

ANNOUNCEMENTS – FEBRUARY 8TH 2015

Please be aware that the St. Andrew's **ANNUAL MEETING** will be held **TODAY**, following the church service. **Hard copies of the report are available** on the table set up in the Narthex. If you did not pick up your copy last Sunday, please do so today before the meeting commences.

Please be aware that two members of our church family are going on **MISSION TRIPS** this month! Will G. will be volunteering with Habitat for Humanity in New Orleans, and Emily F. will be travelling to Peru once again to work in a children's burn hospital. In support of their mission efforts, we will be taking up a **LOVE OFFERING** during this morning's service. Please see the info sheet on the Narthex table for further details.

Please be aware that the monthly **LADIES GROUP MEETING** will be held on **Tuesday, February 10th**, at 2:00pm, in the Parlour. Pastor Jonathan will be leading the discussion.

Please be aware that there is a **SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING**, on **Tuesday, February 10th**, at 7:30pm, in Room 8 (downstairs).

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

Please be aware that **SESSION WILL MEET** on **Wednesday, February 11th**, at 7:00pm, in the Parlour. As such, **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** is **CANCELLED** on this date.

We will be conducting an **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** on **February 18th, at 7:00pm**, to start the season of Lent. Please be aware that **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will be **CANCELLED** on this date.

The new **PRAYER CALENDARS** for February are ready for pick up on the table in the Narthex! Please take a copy and support our Sunday School children in praying for each other and for each other's families!

The **"COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR" WALK** is a fundraiser conducted by The Refuge. This event raises money for the hungry, homeless and hurting in 80+ communities across Canada, and it will take place on **Saturday, February 21st**. If you have any questions or are interested in participating, please call The Refuge at (905) 404-2420, or access their website at coldestnightoftheyear.org/Oshawa.

SANCTUARY MODIFICATIONS: Session is planning to modify the chancel area at the front of the church by relocating the organ console to the left side of the chancel and filling in the pit where the console is currently located. This will provide a more flexible use of space on the chancel and will give more prominence to the communion table. Following these modifications, the Sanctuary and chancel carpet will be replaced. This work should be completed by mid-March.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: We are looking for a few families to be Coffee Hour hosts. Training and assistance will be provided. Generally, the host family serves for one month per year, but this is negotiable. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please speak to John C.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS (Canadian and foreign) **AND CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS** are being collected and can be deposited in the labelled box on the Narthex table. When cutting stamps, please allow for a 1/4" border around each stamp, as damaged stamps have no value.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & SUPPORT PROGRAM (Mission Room): The following list is of items that are most needed for our Community Outreach program:

- pasta sauce
- boxed cereal
- deodorant (men's and women's)
- liquid dish soap
- laundry detergent
- lunch box snacks
- crackers
- soup

Your donations are well used and much appreciated! Together, we are making a difference!

UPCOMING COMMUNION DATES:

- Sunday, March 1st, 2015
- Friday, April 3rd, 2015
- Sunday, June 7th, 2015

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 64: WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO CALL THE BIBLE THE WORD OF GOD?

ANSWER: It means that God speaks to us through the Bible and calls us to faith and obedience. At the same time, the Bible is also a human word and its writing was conditioned by the language, thought and setting of its time.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES: 2 Tim 3:14-15; 1 Jn 1:3-4; Eph 2:19-20; Gen 1:3;
Ps 147:15-20; Jer 1:4-8, 2:1; Ezek 3:16, 6:1, 7:1; Hos 1:1;
Mic 1:1; Jn 1:1-18; Acts 2:42

COMING EVENTS!

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| Feb 8th | — 10:00am | Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary |
| | — 11:30am | ANNUAL MEETING, in the Hall |
| Feb 10th | — 2:00pm | Ladies Group meeting, in the Parlour |
| | — 7:30pm | Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour |
| | — 7:30pm | Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary |
| | — 7:30pm | Sunday School meeting, in Rm 8 (downstairs) |
| Feb 11th | — 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 |
| Feb 12th | — 7:00pm | Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary |
| Feb 15th | — 10:00am | Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary |
| Feb 17th | — 7:00pm | Presbytery of Pickering meeting, in the Sanctuary and Hall |
| | — 7:30pm | Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour |
| Feb 18th | — 10:00am | Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour |
| | — 7:00pm | ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE , in the Sanctuary |
| | — CANCELLED | Men's Bible Study, in Pastor Jonathan's Study |
| Feb 19th | — 7:00pm | Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary |
| Feb 20th | — 12:00noon | Community Outreach Drop-In Friday, in the Hall |
| Feb 22nd | — 10:00am | Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary |