



St. Andrew's News

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Responding! Restoring! Rejoicing!



MIDDLE EAST APPEAL

Since February 28, escalating military violence in the Middle East has been worsening and widening, with humanitarian needs rising rapidly. Presbyterian World Service & Development is taking part in the Humanitarian Coalition appeal in response to the ongoing conflict. Responses will help provide food, water, emergency health service, temporary shelter and psychosocial support. PWS&D continues to respond throughout the region, including Palestine, Syria, and Lebanon.

Donations in support of this effort can be made directly to St. Andrew's - please mark donations with "Middle East Appeal." For more information, please visit presbyterian.ca/pwsd/middle-east-appeal

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tues April 21 - TOPS @ 11am
Wed April 22 - Fun & Fitness @ 10am

THUNDER PRIDE DONATIONS

The Thunder Pride Association is a local non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness of the issues facing the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and to supporting and celebrating diversity within Thunder Bay and the surrounding region. St. Andrew's was a proud sponsor of Thunder Pride last year, and we would like to offer our support again. The funds collected by Thunder Pride will go towards supporting the Pride March and Festival (to be held on **June 6th**), as well as many other events and initiatives throughout the year. **Our level of sponsorship will depend entirely on donations made by those in our congregation, so please consider marking a donation to St. Andrew's as "for Thunder Pride."**



LUNCH WITH A DIFFERENCE



The next Lunch with a Difference will be held on **Wednesday, April 29th**, at **12:15pm**. A donation of \$10 is welcome. New guests can sign up on the list in the front office. Please note that the following lunch, on **May 27th**, will be the final lunch for the season.

COFFEE HOUR



The Seekers will be hosting a Coffee Hour **this afternoon**, following the worship service. Join us for fellowship and refreshments in Rowand Hall.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it."

- Psalm 24:1



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

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standrewspres-tbay.ca

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

ANNUAL FLEA MARKET

The Seekers will be hosting St. Andrew's annual Flea Market on **Saturday, May 2nd**, from **9:30am-12:30pm**. There are a wide variety of household items to explore.



Come check it out, and see what treasures you can find! Refreshments, including hot dogs, coffee, tea, and pop, will also be available!

Donations for this event are still being gratefully accepted! You can bring new or gently used items to the church within our office hours (Wednesday - Friday, 9am-1pm), or on Sunday. Contact the office for more information.

From Joyce



Today we welcome the Thunder Bay Community Band and their conductor Jane Saunders to worship. For the past couple of years, and with the decline of the choir, this congregation has not just set aside having music as an important part of our worship service but has continued to budget for special guests throughout the year. This allows us to welcome various musicians from the community to come and be with us on a Sunday morning, bringing the gift of music to our congregation and giving us the opportunity to welcome people from the community to our church.

Music has always been a defining characteristic of worship in this church. The fact that the historic Casavant organ has been maintained since its installation in 1909 and that the congregation fundraised for a beautiful grand piano some years back, while also keeping it in good and tuned condition, says something about the desire for integrity and beauty in our music and our worship.

We have a budget that allows for us to have guests about twice a month to enhance worship and so I would like to hear from you. If you know someone that we could invite to share the gift of music or artistry to our worship I would love to hear from you or them. Worship is not just for the spoken word. God speaks to us through music, through dance, poetry, storytelling, and all kinds of art forms. So, if you have ideas or can get me connected to people in our community with gifts that could elevate and enhance our worship experience, please get in touch with me. We will all benefit from the gifts that reside in our broader community.

PRAYER FOR EARTH DAY (APRIL 22)



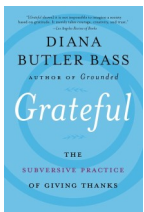
We pray for the well-being of God's beloved creation and for earth, land and water defenders, advocates, scientists, and decision makers working to protect the ecosystems that sustain all life on Earth.

TRINITY & FIRST WESLEY FLEA MARKETS

First-Wesley United (130 Brodie St. N.) is having their annual Garage Sale on **Friday, April 24th** from **6:00pm-8:00pm**, as well as **Saturday, April 25th** from **9:00am-12:00pm**.

As well, Trinity United (Park Ave.) is having their Flea Market on **Saturday, May 2nd** (the same day as St. Andrew's) from **9:30am-1:30pm**.

BOOK DISCUSSION



Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks by Diana Butler Bass will be the focus of a one-off book discussion, facilitated by Rev. Joyce.

Anyone wishing to participate may attend one of two scheduled discussions, on **Wednesday, May 13th** at **7:00pm**, or **Thursday, May 14th** at **1:30pm**.

The book can be purchased online through indigo.ca. If you are interested or plan on attending, please speak with Rev. Joyce.

TRIVIA NIGHT SPONSORS

Thank you to the following businesses and individuals who sponsored our Trivia Night! St. Andrew's is so grateful for the many fantastic prizes and financial support that went in to making this event such a success!

Anonymous, Mary Ann Auld, Authentique Gift Shop, Sandy & Dennis Axent, Juanita Balhuizen, Brad Berry, Sheila Berry, Boston Pizza, Brenda Buttars, Mary Buie, Charles Campbell, Dawn Coulter, Sandra & Fred Dewsberry, Susan Dynes, Kelli & Larry Eyres, Trish Finlay, Marilyn Garton, Ruth George, Heartbeat Hot Sauce Co., Jon Johnsen, Vikki & Ian Kinsman, Lakehead University Thunderwolves, Mike Lehto & Darlene Niemi-Lehto, John Lonergan, Lea Madge, Mario's Bowl, Nonie Marsh, Jane McLeod, Metropolitan Moose Beanery & Café, Jean Mirowski, Pepsi Beverages Company (Dave Buttars), Carole Prosyk, Jean Rawana, Sail Superior, The Seekers Guild, Jan Sewell, Mary Ann Tuomi, and Jeannine Verdenik.



SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION



The Presbytery of Superior is thrilled to once again be hosting **Pres-B-Camp**, open to children who will be entering grades 3-8 in 2026, at Camp Duncan on

Loon Lake from **July 20th - 25th**. No church affiliation is required - all are welcome!

Registration is now open through our website (standrewspres-tbay.ca). For more information, please contact Linda McCutcheon at campdirectorpresbycamp@gmail.com