



St. Andrew's News

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ROMANS FOR EVERYONE



Using N.T. Wright's *Romans for Everyone, Part 2: Chapters 9 - 16 (20th Anniversary Edition with Study Guide)*, we will be exploring the second half of Romans.

N.T. Wright is the Chair in New Testament and Early Christianity at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. He is the former Bishop of Durham in the Church of England, and is a prolific author and noted New Testament scholar. Writing in an approachable and anecdotal style, Wright helps us to see the great sweep of this letter. Romans has long been viewed as the book above all in which Paul puts forth the basic doctrines of the faith, and the picture of God's life for us. It is the classic setting-out of the Gospel.

This study will begin on **Thursday, March 6th** from **12:00 - 1:30pm**, and continue **every Thursday** until April 3rd. You can ask Rev. Joyce to help you secure a copy of the book.

This is shaping up to be an interesting time of learning, discussions, and connecting. If you have been looking for a way to engage with scripture and glean new insights this is a place for you.

SEEKERS MEETING

The next Seekers meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 4th** at **10am** (Eleanor Patterson Room.)

The Seekers are a women's group that has been part of the church for over 45 years, contributing to fellowship and fundraising. They are always open to those who wish to join or inquire.

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Wednesday - Friday, 9:00am - 1:00pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tues Feb 25 - St. Aidan's Guild @ 12pm

Wed Feb 26 - Fun & Fitness @ 10am

Wed Feb 26 - The Music Class @ 4pm & 5:15pm

Thurs Feb 27 - The Music Class @ 11am & 5:15pm

LENT & EASTER SERVICES

Despite the continued winter chill in the air, spring is coming, and that means we are moving into the season of Lent.



The schedule for Lenten services is as follows:

Ash Wednesday service
Wednesday, March 5th (7:00pm)

First Sunday of Lent, with communion
Sunday, March 9th (11:00am)

Mid-week Lenten services
every Wednesday in the Chapel (12:00pm)
Wednesday, March 12th - Wednesday, April 9th

Palm Sunday; Children's Sunday
Sunday, April 13th (11:00am)

Maundy Thursday service
Thursday, April 17th (7:00pm)

Good Friday service
Friday, April 18th (11:00am)

Easter Sunday service
Sunday, April 20th (11:00am)

TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

On **Friday, April 25th**, St. Andrew's will be hosting a Trivia Night fundraiser at the Slovak Legion Solarium at **6pm**. Tickets are \$25 per person, or \$200 per table of 8.



Food and drinks will be available for purchase. There will be prizes, games, and a silent auction! Please spread the word! Gather some friends, get your team together, and come out for a night of fun while supporting St. Andrew's!

Tickets can be purchased through the church office (office hours are 9am-1pm, Wednesday-Friday).
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From Joyce

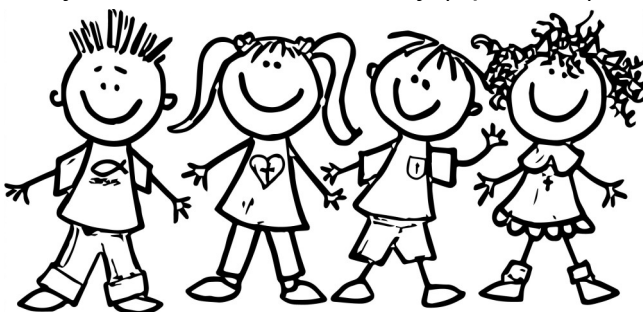


This Sunday is what we are calling Children's Sunday. We have scheduled six this year and each of these Sundays give us an opportunity for a special focus on children and youth in our services. Not only is there a planned special activity designed for the children, but the children and youth lead the congregation in worship through prayers, the reading of scripture, and sharing in other parts of the liturgy. Rather than having a children's story or children's time at the beginning of worship as we often do, the children come back from their activity or craft time later in the service and share with the rest of the congregation what they have been doing along with the meaning of their activity or discuss what they have created.

I truly appreciate the opportunity to lead worship alongside the children and youth. It is my desire that they see leading worship as something that is not just for the minister but for all of us. We value our families so much and desire to be able to fulfill our hope to raise children up in the knowledge of God's love for them. Worshiping together and having a focus on our families allows us to have them experience our family of faith.

We know that our families are busy. There are many things that children want to do and try, and parents want to give their children those opportunities, and the reality is that many of those things happen on Sundays. These Children's Sundays are a way to have families set aside a time in their schedules that may also open up opportunities to learn of God and grown in faith. The Christian faith is experienced most fully in community. Jesus never intended that we be Christians in isolation. Having every age from our youngest to our eldest know that we are at our best when we are together is a valuable thing to experience and understand.

Today we rejoice in worship as together we experience God moving in and through us in the love of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. And be sure to mark down our next Children's Sunday service on Palm Sunday (April 13th)!



MISSION MOMENT

Within the Northern New Brunswick Regional Ministry, there are many diverse communities, including farming, mining, and forestry, along with three First Nations communities, rural and urban populations, and a growing number of newcomers to Canada. At the heart of each congregation within the ministry is a genuine desire to be good neighbours and to improve the lives of those around them, even in small ways. This commitment is expressed through various initiatives, such as children's camps and programming, a senior's ministry serving nursing homes and shut-ins, and regular food distribution, as well as providing warm clothing and blankets for the homeless and facilitating access to addiction treatment centers. Through their outreach efforts, the congregations bear witness to their faith and actively fulfill Christ's mission in the region.

Mission Moments are short highlights of the mission and ministry that we are doing together in Canada and around the world through Presbyterians Sharing and Presbyterian World Service & Development.



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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The Bible uses the word *believe* 273 times.

It uses the word *pray* 371 times.

Love appears 714 times.

Give appears 2,172 times.



- Herb Miller (1936-2018), minister, author, editor

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SUMMER CAMP

Lakeview Presbyterian Church is in the early stages of planning summer camp for 2025!

They are looking to gauge interest from campers (grade 3 and up), as well as teenage/adult volunteers. If you think you might be interested, fill out the survey by scanning the QR code on the posters found on the bulletin boards around the church, or check out Lakeview's Facebook page.

