

ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 2nd 2015

A BIG HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Art & Thelma J., who celebrate 61 years together today! We wish them much happiness on this special occasion!

Pastor Jonathan will be ON VACATION from July 13th to August 11th, and Monica M. will be leading worship in his absence. In the event of a pastoral emergency, Rev. Jim B. will be available. Rev. B. is a recently retired minister with the Presbyterian Church in Canada. You may have met him and/or his wife, as well as their daughter, as they have been worshipping with us for the last number of months. Contact details for Rev. B. are available through your elder as well as the church office.

New **PRAYER CALENDARS for August** are now available on the table in the Narthex. Please join the Sunday School in praying for each other and for each other's families!

Please be aware that the **DUTY ELDER for the MONTH of AUGUST is JOHN C.!** The Duty Elder is responsible for staying in the Sanctuary following Sunday's worship service to see if there is anyone in need of prayer or assistance. Should you wish to pray or speak with the Duty Elder, please remain in your seat following the service and the Duty Elder will come to you.

Please be aware that we have put a **BLUE RECYCLING CONTAINER** at the back of the Sanctuary for the purpose of disposing of your Sunday morning bulletin as you leave the Sanctuary.

HELLO, BAZAAR SUPPORTERS! Please be on the lookout over the summer for suitable items for our Silent Auction baskets. Also, gift certificates or donations from local businesses would be appreciated. Introduction letters are available from the church office to give to any businesses that may require them.

Get your **CHURCH SHIRT** for the summer! These navy blue, golf-style shirts with the church logo are available at a cost of \$25/each. If interested in purchasing a shirt, please speak with Emily F., or the church office. A variety of sizes are available.

The **COMMUNITY OUTREACH & SUPPORT PROGRAM** will continue throughout the summer, and the food bank will be open every other Friday, as per the regular schedule. Those involved should continue to observe any scheduled meetings and drop-in days. Please direct any questions or concerns to Sheila S. or Emily F.

A **GREAT CONCERT OPPORTUNITY** is coming to our area! **KEITH & KRISTYN GETTY** will be performing at Calvary Baptist Church, in Oshawa, on Thursday, October 15th, at 7:00pm. The Gettys are masters in the writing of contemporary Christian music, and we sing many of their songs here at St. Andrew's. Tickets for their concert are now available — please see the poster on the Narthex board for further details, or call Calvary Baptist church at (905) 433-2960.

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 89: WHAT IS THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS?

ANSWER: Forgiveness is God's costly act in Jesus Christ to pardon sinners and to restore our broken relationships with both God and one another. Faith, repentance and baptism are the means by which we receive forgiveness. In forgiving others, we share the peace of Christ.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES: Acts 13:38-39, 2:38, 5:31; 1 Pet 1:19; 2 Cor 5:19; Mt 18:21-22, 26:28; Mk 1:4, 11:25; Lk 3:3; Col 1:14; Rom 5:8-10; Eph 2:8; Col 3:13; Heb 9:22, 12:14

COMING EVENTS!

Aug 2nd	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
Aug 7th	— 1:00pm	Community Outreach food bank, in the Hall
Aug 9th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
Aug 16th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary

LIBRARY

Dear friends,

Imagine your perfect warm weather reading spot. Are you basking on the deck of a sun-drenched backyard? Stretched out in a breezy hammock by the lake? Leaning against a leafy shade tree in the park? Okay, maybe our realities don't exactly match our dreams, but the great thing about being a fiction lover is that anywhere — even in a rusty lawn chair by the kiddie pool — can be a restful retreat. Discover the many fiction authors your St. Andrew's library has to offer. Transport yourself beyond the realities of everyday life...

"Legacy of the King's Pirate" series by M.L. Tyndall: Book one of M.L. Tyndall's 3-book series regards Lady Charlisse Bristol setting off on a voyage in search of a father she never knew, only to find herself shipwrecked on a desert island. Near starvation, she is rescued by a band of pirates. Will Charlisse win her struggle against the lure of this pirate captain, Edmund Merrick? Edmund offers to help Charlisse on her quest, until he discovers her father is none other than Edward the Terror, the cruellest pirate on the Caribbean. Can Edmund win this lady's love while shielding her from his lecherous crew and working to bring her father to justice?

"Sister's of Holmes County" series by Wanda Brunstetter: Book one of this 3-book series finds Grace Hostettler putting her rumschprunge days behind her, and she returns to her Amish community in Holmes County, Ohio, and becomes engaged to Cleon Schrock. Grace's life is turned upside-down when she runs into Gary Walker, an English man who knows enough about her former life to destroy her future. Can God bring anything good out of a shameful past?

"The Angelwalk Trilogy" by Roger Elwood: Clearly portraying both the seen and unseen at work, these three volumes (Angelwalk, Fallen Angel, Steadfast) form a visionary story filled with angels, spiritual warfare and the struggle between good and evil.

"An Emerald Ballad" series by B.J. Koff: Book one of this acclaimed series begins the 5-book series of three friends raised in a tiny Irish village devastated by the potato famine of the mid-1800s, as they struggle to survive and hold onto their faith during Ireland's darkest days.

“Chronicles of the Kings” by Lynn Austin: Book one of this 5-book series is full of biblical excitement at it’s best! When Hezekiah’s evil father plans to sacrifice him, Queen Abijah desperately tries to foil the plan. Only two men can help her and neither seems trustworthy. In a land of violence and sin, queen and prince must discover the one true source of their strength.

We would love to hear about the books you’ve read and enjoyed from the St. Andrew’s library. Please send us a review that we will post in the fall newsletter and bulletin!