

News & Notes

The Presbyterian Church in Canada St. Andrew's, Dartmouth & Musquodoboit Harbour



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Services at St. Andrew's
Each Sunday 8 & 10:30 a.m.
8 a.m. service is 30 minutes

*Services at Musquodoboit
Harbour*
July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 20, Oct. 4
Oct. 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 20

ST. ANDREW'S CALENDAR

July 13-17	9:15 to 11:45 a.m.	Vacation Bible School for ages 4 to 11. Activities include: Crafts, music, games, Bible Study, snacks, drama.
July 12	10:30 a.m.	Kirkin' o' the Tartan at the end of the service. Refreshments after the service.
July 19	10:30 a.m.	Sacrament of Baptism
Sept. 13	10:30 a.m.	Regular Church School program resumes for children age 3 to pupils in Grade 9.
Oct. 4	8 & 10:30	World Communion Sunday
Oct. 11	8 & 10:30	Holy Communion (Thanksgiving)
Oct. 18	10:30 a.m.	Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Crawford, Minister, Grace Church, Saint John, NB
Oct. 19	7:00 p.m.	Opening Service – Synod of the Atlantic Provinces – all welcome
Oct. 19-21		136 th Annual Meeting of The Synod of the Atlantic Provinces
Oct. 25	10:30 a.m.	57 th Anniversary Service; Preacher: Rev. Glenn Cooper, Pictou, N.S. Clerk of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces; Potluck luncheon: Please bring sandwiches, fruit, veggies, or cookies, ready to serve.
Nov. 29	7 p.m.	Service to mark St. Andrew's Day; Preacher: Rev. Ivan Gregan, Minister of Port Wallis United Church
Dec. 24	5 & 7 p.m.	Christmas Eve services

Milestones: D. Silver Allan celebrated his 90th birthday on June 4 and Helen Frew was 100 years old on June 28!

Changes: Vera Ritcey now resides in a nursing home in Annapolis Royal. Craig & Heather Churchill and their family have moved to the Annapolis Valley. Shane Smith has moved to Kingston, Ontario.

Bereavements: The father of Alan Simpson, a step-uncle

of Isabelle Young, Thelma Cross & Sadie Hurst, the mother of Ken



Langille, a sister of Paul Bedard, a brother of Robert Burbine, the mother of Bruce Clarke, a sister-in-law of Hugh Cameron, the father of Gary & Peter Dodge, the mother of Janice Mumford, the mother of Kelly Cameron, the father

of Mike Laveck & the grandfather of Letia(Laveck) Bullen, an aunt of Susan Burris, a niece of Ken MacDermid & a cousin of Ken MacDermid Jr. & Laura Jean Sarty, a step-son of Gean Ross, and a brother of Bill Fisher died recently. May God grant to those who are mourning the comfort of grace and the blessing of rich memories.

Session News:

Ivan Currie was honored for his 50 years of service on the Session at the meeting on June 17, 2009.

An Evacuation Plan was approved; a “mock” evacuation will take place in the fall. Instructions will be given to the congregation on that Sunday.

Some points are: the gathering point for everyone will be at the entrance to the Brightwood Golf Club. 3 persons will be designated to be in charge: one from the choir, Church School Superintendent and the Greeting Elder.

St. Andrew’s is hosting the 136th Annual Meeting of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces Oct. 19-21, 2009. Billets will be required for a few of those attending and if you are willing to provide lodging and breakfast,

please contact Nancy Archibald, 860-1035. We will also be seeking help with some other tasks, such as, baking, cleaning, & kitchen help.

The Session is very grateful to the Church School 2008-09 staff:
Superintendents: Judy Morrison & Elaine MacInnis; Co-ordinators for part of the year: Byron & Isabel Sarson, Judy Morrison; Teachers: Linda Wagner, Nancy MacNeil Smith, Whitney Pyche-Melanson, Nancy Heighton, Jennifer Cantley, Jackie Hurst, Dayle Smiley, Rhondda Smith, Ian Morrison, Erin Ferguson, Erin Sloan, Kathy Sloan, E. Margaret MacDonald; Substitutes & Helpers: Dawn Hemsworth, Megan Douglas, Heather Ferguson, Donna MacRae, Tim Kennedy, Ricky Sloan.

Ladies’ Guild is grateful to all who helped with the Tea and Sale and Coffee Party – both in April – and with the Yard Sale in May. Recently the Guild kindly gave \$4,000 to the Exterior Repair Project. Thank you very much.

Our Community

Circle of Care Furniture Bank: Do you have any used furniture, mattresses, lamps, etc. on hand? Call 404-9074 and someone will pick up what you wish to give.

Margaret’s House (F.O.O.D. House): Summer clothing, ball caps, sandals, sunscreen and sun glasses are required. Please place them in the choir room or outside the minister’s study.

