



St. Andrew's News

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Responding!

Restoring!

Rejoicing!



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 2 We pray for clergy who are enjoying a time of spiritual renewal.

Monday, August 3 We pray for staff and campers at Camp Geddie in Merigomish, NS, as they learn and grow together in faith in a Christian camping community.

Tuesday, August 4 We pray for WMS members and the church and ask for God's guidance as we seek to love our neighbours as ourselves.

Wednesday, August 5 We pray for students of The Presbyterian College, Montreal who are serving in summer placements. May these be rewarding experiences for them and the communities that they serve.

Thursday, August 6 (Anniversary: 1945 Bombing of Hiroshima) We pray for peace-makers working for a world free of nuclear weapons.

Friday, August 7 We pray for the Rev. Dr. Mark Glanville as he leads the Centre for Missional Leadership team, including their Guder Retreat Program for ministers, in early August at St. Andrew's Hall.

Saturday, August 8 We pray that international young adults attending Collective, the PCC's youth conference, will be warmly welcomed, blessed by new friendships, and return home with a strong sense of our unity in Christ.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tues Aug 4 - TOPS @ 11am

Thank you to our guest organist, Sandy Parisi, for providing the music for this morning's service. And thanks to Rev. Bert Vancook for once again leading us in worship.



MISSION MOMENT

When someone has a stable career they are less likely to move from their place of origin to seek work. That was the case for Eliezer Israel Cortez, a 24-year-old in Nicaragua, who participated in an entrepreneurial skills initiative supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development, and its partner, the Institution for Human Promotion (INPRHU). Previously, Eliezer repaired clothing with his mother, who taught him how to sew. However, he aspired to be more than a tailor, which pushed him to develop a strong branding strategy focused on personalization and quality. Today, at Israel Tailoring, he designs, makes, and sells garments tailored to his customers' preferences. Participating in the entrepreneurial skills program transformed Eliezer's life. No longer at risk of migrating in search of work, he is now well-placed to earn an income from clothes of his own design.

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.



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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful."

- Colossians 3:15

Donations to St. Andrew's can be sent via e-transfer to
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VOLUNTEER WITH US



Although things may be quieting down (at least a little!) at St. Andrew's during the summer, there's lots of activity going on behind the scenes as we prepare for a number of fun and exciting events coming up in the near future, including our Wellness Workshop, a Staged Play Reading, and the Christmas Concert! **Volunteers are needed to help in a number of roles**, both large and small. If you are interested in learning more about how you can help, please contact Jordan in the church office.

AGE FRIENDLY COFFEE & TEA TIME



Age Friendly
THUNDER BAY

In partnership with the Thunder Bay Public Library, Age Friendly Thunder Bay is offering both Seniors' Coffee Chats, and Senior's Tea Times on a monthly basis. These are excellent opportunities for anyone over the age of 55 to socialize, enjoy light refreshments, as well as crafts, games, or other activities. Seniors' Coffee Chats are held on the second Thursday of every month at Mary JL Black Library (901 Edward St. South) from 10am-12pm. Seniors' Tea Times are held on the fourth Thursday of every month at County Park Library (inside County Fair Plaza on Dawson Rd.) Drop in! Registration is not required. For a full list of dates, please visit the library's website at tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar.

I WAS THIRSTY



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The I WAS THIRSTY outreach mission continues to operate, bringing thousands of bottles of water to people throughout our community. With the extreme summer heat, this project is as vital as ever, and support is gratefully accepted. Donations may be received directly through St. Andrew's online at standrewspres-tbay.ca/donate/ or by marking a donation envelope with I WAS THIRSTY. Volunteer opportunities are also available to help with deliveries. If you are not able to donate or volunteer, you can help by sharing the news of this work. For more information, follow us on Facebook, or visit our website at iwasthirsty.ca



Wishing everyone a long weekend that is safe, relaxing, and full of God's blessings!

VENEZUELA APPEAL

A state of emergency was declared in Venezuela after two powerful earthquakes struck on June 24th. Residential and commercial buildings have collapsed, and there is considerable damage to critical infrastructure, including roads and public facilities. Heavily affected areas remain difficult to access. Donations are urgently needed. The Presbyterian Church in Canada's relief and development agency, Presbyterian World Service & Development, is able to respond through the ACT Alliance, which has members operating in Venezuela. Immediate needs assessments are taking place with plans to respond as soon as possible. **Contributions to the relief fund can be made directly to St. Andrew's. Please mark donations intended for this purpose as "Venezuela Relief."**



COMMUNION

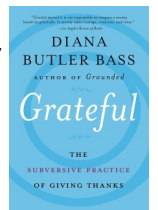
The worship service on **Sunday, August 23rd** will include Communion, led by Rev. Pam Hogewoning. Please join us!



"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'" (John 6:35)

BOOK DISCUSSION

Just a reminder that there will be another discussion of the book *Grateful: The Subversive Practice of Giving Thanks* by Diana Butler Bass, to be held on **Thursday, September 17th, at 1pm**. This discussion will be facilitated by Rev. Joyce, and anyone wishing to participate may attend. The book can be purchased through various retailers, including Indigo. Add this to your summer reading list, and plan to join us! Watch for more details to follow.



FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Just a reminder that St. Andrew's continues to collect donations of non-perishable food items for the Thunder Bay Food Bank on an ongoing basis. Items can include cereal, baby food, and various dried and canned goods. The need for such donations within our community is great, and any support you can offer is much appreciated.

