

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, September 25th 2016

We have a few **BIRTHDAYS** to celebrate this week, as follows:

- John M., September 26th
- Kerstin H., turns 11 years old on September 27th
- Tania M. & Jennifer G., September 27th
- Doug R., turns the BIG 5-0 on October 1st!!!

Best wishes to everyone for a fun and celebratory occasion!

We offer our heartfelt **CONGRATULATIONS** to Laura & Colin T., who were married here at St. Andrew's yesterday! The bride was lovely, as was the groom, and the St. Andrew's family was honoured to be part of their special day. We offer Mr. & Mrs. T. our best wishes for many years of happiness!

We offer our sincere **CONDOLENCES** to Mary A., who lost her brother, Hugh M., last Friday, following a long illness. Visitation will be held at Mount Lawn Cemetery on Monday, September 26th, from 6:00-8:00pm, and the funeral service, also at Mount Lawn, will be held on Tuesday, September 27th, at 11:00am. We ask that you keep Mary and her family in your thoughts and prayers at this time of loss.

The **DUTY ELDER** for today is Paul S! 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.

Today, during worship, we will join in a **BACKPACK BLESSING** for all our school-aged kids, JK to university/college. Even if you've forgotten your backpack, you can join in! We have backpack tags for you to take home!

SUNDAY SCHOOL and NURSERY PROGRAMS have started! Kids in JK to grade 3 are welcome in our Junior Class, and kids in grades 4+ are welcome in our Senior Class! Parents, please drop by our KidMin table after worship today to complete or update your child's registration form for this year. If you have any questions, please speak with Kate T. or Michelle W.

A **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held on Sunday, October 2nd, following morning worship, for the purpose of considering air conditioning for the Sanctuary and Hall.

AUDIO-VISUAL TEAM RECRUITS NEEDED! We have an extremely capable and dedicated team who run our projection and sound system each Sunday morning, and we need to add members to our team! Experience is not a requirement, as we can easily provide training. This is another way that one can serve the Lord on a Sunday morning! Please contact Brian M. if you have questions about this, or are interested in serving.

SCOTTISH DIASPORA TAPESTRY EXHIBITION: The Scarborough Exhibition of the Scottish Diaspora Tapestry will take place at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 115 St. Andrew's Rd., Scarborough, from Monday, September 19th to Saturday, October 1st!

- Weekdays: 12:00noon-8:00pm
- Sunday, September 25th: 2:00pm-6:00pm
- Saturday, October 1st: 10:00am-4:00pm

This exhibition is designed to involve communities around the world in celebration of Scottish heritage and culture, the people and places which connect Scotland to its global diaspora through an exhibition of 300 embroidered panels. See the brochures on the Narthex table for additional information, or access the website at

<http://www.scottishdiasporatapestry.org> .

Please be aware of the new **PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH MINISTRY** being conducted for the GTA and Durham Region! This ministry will bring all youth and young adults under one roof to worship God together, and will build fellowship in a larger setting. The ministry will be called “*Arise*,” and it will be coordinated and overseen by Rev. Mona Scrivens and the Amberlea Presbyterian Church, as well as the *Arise* ministry team, led by Hue Francis and a group of amazing men and women of God outside of Amberlea. *Arise* will be structured like a regular church service, and we plan to launch TONIGHT, from 7:00-9:30pm — these services will be conducted every other week onward, on Sunday nights. Should you have further questions or require more information, please contact Hue Francis, at worshipatarise@gmail.com .

BAZAAR 2016—ODDS ‘n’ ENDS:

- Bazaar **TEAM MEETING** to be held, in the Parlour, after worship **TODAY!!!** Please come if you are interested in lending your talents and support, if you are able to volunteer on the day of the Bazaar (Nov. 5th), or if you are interested in coordinating a table. We have some organizational things to confirm.
- Please check your garage to see if you have a **BAZAAR LAWN SIGN**, as there are a few of them missing. Please bring them in to the church so we can update them for this year’s bazaar date of November 5th.
- **GARAGE SALE ITEMS WANTED!** Remember our “New-to-You” room when you are doing your fall clean out at home or at the cottage. We would greatly love your gently used household items, books, toys, etc. We will not be accepting electronics or clothing. Your items can be brought in and labelled “for the Bazaar,” so they get to the right place. Thank you!

COMMUNION DATES for 2016:

- Sunday, October 2nd
- Sunday, November 6th
- Sunday, December 4th

LIVING FAITH

In every generation, the church needs to confess its faith anew. That confession must, at one and the same time, be the ancient faith of the church and yet spoken into the mood and questions of its own time. “LIVING FAITH” endeavors to do that. This *Statement of Christian Belief* was prepared under the direction of the Committee on Church Doctrine of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. It has been received by the General Assembly of the church and commended as an acceptable statement, and as useful in both worship and study.

CHAPTER 3.4.3, Jesus Is Saviour

God’s reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe as the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd’s life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest. It is also the innocent dying for the guilty, the ransom of a slave, payment of a debt, and victory over the powers of evil. Such expressions interpret the love of God, revealing the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of our Lord’s work. Yet that love we cannot fully explain. God’s grace, received by faith alone, pardons and justifies, redeems and reconciles us.

COMING EVENTS!

Sept 25th	— 10:00am — after service — after service — 7:00pm	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary BAZAAR MEETING, in the Parlour Little Harmonies practice (fall start-up), in the Sanctuary ARISE Youth Ministry, Amberlea Pres. Church, Pickering
Sept 27th	— 7:30pm — 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Sept 28th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Sept 29th	— 7:00pm — 7:30pm — 8:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary KidMin team meeting (Nursery), in the Parlour KidMin team meeting (Sunday School), in the Parlour
Sept 30th	— 1:00pm	Community Outreach food bank, in the Hall

Oct 2nd	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary (Communion)
	— after service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 3rd	— 7:30pm	Board of Managers meeting, in the Parlour
Oct 4th	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Oct 5th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Oct 6th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 9th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— after service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 11th	— 2:00pm	Ladies Afternoon Group, in the Parlour (<i>fall start-up</i>)

LIBRARY

TAKE A LOOK AT ALL THE VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF BOOKS OUR LIBRARY HAS TO OFFER!!!

Biography

"Life Without Limits" by Nick Vujicic: Struggling to fit into society's view of "perfection"? Meet Nick Vujicic!

Born without arms or legs, he shares how he overcame his condition to become one of the world's most sought-after motivational speakers. His wisdom and determination will inspire you to accept what you can't control and focus on what you *can*.

Contemporary Issues

"God on the Streets of Gotham" by Paul Asay: Takes readers through the long history of the Batman franchise and the various manifestations of the Dark Knight. He helps readers to see Batman not simply as a superhero, but as an unwitting guide, a creature of darkness in search of light. Paul explores how we all are a little like Batman, trying to find our way in a messed-up reality and yet knowing, deep in our being, that we're called to something greater. The streets of Gotham point toward a deeper reality that lives on the streets we encounter each day. And that's why the story of the Caped Crusader continues to be told.

Men

"Disciplines of a Godly Man" by R. Kent Hughes: Our churches and homes need men willing to follow the path of godliness no matter what the cost. *Disciplines of a Godly Man* has been speaking to the hearts of men since 1991, and its words are still relevant. Using engaging illustrations, scriptural wisdom, and practical suggestions for daily life, Hughes offers frank biblical discussion on major areas of Christian manhood, including family, godliness, leadership, and ministry.

Women

"I'll Have What She's Having" by Bobbie Houston: Is your life an example of dynamic Christ-influenced character, an irresistible magnet to others? Reflecting on her belief that God is ready to equip a generation of awesome women, Hillsong Australia senior pastor Bobbie Houston encourages you to discover and overcome whatever is limiting you, share your stories with one another, and thereby change the world around you!

Parenting

"Parenting Your Powerful Child" by Dr. Kenin Leman: Do you have an aggressive child who talks back or who's stubborn and manipulative? Dr. Leman offers a fail-safe plan to help you transform those "power surges" into positive urges. What if that innate power can be redirected to develop your child's natural talents? Showing how to harness that energy, he reveals why challenging children behave as they do, the role genes and environment play, and tips for grace-based parenting. Well known for using humor mixed with down-to-earth psychology, Dr. Leman encourages parents and explains that all it takes is determination, persistence, willpower, and advice that works

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