Board of Managers

Work to be completed in 2009:

13 new windows in the lobby, some brick repairs on the Golf Course Parking Lot side of the church (\$8,000), the sealing of 10 of the sanctuary windows and new front doors. Gifts for the Exterior Repair Fund would be very much appreciated.

Offerings to June 30, 2009

Operating Fund

Budget goal: \$71,110.00
Actual gifts: \$66,865.65
Amount under budget: \$ 4,244.35

Presbyterians Sharing

2009 goal: \$34,500.00
Actual gifts: \$16,692.35
To reach goal: \$17,807.65

Ways to give

If you wish to give by PAR (pre-authorized debit), call Joyce Ross, 435-4801; if you wish to have a box of envelopes for your gifts, call Madelyn Simms, 461-9393.

In Memoriam

If you are interested in making an In Memoriam donation to St. Andrew's, there are cards available in the front lobby for this purpose.

Used Stamps

Please save used stamps for the Leprosy Mission; they are trimmed and sent to the Mission by the Guild. Please leave them in the front lobby.

Tabs for Wheelchair

Please continue to save can tabs to help Archie in New Glasgow to buy another wheelchair. Please leave the tabs in the front lobby.

Camp Geddie: Camp Geddie is operated by our Synod and located in Merigomish, Pictou County, N.S. Geddie appreciates receiving gifts for (a) operating costs – salaries, property maintenance, programs and (b) Capital

Fund – major repairs to cabins and other facilities. Those with envelopes can use the “Other” section and mark it clearly Geddie Capital or Geddie Operating. Those on PAR can use the white envelopes in the lobby and clearly mark the gift for Capital or Operating.

Camp Geddie has announced its 2nd Geddie Golf Classic to be held on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at Ocean Links, Brule Shore. Proceeds from this tournament will go toward the debt on the recently acquired 41 acre property adjacent to the camp. An adult team will consist of 4 players with a suggested pledge of \$300 per team.



Ask the minister for a registration form!

General Assembly – The national body of our church, the General Assembly, met in Hamilton, Ontario June 7-12. The Moderator, Rev. Harvey Self, of Orangeville, Ontario spent a few of his years as a youth in Iona Church, Dartmouth. Cheryl Weeks, one of our elders, is a first cousin of Mr. Self.

Face of Poverty Consultation –This is an interfaith coalition working to eliminate poverty. Their priority is to keep poverty on the political agenda until it is no longer a scourge for Nova Scotians and all Canadians. They organize public information meetings and provide materials for worship services. Were you aware that Social Assistance in our province is cut by 70% of any income a recipient earns? Nor should there be a claw-back of the Child Allowance which the federal government will soon introduce, except through the income tax system. Barbara Cruickshank, an elder at St. Andrew's, serves on this coalition. Please keep her and the other members in your prayers as they seek to help the marginalized.

Do You Know Your Hymns???

Dentist's Hymn.....Crown Him with Many Crowns

Optometrist's Hymn.....Open My Eyes That I Might See

The Golfer's Hymn..... There's a Green Hill Far Away



Favourite Recipes

Broccoli Puff

Submitted by Norma Ryan

1 head broccoli. Cut in bite sizes and cook slightly, drain and arrange broccoli in casserole dish.

Mix together:

1 can cream of mushroom soup

2 oz. sharp grated cheese

¼ cup milk

¼ cup Miracle Whip

1 egg, beaten

Pour over cooked broccoli and spread with crumb mixture.

¼ cup dry bread crumbs

1 tbsp. butter melted

add some grated cheese

Bake in 350° oven for 45 minutes

Raisin Orange Cookies

Submitted by Barb Cruickshank

Toast 1 cup rolled oats in 350° oven for about 10 mins. Set aside and allow to cool.

Cream: ½ cup margarine and add 1/3 cup white sugar and 1/3 cup brown sugar. While continuing to beat, add 1 egg. Add 1 tsp. vanilla and 1 Tbsp. grated orange rind.

Combine: ¾ cup flour, ½ tsp. baking soda, ½ tsp baking powder and ½ tsp salt. Add to creamed mixture and finally add 1 cup raisins and the rolled oats.

Drop by spoonfuls on baking sheet. Bake 350° approx. 10 minutes or until lightly brown. Do not overbake.

Bits & Bytes

The sanctuary has an audio loop for those who have a T switch on their hearing aids.

Many cushions are available in the lobby for those wishing to have one during the service. Please avoid the use of scented products.

Each Sunday worshippers are invited to bring to the lobby foods (e.g. rice, canned goods) and hygiene supplies for the Christ Church Food & Clothing Bank. *Please do not bring perishable foods.* If you prefer to make a cash donation, there is a container in the lobby.

Library – in the Church Hall. Please feel free to browse at what is available and to borrow any materials.

