! We would love to see you!  
St. Andrew's will continue to offer

### TRIVIA PRIZES

We are currently seeking prize donations for our upcoming trivia night. Gift cards, new or nearly new items, or if you have any connections to businesses in town please connect with the Office Administrator 807-622-4273

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