



St. Andrew's News

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TRIVIA NIGHT THANK YOU



A huge thank you to everyone who donated prizes, money, time, and energy into ensuring that last Friday's Trivia Night at the Slovak Legion was so much fun, and such a big success! We raised just over \$3,000! As well, we'd like to thank everyone who bought a ticket and came out to show their support. The proceeds will help to fund our church and ministry, and we could not have done it without the dedication of everyone involved. We are looking forward to next year!

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

- Tue May 6 - Seekers @ 11am
- Tue May 6 - TOPS @ 11am
- Tue May 6 - Session @ 7pm
- Wed May 7 - Fun & Fitness @ 10am
- Wed May 7 - Lunch with a Difference @ 12:15pm

SEEKERS MEETING

The next Seekers meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 6th at 11am** (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.

LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE



The Lunch With a Difference on **Wednesday, May 7th** will be the last lunch until the fall. Lunch is served at **12:15pm**. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the front office. If possible, a \$10 donation per guest is appreciated. Hope to see you there!

CHECK OUT THE HERITAGE WALL

The Heritage Committee has compiled a great variety of photos celebrating some recent events at St. Andrew's - the Annual Meeting, shepherd's pie preparation, and Palm (Children's) Sunday!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT



"For me, every hour is grace. And I feel gratitude in my heart each time I can look at [someone's] smile."

- Elie Wiesel (Writer, Professor, Activist)

Donations can be sent via e-transfer to offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

CAMP DUNCAN CLEAN-UP

On **Saturday, June 7th**, Camp Duncan is holding their annual clean-up day from 9am-4pm, and are looking for volunteers to help out. Lunch will be provided. This is a great opportunity for students looking for volunteer hours. See the poster on the bulletin board near the entrance for more info, or contact campduncan.secretary@gmail.com

FIRST-WESLEY EVENT

On **Wednesday, May 14th**, First-Westley United is hosting a Bridge, Whist, and Fashion Show Lunch at **12pm!** Featuring looks from The Little Mermaid, Vanderwees, and The Lewk. Call Kathleen to get your tickets! 807-577-1297; \$30; 130 Brodie St. N.

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SÉAN MCCANN CONCERT

Séan McCann, a founding member of the Canadian band Great Big Sea, will be performing a concert at St. Andrew's on **Friday, May 23rd**, at 7:00pm, as part of his "Great Big Canadian Road Trip" tour.

Tickets can be purchased in advance, online at seanmccannsings.com (\$25 plus fees), or at the door (\$40, cash only).



From Joyce



This past week I have been at what is called the Clerk's Consultation for the Presbyterian Church in Canada (PCC).

One of our Elders, Fred Dewsberry, was also present for the event. I was there as the Clerk of the Synod of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario and Fred as Clerk of the Presbytery of Superior. This consultation takes place once every two years. Clerks do a number of the administrative tasks for their respective working groups. Our church also has a Clerk of the Session, who is Darlene Niemi-Lehto. This particular consultation is geared to the Synods and Presbytery Clerks. Our job descriptions start with being minute takers, but we are also consultants as we become the ones who find the answers to many of the procedural questions that can come up with the work of being and doing church. The work of a clerk often goes beyond the job description given when we take on the task of being clerk, and the things we are called on to do vary with the needs and transitions in any given Synod or Presbytery. The consultation is an opportunity for learning together, sharing concerns, and connecting with the PCC's national office staff who are often our first call when we need guidance. It is also an opportunity to network and find support with each other in the work that we do. It is not glamorous work or even work that most people are even aware is happening, but it is important work as clerks are connectors, communicators, and aid in the ongoing work of being the church, not only as individual congregations, but as part of the whole that is the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

SUMMER CAMP



The Presbytery of Superior is thrilled to once again be hosting **Pres-B-Camp!**

Camp is open to children who will be entering grades 3-8 in 2025, and will run at Camp Duncan on Loon Lake from **July 20th - 26th**. No church affiliation is required - all are welcome!

Registration is due **June 15th**. Forms are available in the front office, and on our website. For more information, or to return completed forms, please contact Lakeview Presbyterian Church at 807-345-8823, or Linda McCutcheon at linda.mccutcheon.lm@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN BAPTISM OR PROFESSION OF FAITH?

Classes are being offered for those who would like to learn more about baptism, or affirm their baptism. At one time the Affirmation of Baptism was called confirmation. This is an opportunity for participants to make a public affirmation of faith. If one chooses to make this affirmation of faith after going through the classes, it leads to formally having one's name added to what we in the Presbyterian Church call "The Roll". The Roll being the list of names of people who have chosen to make official their ties to the Christian Church, and St. Andrew's in particular.



Classes are being offered on Wednesday evenings 7:00– 8:30pm **May 7, 21, 28,** and **June 11, 18, 25**. Please contact Rev. Joyce if you are interested. This study is open for all and will be offered both in person and online.

MISSION MOMENT

Through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, the Presbyterian Church in Canada supports many vital outreach ministries across Canada. One such ministry is Rivière des Prairies, a mission of the Presbytery of Montreal that plays a significant role in outreach within the city's east end. This mission focuses on connecting with immigrants where there is a growing presence of new Canadians, mainly from Cameroon. Rivière des Prairies celebrates multilingualism in its church services and children's programming, creating an open and welcoming space for newcomers to Canada. Through these efforts, the mission fosters a strong sense of community and supports individuals on their shared faith journey.

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.

UPCOMING SERVICES

On **May 18th**, Rev. Bert Vancook will be leading the Sunday service. The following week, **May 25th**, we will celebrate both **Anniversary Sunday** as well as the final **Children's Sunday** of the season with a Communion service.

COFFEE HOUR

Please join us for a coffee hour in Rowand Hall, hosted by the Seekers, immediately following today's service.

