



ST. ANDREW'S NEWS

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UPCOMING SERVICES



Next **Sunday, November 8th**, we will observe **Remembrance Sunday** during the regular service at 11am. We also invite you to join us after the service for a **Souper Sunday Lunch** hosted by the Session.

The following **Sunday, November 15th** is the next **Children & Youth Sunday**. All are invited to be a part of this special service. Please note that there will also be **Coffee & Conversation** in the sanctuary prior to the service, at 10:30am. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments!

SHORTBREAD BAKERS NEEDED



St. Andrew's annual shortbread sale is one of our most important fundraisers. But in order to carry this out, we need numerous volunteers. Whether you have volunteered to bake in the past, or are interested in doing so for the first time, we welcome your support! Butter can be signed out from the church freezer. Printed copies of our traditional shortbread recipe are available for pickup in the front office, or can be sent by email upon request. Shortbread can be dropped off at the church during office hours or on Sundays. Please be sure to label your containers. If you wish to support this work but are unable to bake, we welcome monetary donations to cover the cost of butter. Please contact the office with any questions!

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Tues Nov 3 - Seekers @ 11am

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Wed Nov 4 - Fun & Fitness @ 10am

Wed Nov 4 - The Music Class® @ 4pm, 5:15pm

Thurs Nov 5 - The Music Class® @ 11am

Thurs Nov 5 - Facilities & Finance @ 1:30pm

Thurs Nov 5 - The Music Class® @ 5:15pm

UNDERCOVER PROGRAM

For over 20 years, the Undercover Project by Community Clothing Assistance has been dedicated to providing children in need, ages 4-14, with 7 pairs of new socks and underwear, ensuring their dignity and comfort. This program supports well over 1000 children annually, with more than 1800 benefiting last year.



St Andrew's is happy to be participating in this program once again. We ask that you drop off new children's underwear and socks at the church, into a bin marked "Undercover" by **Sunday, November 22nd**. If you prefer to give financially, please visit clothingassistance.com.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

An annual tradition returns as St. Andrew's presents The Sounds of Christmas: A Community Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 6th at 4pm**. Come out and enjoy a selection of holiday favourites (including some sing-a-longs), performed by a variety of talented local musicians, all within the atmosphere of our beautiful sanctuary! Some performers have participated in this event before, while others are new to this year's lineup. Performers include musicians of all kinds, as well as vocalists and choir groups. This event is a fundraiser for our church. Tickets are \$25, and children under 10 are free (no ticket required). Tickets can be purchased on our website, at standrewspres-tbay.ca, or through the church office (office.standrewspres@tbaytel.net, or 807-622-4273). Posters are available in the front office if you wish to help us spread the word!



From Joyce



Today is All Saints Sunday. I wrote about the significance of this in last week's newsletter and at this time I would like to take a moment to welcome and acknowledge the presence of those in our midst at worship today who are attending in honour of a loved one who has passed away in the last year or so.

In the coming week we will be planning for Remembrance Sunday. Remembrance Sunday always comes the Sunday directly before Remembrance Day, this year landing on November 8th. As one might surmise, it is a day that the church honours the legacy and sacrifice of fallen soldiers, veterans, as well as those on active duty at this time. In particular, we will have close to heart and mind Gus Barclay. Gus was the last of the members of our congregation who were veterans of WWII. Gus passed away on September 2nd of this year. After worship there will be a Souper Sunday, meaning a lunch of soup and buns offered so that we can enjoy a time of fellowship as well that day.

November 15th begins with coffee and conversation at 10:30. Basically it is coffee hour ahead of worship instead of after. It happens in the sanctuary itself so that you can feel unhurried as you catch up with friends and maybe even have a conversation with someone you have yet to meet in the congregation. It moves seamlessly from a time of fellowship into worship. It is also a Children and Youth Service. This Sunday has a particular focus on the young people and children in our congregation. There will be an activity planned for the children during worship as well. Our children and youth have a special place in the hearts of the congregation, and it is the perfect time for any family to come and be welcomed!

For all reading this, we also know it takes a lot of courage to come to church when it is not your practice to do so. We strive to be a congregation that gives you a place to belong, where love and grace are felt and you feel like you have arrived home. Come. Come and be welcomed.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"Gratitude changes the pangs of memory into a tranquil joy."

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *"Letters and Papers from Prison"*



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

offerings.standrewspres@tbaytel.net

LAKEVIEW TEA & BAZAAR

Lakeview Presbyterian (278 Camelot St.) will host a Christmas Dessert Tea & Bazaar on **Saturday, November 14th** from **1pm – 3pm**. A variety of specialty desserts will be offered along with tea and coffee, as well a bake table, craft table, and Mystery Bags table. Please bring your own shopping bag if able. Tickets are \$8.00 at the door. Wheelchair accessible. For more information, call Lakeview at 807-345-8823.

SEEKERS MEETING

The Seekers are a women's group that has been an important part of St. Andrew's for over 45 years, contributing to fellowship and fundraising. Their next meeting is this **Tuesday, November 3rd** at **11am** (Eleanor Patterson Room.) They are always open to new members.

MISSION MOMENT

In Guatemala's Quetzaltenango region, many Indigenous farmers face food insecurity. Margarita is a single mother caring for her two nephews and her half-sister, who has a developmental disorder. Like many in her area, she must travel to access enough productive land to grow food. "What we harvest is not enough for the whole year," she shares. Margarita was chosen to help lead her community to greater food security through a program with Fraternidad de Presbiteriales Mayas, a locally-based association of Indigenous women supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development. The project helped her grow consistent food for her family and share new techniques with others. "Now I plant my vegetables, even if it's only a few, because Fraternidad is training me." Regina adds that she also raises chickens now, as well as growing vegetables and herbs at home.

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