



St. Andrew's News

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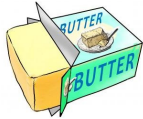
Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!



SHORTBREAD UPDATE



Thanks to the dedication of our congregation, we have already acquired well over 200 pounds of butter, which will be used to make shortbread for our annual sale! But the more butter we have, the better, as this initiative is one of the most important for St. Andrew's. If you see **salted butter** on sale, please consider buying some. It can be brought to the church any Sunday, or during office hours, to be stored in the freezer until it is needed. We will gratefully accept butter donations, but receipts can also be submitted to the church office for reimbursement.

As well, if you plan on baking this year (and we hope many of you will!), consider picking up **flour** if you happen to see it on sale. And if you have any **shortbread tins**, we are still accepting those too. More details about making and purchasing shortbread will follow very soon!

TABLET FOUND



A **Samsung tablet** was recently found in the church, though it's unknown how long it had been there. If you believe it is yours, or know who the owner may be, please contact the church office. Please note that a description of the case, as well as the correct passcode will be required in order to ensure it returns to its rightful owner.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tue Aug 26 - TOPS @ 11am

HOLISTIC WELLNESS WORKSHOP



St. Andrew's is excited to announce the return of our Holistic Wellness Workshop! This will be a full day of learning from a panel of diverse presenters who will share with us their individual areas of expertise, knowledge, and experience. This workshop is designed to help us on our own personal journeys of self-care and wellness.

The event will be held at St. Andrew's on **Saturday, October 4th**, from **9:00am-4:15pm**. Lunch and refreshments will be provided, and there will be draws for prizes! Tickets are \$65 each, and are limited, so book yours today! And please spread the word - share our post on Facebook, or request printed posters from the church office. To register, please contact the office at 807-622-4273, or office.standrewspres@tbaytel.net.

UPCOMING SERVICES

St. Andrew's is pleased to announce that the next **Children's Sunday** will be held on Sunday, **September 21st**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to engage our church's youngest members through a special creative activity.



September 21st will also be our annual **Blessing of the Backpacks**, during which children and youth who have returned to school or daycare may bring their backpack to church to receive a special bag tag as a reminder that "God's got their back!"

The following Sunday, **September 28th**, is **Orange Shirt Sunday**, and we encourage all to wear orange as we honour those impacted by the residential school system.

PRIDE RESCHEDULED

Thunder Pride has rescheduled their Pride event for Saturday, **October 4th** at the CLE Coliseum from 1pm - 9pm, featuring vendors, food, entertainment, and more! Instead of a parade, there will be a march around the block at 1pm.

I WAS THIRSTY UPDATE



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I WAS THIRSTY continues to make an impact in our community!

There is still opportunity to volunteer, donate, and to spread the word! Visit the Facebook page, or iwasthirsty.ca

Donations can be made to St. Andrew's, either in person or at offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net (please mark donations "I Was Thirsty"), and on our website, standrewspres-tbay.ca, via CanadaHelps. To learn more, or to volunteer, contact Lorne Clifford at 807-629-2631, or cliffordlorne@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT UPDATE ABOUT RESERVING CHURCH SPACE



Over the past year, St. Andrew's has been very fortunate to see use of our church increase significantly.

This is through a combination of both outside renters, as well as our own internal activities. Once we move into the fall, the church will only get busier. In order to avoid any confusion or booking conflicts, it is important that everyone is aware of the process for reserving church space.

The front office now has a calendar that lists all of the dates and times at which the various rooms in the church are booked. Please note that this calendar is for reference use only, and not to be filled out by anyone other than the administrative assistant. **If you wish to book space, please contact the office with as much advance notice as possible. This applies to all, including events and meetings that have been longstanding or ongoing.** It also applies to any prep time that may be necessary, not just the activity itself.

As more people use this space, it has become more important to be clear and thorough in our booking process. We are grateful for all who use our church, and appreciate your co-operation in ensuring that everyone is able to do so!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"Every time I take a step in the direction of generosity, I know I am moving from fear to love."

- Henri Nouwen (priest, professor, writer)

Donations to St. Andrew's can be sent via e-transfer to
offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

DAILY PRAYERS

August 24 We thank God for the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean's many decades as Mission Staff of the PCC serving with the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan and we pray for God's generous blessings in his retirement.

August 25 We pray for the people, ministries, and mission of the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod.

August 26 We give thanks for the creatures great and small at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre: chickens, pigs, ducks, sheep, cows, bees and quail. May they bless and inspire the guests who visit the farm this summer.

August 27 We pray for the members and work of the Gender, Sexuality and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

August 28 We pray for Nicaraguans facing serious economic hardship and for PWS&D's partner, which is helping build livelihoods for families and communities.

August 29 We pray for the Rev. Sumarme Goble as she extends Christ's love and hospitality to new and returning residents at St Andrew's Hall. Rev. Goble offers Bible study, weekly worship, soup nights and programs including Alpha and Sanctuary mental health for students.

August 30 We pray for clergy who are beginning their service in active ministry, as well as for clergy who are ending their service in active ministry as they enter retirement.

MISSION MOMENT

For the past four decades, the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean has been a living link between The Presbyterian Church in Canada and one of its oldest mission partners, The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. Along with teams of pastors and elders, Paul worked to produce accurate translations of the Hebrew Old Testament and Greek New Testament in Hakka and many other Indigenous languages of Taiwan. Paul recently retired as mission staff of the PCC. We give thanks for Paul and his ministry. In "retirement," Paul will continue supporting translation teams in Taiwan until the end of 2026, serving as a Bible Society in Taiwan translation consultant while also mentoring younger translation officers.

Mission Moments are short highlights of the mission and ministry in Canada and around the world supported by Presbyterians Sharing, and Presbyterian World Service & Development.