

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, March 1st 2015

Today, we celebrate the **SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION**. All are welcome at the Lord's table!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to **DAVID McGEE, CATHY ROSS and KATE TAIT!** We offer our best wishes to all!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Pastor Jonathan and Kate, who celebrated 9 years together this week! Congratulations and best wishes for many more years of wedded bliss!

Don't forget to **SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD** by an hour next weekend! We hope to see everyone at church on time next Sunday!

You are invited to come and join us in **WINTER WORSHIP 2015**, which will be held on **Sunday, March 8th, at 7:00pm**. For the past 8 years, Winter Worship has become a wonderful event that we look forward to with anticipation. This year's event will be an evening of enthusiastic worship through music, singing, liturgical dance and teaching — the theme will be *"I Will Walk By Faith!"* Young and old, bring yourselves, your family and your friends, as we praise God. We will take up a free-will love offering to support The Refuge, a teen shelter in Durham Region. There will also be refreshments following the service. Please pick up some posters and/or postcards from the Narthex table to hand out! **Hope to see you there!!!**

Please feel welcome to pick up a booklet of **DAILY LENTEN MEDITATIONS AND PRAYERS**, entitled *"God's Abiding Love,"* written by Henri J.M. Nouwen, from the table in the Narthex.

The **EASTER NEWSLETTER** is coming! Would those who typically offer a submission (the leaders of the various committees and groups) please do so by **Sunday, March 15th** at the latest! Also, members of the congregation are welcome to offer submissions — short stories, poems, appropriate jokes, book reviews, etc. are all welcome material that we may be able to use! All submissions can be emailed to the church office at standrewswhitby@bellnet.ca.

The new **PRAYER CALENDARS** for March are available 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!

Please be sure to check the **COMING EVENTS** section in the printed announcements for the various **COMMITTEE AND GROUP MEETINGS** being held at St. Andrew's. We are making an effort to reduce the amount of time spent on the verbal announcements, so that we have more time available to devote to worship during our Sunday morning services. New information and/or anything outside the norm will continue to be announced verbally.

HOCKEY NIGHT in WHITBY! Paul Semotiuk invites the men of St. Andrew's to join him one last time in his unwavering support of the Toronto Maple Leafs! Hockey night will be held at Paul's home, 44 Winter Court, Whitby, on **Tuesday, Mar. 3rd, 7:30pm**, vs the Capitals.

A **WORLD DAY of PRAYER** will be held on **March 6th, at 2:00pm**, at Westminster United Church, 1850 Rosland Rd. E., Whitby. An evening service will be held at St. John's Anglican Church, 150 Victoria St. E., Whitby, **at 7:30pm**. Please consider joining our fellow Christians of all denominations, as we meet for a time of prayer, praise and fellowship!

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 Campbell, at (905) 430-2503.

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:

- 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 67: SHOULD CHRISTIANS READ THE BIBLE?

ANSWER: Yes. The regular reading and study of scripture, together with the hearing of the word in public worship, are some of the richest joys of Christian commitment.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES: Eph 6:17; Heb 2:12; Ps 119:105; Isa 55:11; Ps 19; Jn 6:63, 68; Acts 2:42; Rev 1:3

COMING EVENTS!

Mar 1st	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Communion Service, in the Sanctuary
Mar 2nd	— 7:30pm	Mission Committee meeting, Emily's office (upstairs)
	— 7:30pm	Board of Managers meeting, in the Parlour
Mar 3rd	— 1:30pm	Craft Club meeting, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Mar 4th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 1:00pm	Prayer meeting, in the Parlour
	— 7:00pm	Men's Bible Study, in Pastor Jonathan's Study
Mar 5th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Mar 6th	— 12:00noon	Community Outreach food bank, in the Hall
Mar 8th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— 11:30am	Elder's district lunch (by invitation only)
	— 7:00pm	WINTER WORSHIP 2015!!! In the Sanctuary
Mar 10th	— 1:30pm	Craft Club meeting, in the Parlour
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Mar 11th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
	— 7:00pm	Session meeting, in the Parlour
	— CANCELLED	Men's Bible Study
Mar 12th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Mar 15th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary