

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sunday, October 9th 2016

We have three people celebrating their **BIRTHDAYS** this week! Jessica L. turned 31 years old on October 6th, Jeremiah T. will turn 9 years old on October 12th, and Christine B. will turn 20 years old on October 13th! We wish everyone a very special day!

The congregation joins together this week to wish Ron & Marjorie C. a very happy 54th **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** on October 6th! They have just returned from a celebratory cruise and we wish them all the best for many more happy years together.

THANK YOU... to Vicki S. and Rosemary C. for decorating the church for Thanksgiving! So great to see the festive colours of fall on display in our church building!

The **DUTY ELDER** for today is Al 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.

OUTCOME OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

Thank you to all who attended and participated in the meeting about air conditioning last Sunday. The vote went as follows:

DO NOTHING—15 votes

SANCTUARY A/C ONLY—10 votes

SANCTUARY AND HALL A/C—40 votes

A clear majority voted for proceeding with air conditioning in both the Sanctuary and the church Hall, and we will go forward with this in mind. — *Thank you, John C.*

SESSION is looking to increase the number of elders here at St. Andrew's. As part of this process, professing members are invited to nominate members of the congregation to this office. Beginning Sunday, October 16th, for 3 successive Sundays, ballots for nominations will be included in our weekly bulletins. Full details will accompany the nomination form. Please give this your prayerful consideration.

PASTOR JONATHAN WILL BE AWAY next Sunday, as he fulfills one of his duties to Presbytery by participating in a regularly scheduled visitation to another congregation. Elder, Bob B., will be leading worship in Pastor Jonathan's absence.

All are invited to attend the **10th WHITBY PRAYER BREAKFAST** sponsored by the Christian Business Ministries of Canada and the Full Gospel Business Mens' Fellowship, on Friday, October 21st, at 7:30am, at the Royal Ashburn Golf Club, 995 Myrtle Road, Ashburn. For further information, please speak with David C!

On Sunday, October 23rd, we will celebrate **ST. ANDREW'S 183rd ANNIVERSARY**. The Rev. Dr. John Peter Smit will be our guest preacher. For the last 10 years, Rev. Smit has served our Synod as Regional Minister for Congregational Health.

Following the success of Rally Day, the Social Committee has planned our next social event. The St. Andrew's **"CHILI COOK-OFF CHALLENGE"** lunch will take place on Sunday, October 30th, following the worship service. The first 10 teams to sign-up will be part of the cook-off-challenge. Teams can consist of groups or individuals. Not a fan of chili, but still want to enjoy a wonderful lunch with amazing fellowship? A sign-up sheet for mac & cheese is also on the Narthex table. A walk (or hike) at Heber Downs will follow the lunch.

BECOMING AN USHER! Darlene and Mark C. are in the process of putting together the usher schedule for the next few months. If you are new and interested in serving the church, but are not sure what you want to do, please think about becoming involved! The job is fun, interesting, lets you meet members of the church and the community, and serves an important part of the St. Andrew's community! The job is just the same, even if you have been at St. Andrew's for awhile and are looking for something to do, so don't be afraid to volunteer! Please see Mark or Darlene C., following the service, or call them at (905) 668-4319. Thank you!

HOCKEY NIGHT IS BACK!!! Our men's group will continue its tradition of enjoying each other's fellowship and watching the Leafs lose! Did I say that?! Sometimes they win! Everyone is welcome! If you haven't been to one of these hockey evenings before, don't be shy — it's a great way to get to know the other guys in the congregation. Our first game is Tuesday, November 1st, at 7:30pm, at Paul S's house, and the Leafs will be facing off against the Edmonton Oilers!

BAZAAR 2016—WE NEED...

- **GLASS JARS** to do some more preserves
- **TINS** for the Bake Table
- **NEW PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS**
- **DONATIONS** to our Silent Auction (solicitation letters are available on Narthex table)
- **YOU TO PUT UP A SIGN**—Please take the flyers, posters and lawn signs to spread the word
- **YOUR HELP**—Please see the sign-up sheet on the Narthex table to join the Bazaar Day Team
- **YOUR “TRASH,”** so it can become someone else's treasure via our “New-to-You” and Book Rooms
- **CHRISTMAS ITEMS** for our Christmas Table (crafts, donations, etc.)

All items can be brought in ASAP and put on the Bazaar Table in the Narthex. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Kate T.

COMMUNION DATES for 2016:

- 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 3.5.4-3.5.5: Jesus Is Lord

We worship our ascended Lord. Reigning in glory and power, He is our Hight Priest and Advocate, interceding before the Father on our behalf. Through Him, we offer our sacrifice of praise, with prayer for all to the Father. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord!

COMING EVENTS!

Oct 9th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Thanksgiving Service, in the Sanctuary
	— cancelled	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 10th	— all day	Church Office closed (statutory holiday)
Oct 11th	— 2:00pm	Ladies Afternoon Group, in the Parlour (fall start-up)
	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour
Oct 12th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Oct 13th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 14th	— 1:00pm	Community Outreach food bank, in the Hall
Oct 15th	— 9:00am	Delta Kids Club, in the Hall (start up)
Oct 16th	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— after service	Little Harmonies practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 11:00am	Bazaar meeting, in the Parlour
Oct 18th	— 7:30pm	Liturgical Dance practice, in the Sanctuary
	— 7:30pm	Tuesday evening Bible Study, in the Parlour

Oct 19th	— 10:00am	Wednesday morning Bible Study, in the Parlour
Oct 20th	— 7:00pm	Praise Team practice, in the Sanctuary
Oct 22nd	— 9:00am	Delta Kids Club, in the Hall
Oct 23rd	— 10:00am	Sunday morning Worship Service, in the Sanctuary
	— 1:00pm	Community Outreach Luncheon (for CO volunteers), in the Hall

LIBRARY

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

Fiction

“When the Heart Cries” by Cindy Woodsmall: Raised in an Old Order Amish family, 17-year old Hannah Lapp wants nothing more than to break with custom and experience the outside world, so when her long-time Mennonite boyfriend proposes, she joyfully accepts! But will her choice damage her family forever? And when tragedy jeopardizes her upcoming marriage, can she cope without her community?

Christian Living

“Keep It Shut” by Karen Ehman: The author addresses women and words in “Keep It Shut” with a kind, encouraging and sometimes funny delivery. She explores what the Bible says about when to speak, when to remain silent, what to say in social media posts, why “just sharing a prayer request” might be gossip, and why self-talk matters too. Using words well leads to healthier relationships and the joy of seeing what God can do when he’s the one who speaks.

Inspiration

“Heaven Is for Real” by Todd Burpo: Is there life after death? Just ask 4-year old Colton, who emerged from life-threatening surgery with astounding details about heaven! Colton’s account includes floating away, looking down on his dad praying in the hospital, seeing God’s throne, and meeting relatives, including his sister, who died in a miscarriage (and whom his parents had never mentioned).

Self Help

“Stress Less” by Don Colbert: Do you realize that Americans are the most anxious, overextended and “pressured” people in the world? A noted physician and best-selling author, Colbert exposes stress as a potential killer. He examines scientific evidence, explores practical proven theories, explains biblical principles, shares anecdotal stories and challenges you to make lasting lifestyle changes to overcome stress.

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MEN, WOMEN, AND PARENTING SECTIONS!!!*****