F.O.O.D. Feeding Others of Dartmouth – a lunch is provided by us on the last Wednesday of each month; if you can help with providing sandwiches or juice or crackers or soup, it would be very much appreciated. For more details, please call Joyce Ross, 435-4801.

Hope Cottage – an evening meal is provided by our folk on the second Wednesday of each month. If you can help with providing beef stew or fruit or margarine, it would be greatly appreciated. A recipe for stew is available. Call June Yetman, 435-1471 for more details. *Try to bring food before 12:30 or after 3:30 p.m.*

Parking – The Brightwood Parking lot adjacent to the church and across the street from the church is not available to us for parking on Sundays until after Thanksgiving.

Recycling – (a) Please continue to bring plastic grocery bags, margarine, yogurt, ice cream containers to the church for F.O.O.D. (b) Books, dishes, etc. can be left on the green trunk at the lower entrance. They are given to a Resource Centre on Scotia Court or on Albro Lake Rd. (c) When at the church, please use the recycling containers in the lower rear lobby and kitchen to recycle.

ST. ANDREW'S WEB SITE
www.standrewspcc.ca

Smile for the Month



Six-year old Angie , and her four-year old brother, Joel , were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally his big sister had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two people standing by the door? They're hushers."

Canada Youth 2009 – This youth conference is sponsored by The Presbyterian Church in Canada and held at Brock University, St. Catharine's, Ontario from July 20-25. 5 persons from our congregation will be attending: Andrew Kennedy, Whitney Pyche-Melanson, Megan Douglas, Rebecca Ford and Erin Ferguson. Four of them will board a bus at St. Andrew's just after the 10:30 service on July 19th! Please remember these folk and the leadership in your prayers. At a service in the fall, we will hear about their activities.

John Calvin - July 10th marks the 500th birthday of John Calvin – the Reformation figure who had such a great influence on the life of the church, particularly the Reformed/Presbyterian tradition. Calvin, after whom several of our churches in Canada are named, preached sermons, developed liturgies, and wrote many commentaries on the books of

the Bible. His greatest work was, "The Institutes of the Christian Religion." He wanted to continue the weekly celebration of Communion but the Geneva City Council said "NO!" So Calvin scheduled Communion in a different church each Sunday so that folk could go to Communion weekly basis if they so desired!

FROM THE MINISTER

While Chris & I were on vacation in Ontario in May, we saw several former parishioners who sent their greetings to St. Andrew's: Roy & Shirley Dobson, George & Ivan Kolisnek, Iain Bain, Brent Smith all of Ottawa; Rev. Ian McDonald of Toronto, Jean Muir of Newmarket and her sons, Robbie & David, Rev. Ian MacMillan & his family of Martintown, Rev. Tom & Heather (Plant) Vais of Thornhill; Rick & Jeanne Rutherford of Pickering, Grace, Pam & David Cressman of Waterloo, Rev. Jonathan Tait & his family of Guelph. While we were in Ottawa, I conducted the wedding of Ian & Josee Kolisnek (Ian is a grandson of Irma Hattie & a nephew of Sandra Bond). On the way home, I officiated at a brief service in Salisbury, N.B. during which the ashes of Rev. Walter Tait (father of Rev. Jonathan Tait) were scattered on the Petitcodiac River.

You may have noticed in the heading of this newsletter that changes have been made in the telephone system at the church and in our home. The church phone no longer rings in our home but I can retrieve messages on the church

phone. Our home phone number is now in the bulletin each Sunday. Both telephones have voice mail. In emergencies, use the cell phone number.

At the Session meeting on June 17, 2009, I indicated to the elders that I will be retiring sometime between early fall of 2010 and the summer of 2011. This is a decision that took a long while to make! I am very fond of serving at St. Andrew's and Musquodoboit Harbour and will miss working with all of you after the date of retirement. We will continue to live in our present home after retirement. Before retirement takes place, the elders will meet with Presbytery representatives to discuss the arrangements for pastoral care and services during the vacancy period and the manner in which the work of seeking a new minister will be done. In the meantime, we will continue to work together to fulfill the ministry and mission of our congregation.

Have a refreshing summer!

Rev. P.A. (Sandy) McDonald

Something for the younger folk!

Jesus Heals the Sick

Mark 5:21-43

Read the story of how Jesus restored the daughter of Jarius to life and of the healing of a woman when she touched the cloak of Jesus in Mark 5:21-41.

Find the words from the Word List to complete the Word Search puzzle.



BOAT CROWD SYNAGOGUE RULER JARIUS
JESUS DAUGHTER WOMAN BLEEDING
TOUCHED CLOAK FAITH HEALED DEAD BELIEVE
PETER JAMES JOHN WAILING GIRL
STOOD WALKED ASTONISHED EAT