

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, August 23rd 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Eliana W., who turns 9 years old on August 26th, and to Patricia B., who turns 33 years old on August 27th! We hope that both young ladies enjoy their special day!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Cindy B. & Chris L., who celebrate their 7th anniversary today! And also to Noel & Sheila S., who celebrate their 45th anniversary on August 29th! We congratulate both couples and wish them many more years of happiness!

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.

The AV Team would like to bid a **HEARTFELT FAREWELL** to Theo S-T, as Theo will be leaving for university in September. He has been a member of the Audio-Visual team since 2011, and so, for his dedicated service to the church and this team, we thank him and wish him all the best as he starts this new chapter in his life.

RALLY DAY is fast-approaching! Be sure to mark Sunday, September 13th on your calendar! The Social Committee will be hosting a Corn Roast and BBQ, complete with games for all. The fun and fellowship will begin immediately following the worship service, rain or shine. To assist with the purchase of food for the barbeque, a sign-up sheet is on the Narthex table. If you have any questions, please speak with either Al C. or Cathy R.

Please be aware that we have started updating the **COMING EVENTS** section of the bulletin announcements with the September start-up dates for the various groups/meetings that occur here in the church. We look forward to being back together in the upcoming church year!

LITURGICAL DANCE: Please see the “*Coming Events*” section for “Anointed Joy” and “Raise the Praise” start-up date! Our three dance groups include:

- Anointed Joy (grade 7 to adult)
- Raise the Praise (grades 4-6)
- Junior Flag Dance Team (JFDT—all ages)

If you are interested in joining one of our dance teams, we invite you to come out to our practice to see what we are doing, learn more about liturgical dance and try the dances out — no experience is required! If there is sufficient interest in the “Raise the Praise” age group, we will establish a separate practice time by the end of September. The JFDT is Sunday morning praise that takes place during our worship service — stay tuned for the fall schedule! If you have any questions, please contact Sharon G.

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 and donation request 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 comes 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 a question 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 92: WHAT IS SANCTIFICATION?

ANSWER: Sanctification is God's work in us by which we grow in conformity to the image of Jesus Christ, and bring forth the fruits of the Spirit. The process of sanctification is never completed in this life.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES: Rom 8:29-30; Gal 5:22; Phil 3:12-14; 1 Cor 6:20

COMING EVENTS!

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| Aug 23rd | — 10:00am | Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary |
| Aug 27th | — 12:00noon | Worship Committee meeting, in the Parlour |
| Aug 30th | — 10:00am | Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary |
| Sept 4th | — 1:00pm | Community Outreach Food Bank, in the Hall |
| Sept 8th | — 7:30pm | Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary |
| Sept 9th | — 7:00pm | Session meeting, in the Parlour |
| Sept 10th | — 7:00pm | Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary |
| Sept 13th | — 10:00am | Rally Day Service, followed by congregational BBQ |
| Sept 14th | — 7:30pm | Board of Managers meeting, in the Parlour |
| Sept 15th | — 7:30pm | Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour |
| Sept 16th | — 7:00pm | Men's Bible Study, in Pastor Jonathan's Study (upstairs) |

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!