

The **FINAL TALLY FOR BAZAAR 2014** is in...and we confirm that the proceeds amount to just over **\$6100!** A great job done by Katie S. and her team!

**DONATIONS for SYRIAN REFUGEES** are still being accepted! Our church has committed to a \$5000 donation toward this cause. If you still wish to contribute, please designate your offering envelope accordingly, or submit your donation to the church office.

The **SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR POSITION HAS BEEN FILLED** by Michelle W., and she is looking forward to working with the other teachers! We are, however, still **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** to fill the positions of Nursery Coordinator and Youth Ministry Coordinator. Currently, Emily Fern is filling all three positions until the conclusion of this year. If you are interested in either of the open positions, please contact your Elder or the church office accordingly.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for Community Outreach Drop-In Fridays throughout the fall, 12:30-2:30pm, as follows:

- Friday, December 5th
- Friday, December 19th
- Friday, January 9th (2015)

If you are interested in assisting, please speak further with Emily Fern!

Once again, the Ladies Afternoon Group will **REMEMBER OUR "FRIENDS AT HOME"** by delivering Christmas goodies and plants, which will be ready for delivery on Sunday, December 7th. If you are able to assist by making some goodies or by delivering same, please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the Narthex (two separate sheets). Baked goods should be delivered to the church between Friday, December 5th and 10:00am, Saturday, December 6th. Our "Friends at Home" appreciate this gesture and we appreciate your assistance!

Please be aware that we will celebrate the **SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION** during our morning Worship Service, on Sunday, December 7th!

Once again this year, we offer you the opportunity to **PURCHASE A POINSETTIA** in memory of a loved one, for display in the Sanctuary. These 6-inch, red poinsettias can be ordered through the church office at a cost of \$10.00 each — please see the bulletin insert, or pick up an order form from the Narthex table! Please submit your order to the church office no later than Monday, December 8th!

As we head into the Advent season, we wish to welcome as many newcomers, friends and family as possible. Please see the **ADVENT POSTERS and POSTCARDS** on the Narthex table — feel free to take a bunch and pass them out!

**WANTED! PRAYER BUDDIES!** We are looking for prayer support for our St. Andrew's children and young people. We have created a Prayer Calendar to assist you in praying for one child and his or her family each day, throughout the month of December. Please pick up your prayer calendar from the Narthex table. Thank you for your support!

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS** are available for pick-up on the table in the Narthex. Hopefully, these daily readings will bring you closer to Christ this Christmas season. The readings start today, as the first day of Advent.

The **LADIES AFTERNOON GROUP** (and spouses!) will be having lunch at The Brock House on **Tuesday, December 9th, at 12:00noon**. Please see the sign-up sheet on the Narthex table if you plan on attending.

The **SOCIAL CLUB** invites you to a **POTLUCK DINNER & CAROL SING** on **Saturday, December 13th, starting at 5:30pm**. We will share dinner together in the Hall, followed by a carol sing in the Sanctuary! The Social Committee is working hard to plan activities you will all enjoy — come one, come all, young and old, to enjoy fun and fellowship with your church family! Please see the sign-up sheet on the Narthex table if you plan on attending.

If you are able to **HELP THE MISSION COMMITTEE WITH THE DISTRIBUTION OF CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**, please see the sign-up sheet on the Narthex table. We will need people on the following dates:

- Monday, December 15th, 1:00-5:00pm
- Tuesday, December 16th, 12:00-4:00pm
- Friday, December 19th, 11:00am-4:00pm

For further information, please call Sheila Smyth at (905) 668-3425.

**HOCKEY NIGHT in WHITBY!** Paul S. invites the men of St. Andrew's to join him in his unwavering support of the Toronto Maple Leafs! Hockey night will be held at Paul's home, as per the schedule outlined below:

- Tuesday, Dec. 16th, 7:30pm, vs the Ducks
- Tuesday, Feb. 10th, 7:30pm, vs the Rangers
- Tuesday, Mar. 3rd, 7:30pm, vs the Capitals

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH & SUPPORT PROGRAM (Mission Room):** The following list is of items that are most needed for our Community Outreach program: boxed cereal, deodorant (for men and women), liquid dish soap, laundry detergent, lunch box snacks (individually wrapped granola bars, cracker, cookies), crackers, soup Your donations are well used and much appreciated! Together, we are making a difference!

## **CATECHISM for TODAY**

The following question(s) come from “*A Catechism For Today*” booklet published by “A committee on church doctrine, The Presbyterian Church in Canada” in 2005. Each week, for the 52 weeks of the year, there will be questions printed in the bulletin announcements, taken from the total number of 141 questions in the booklet. If you want to move along more quickly, complimentary copies of the booklet are available through the church office.

### **QUESTION 52: HOW DO WE RECEIVE GOD'S GIFT OF SALVATION?**

**ANSWER:** God's gracious gift is received through faith alone. “If we confess with our lips tht Jesus is Lord, and believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead, we will be saved.” (Romans 10: 9)

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:** Rom 1:5, 1:16-17, 3:28, 3:30, 4:13-25, 10:9-13; Eph 2:8;  
Acts 16:30-31; Gal 3:8-9; Jas 2:24-26

## COMING EVENTS!

Nov 30th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship service, in the Sanctuary
	— following service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 1st	— 7:30pm	Board of Managers meeting, in the Parlour
Dec 2nd	— CANCELLED	Craft Club meeting, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 3rd	— 10:00am	Wednesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 1:00pm	Prayer meeting, in the Parlour
	— 7:00pm	Men's Bible Study, in Pastor Jonathan's Study
Dec 4th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 7th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, Holy Communion
	— following service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 9th	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 10th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 7:00pm	Session Meeting, in the Parlour
	— CANCELLED	Men's Bible Study, in Pastor Jonathan's Study
Dec 11th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Dec 13th	— 5:30pm	Potluck Dinner & Carol Sing! (in the Hall /Sanctuary)
Dec 14th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary