
**St Andrew's
Presbyterian
Church, Guelph**

INSPIRE

April 30, 2006

CARING BY P.A.C.E.

The new pastoral care program at St. Andrew's is being phased in. We have twelve pastoral care workers visiting. Although this is good news, the down side is that we need many more pastoral care workers to provide care for all families in our congregation. Pastoral Care Workers build relationships with people in their group with an intentional focus on nurturing in faith. All workers operate using the **PACE** acronym (**P**ray for, be **A**vailable, **C**ontact regularly and be an **E**xample).

The Pastoral Care Leadership Team asks all of our church family to pray that we find the right people to serve as Pastoral Care Workers. We are looking for at least twenty new workers. Pray that the congregation will seek unity in Christ and work to strengthen each other in faith in this transition time. We also pray that every one of us will continue to encourage each other and bear witness to the One who first loves us. Rev. Jan Hazlett

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Sunday Services

10:30 a.m.



Koinonia

Our last meeting (until fall) was on April 22 when we were inspired by stories from Stephanie Swanton, Darlene Lepage, and Mary Rife (plus Cindy Bray's spirit - she was in hospital) about their February trip to Nicaragua. We had a wonderful crowd and their stories were so touching that I had a phone call late that evening telling me what an effect each woman's story had. On behalf of Koinonia, a generous donation is being sent (via national church office which will ensure it is doubled) to this mission. Thank you to all for the wonderful food and friendships we enjoyed during the last seven months. If you have any speakers, ideas or suggestions for next fall-winter, please call Anne or John Holman (822-0153). Mark your calendars ahead for the third Saturday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

LET US KNOW

As a community of faith, we suffer when one of our members is suffering. Sometimes we do not know when one of our members would like a visit in hospital, or as they recover at home. Unfortunately, many times we find out that our members have been hospitalised or are ill at home – only long after they have recovered.

If you are in the hospital or sick, please make sure that we at the Church Office know, so that the ministers can visit. With new confidentiality laws in effect, the best way for us to find out that you are in need of a visit is for you or your family to tell us directly. Rev. Jan Hazlett and Rev. John Borthwick

SPRING WALK AND ICE CREAM!

May 7th at 3:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy the outdoors.

Meet at “The Boathouse” (Gordon Street, south of Wellington at the covered bridge), and enjoy a beautiful walk along the river and have a delicious ice cream as a reward afterwards.



- ? **Watch for information in “What’s Happening” about the “Da Vinci Code” Movie Night.**
- ? **Outdoor Service and Picnic at Riverside Park Sunday, June 18th**

The Friday Brown Bag continues... on May 26th our next book is Walking the Bible by Bruce Feiler

We meet in the Church Parlour at 12:15pm for a brown bag lunch (coffee and tea provided) and a time of conversation around a popular work of fiction or non-fiction that has impacted the Christian Church in an interesting way. We will conclude our time together no later than 1:15pm. The conversation will be led by The Rev. John Borthwick. All are welcome to come to any of the discussions and having read the book is not a requirement nor is Pre-registration required.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY?



The church library helpers have been very busy in recent months! The journal (magazine) collection has been organized and weeded, so that back issues can now be found and accessed easily.

The entire adult collection (i.e., the whole of the wall shared with the hall and a little bit around the corner) has been catalogued into a new automated system which was purchased about two years ago with a combination of donated funds and funds made available by Session.

The intellectual content of the collection is being carefully scrutinized and evaluated. Some very old material or material of dubious value has been removed. Some new and some newly donated material has been added. The next step will be to focus on the content of the Children’s and Young Adult’s collections in an effort to provide an updated and appealing collection for our young readers. Expect to hear more about that soon.

There is a new computer on order for the Library, and as soon as it arrives we will ‘go public’ with these improvements. **AND WE WILL GIVE LESSONS!** 😊 The new automated system is extremely user friendly. If you can click a mouse you will be able to use the system to find and retrieve things for yourself when the library is unattended. Rest assured, however, that we will continue to make paper lists available for those who prefer them.

Did you know that the only budget for purchasing new books for the Library comes from the third line of your envelopes? The ‘Library Budget’ which shows in the official church budget pays for recurring expenses. New books can be purchased only when there are donations. Please give this some thought when you are considering your gifts.

Goals for the near future include:

- ? renewing the collection for children and young adults,
- ? continuing to review and renew the adult collection,
- ? refurbishing and redecorating to create a more appealing space,
- ? a book sale to help raise funds to purchase new books.

Virginia Gillham

In the Event of Emergency

You can leave messages on the church office phone anytime. Messages are checked regularly including on weekends. In a pastoral emergency, please call your elder, pastoral care worker or a session member and/or leave a phone message with the church and one of the ministers will return your call as soon as possible.

RUN FOR THE CURE - WHY AM I DOING THIS!

When I saw an advertisement to “run for the cure”, I was ready to do something positive about diabetes. Our family has become intimately aware of the challenges facing people with Type 1 diabetes (juvenile diabetes) since my daughter Kristen was diagnosed at the age of 11. Marathon runs are the major fund-raisers for the Canadian Diabetes Association. By taking on the physical challenge, I could meet my own fitness goals and work toward balance in my life. By fund raising, I contribute to the efforts of the CDA in research into diabetes and improving the lives of those with diabetes - all types. So Kristen and I signed up to run the half marathon (22km) in Iceland.

How's it going? To date we have raised over half of the funds, i.e., over \$6,000.

Training is going well. Kristen has learned to adjust her insulin and I have regular visits to the physiotherapist. All things considered we are on track.

We couldn't do it alone. We are both grateful for the support we have received from family and friends. I am also so thankful for the encouraging words, expressions of support, prayers and interest in what I am doing which I have received from the church family. For helping me to reach the fund-raising goal for this cause that is so personal, I am profoundly grateful.

(Fundraising information is available from Mari or Ian Millar or Jan and John Hazlett) Jan Hazlett



TEN REASONS FOR NOT ORDAINING MEN

I read this recently in a magazine and thought it most appropriate to share this month as we have just celebrated the contribution of women to the life and work of the church.

10. A man's place is in the army.
9. Men with children might be distracted by their parental responsibilities.
8. Ministry is unnatural for men since their physical build suits them better for chopping wood.
7. Man, having been created before woman, is an experiment, not the crowning achievement of creation.
6. Men are too emotional; see how they respond at sporting events.
5. Handsome men will distract female worshipers.
4. Pastoring is a nurturing role; historically, women have been the nurturers.
3. Men are too prone to violence and would be dangerously unstable in conflict situations.
2. Men can still be involved in church work without having to become pastors.
1. Jesus was betrayed by a man, whose lack of faith and subsequent punishment symbolizes the subordinate position all men should assume.

Yours experimentally, Rev. John Borthwick

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY SPRING RALLY

“Sharing in Mission in India”

Guest Speaker: **Dr. Deborah Tezlo**

Medical Superintendent, Jobat Christian Hospital, India

This is an opportunity for us to put a face on Mission

Come and meet Dr. Tezlo

Monday, May 15, 2006

St. Andrew's Church

1:00 p.m. – Registration 1:30 p.m. Meeting Begins

All are welcome. This is an open meeting – not only for the WMS but for any person interested in meeting and hearing Dr. Tezlo.

Free Will Offering – Bhil Field in India

HELP US BY SAVING YOUR :

Used Postage Stamps – for Leprosy Relief

Campbell's Soup Labels – for Education Programs

Ultra Cash Register Tapes – to convert to cash

Zehrs Cash Register Tapes – to convert to cash

Canadian Tire Gas Receipts - these gas receipts can be redeemed at Sobeys for groceries. Please be aware that there is an expiry date on these receipts.

All of the above can be placed in the appropriate slots in the container at the Welcome Centre.

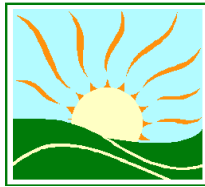
Session Minutes are available for all to read. They have been placed in a binder in the Library. We would appreciate your not removing the binder from the library.

Paul Pennock, Clerk of Session.

MORNING'S LIGHT

"A Breakfast Event for Women" and a time to develop friendships and strengthen our lives as women in Christ's world.

- ? **Saturday, May 6th at 8:30 a.m.**
- ? Springfield Golf & Country Club
- ? Come and enjoy a full breakfast for only \$8
- ? Guest Speaker: Mary Rife "AIDS in Africa"
- ? To register, use the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Centre or contact the Church Office at 822-4772
- ? For more information, or if you need transportation, please call: Diane Blair 824-4908, Sharon Ireland 767-0114, Kay Runions 824-5821, or Bette Tough 766-9397.



MEMBER UPDATE FORM NOW ONLINE

You can now go online to update the information which is kept by the church office. If you change your address or have a new baby, etc., you can let the church office know by going online at our website: www.standrewsguelph.com and completing the appropriate confidential form which goes directly to the church administrator.

RESCHEDULED WORK PARTY

Thank you to Edmund Bauer, Brad Wallace, Nancy, David, Benjamin and Gregory Nicol, Harold Faulkner, Steven French, Roy McMillan, Jim Rife, Jim Morrison, John McAllister and Stewart Blair who all came out for the scheduled St. Andrew's Work Party on Saturday morning, April 22. Unfortunately, due to the overcast weather, misty rain and cold temperatures, the work party is rescheduled to the morning of Saturday, May 13.



However, the volunteers who did come managed to completely fill Jim Morrison's pickup truck with lots of garbage, mostly yard waste, for the "dump". Many thanks to Jim and Mary Rife who cleaned up most of the yard debris during the week of April 17, with chilly but generally dry weather. And many thanks to Jim Morrison for offering the use of his truck to remove the debris to the Wet-Dry site.

May 13 is selected as the new date since The Weather Network's spring outlook indicates that winter will stay for a while longer in most of eastern Canada, and we can expect heavy rainfalls across Southern Ontario in late April. It's also the last weekend before the May long weekend - when we can expect many folks to open cottages and get busy with their own yards and gardens. (We'll work around the scheduled Pastoral Care Training Session scheduled for 9:00 - 4:00 on May 13).

ST. ANDREW'S WORK PARTY

Rescheduled to Saturday, May 13th

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (approximate end time)

"Good Stewardship of our

St. Andrew's resources and assets"

Come for an hour or two - your volunteer help is appreciated! We have various odd jobs to prepare the St. Andrew's Church Building and Grounds for spring and summer. For example: grounds cleanup and lawn fertilizing, cleaning the eaves troughs, checking the roof drains and other jobs. Bring your lawn/garden rakes, garden gloves, hoes, shovels and hedge clippers.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the Welcome Centre.

Refreshments provided.

Mary Visser Kerr, Chair, Church Building/Property Committee



? Jim Brisbin would like to thank his friends at St. Andrew's for their prayers and all their acts of kindness during his five months of treatment. Thanks also to Rev. Jan for her inspirational visits. Jim is feeling a little stronger each week. Jim and Helen Brisbin

? Thanks to all you who lent your voice to the Maundy Thursday cantata "The Shadow of the Cross". Many who attended, found the service an enriching component of their Holy Week activities. Your willingness to give your time and energy to sing is greatly appreciated. Fred Gingrich

? Kelsy and I would like to thank the Rev. John Borthwick and the Rev. Jan Hazlett for taking care of my Dad's spiritual needs over the past year. It was very comforting to also see so many elders and St. Andrew's friends at the visitation and service for him. I am most grateful to my church family. Thanks also for the many cards and thoughtful letters and prayers throughout the year. My family was impressed to see many church members come to the house and hospital. A special thanks to Ross Pauli (Dad's Elder), Nancy Nicol and Heather Anderson. Darlene and Kelsey Lepage

FOOD DRIVE

The first Sunday of each month (**May 6th**) has been designated Food Drive Sunday (please mark these Sundays on your calendar as a reminder.) All food collected is given to the Guelph Food Bank and Chalmers Food Pantry. While all donations are welcome, each month there will be a suggestion for the 'food of the month' - **May is "BABY FOOD" month.** A cash donation would also be greatly appreciated. (You may use 3rd line on Offering Envelope). The Outreach Committee



Please note that registration and information forms for campers and leaders for the Guelph Presbyterian Day Camp are now available on the Welcome Centre, Hallway Bulletin Board or from the Church Office.

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
The Heart of Christianity: Discovering a Life of Faith
by Marcus J. Borg (2003)

Will hold its first discussion at the church on **May 3, 2006 at 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. in The Loft** and the following four Wednesdays at the same time.

Topics for discussion for the first session include: sharing our traditions, the emerging paradigm, the rise of fundamentalism (Ross Pauli) and progressive Christianity, definitions of faith, the meaning of faith and the relationship between change and faith.

These topics are based on the first two chapters.

For more information, please contact
 Karen Dimock or Bill McKinnie

A.K.D. ACTIVITIES

The A.K.D. Circle has had a busy winter which is also continuing into the spring season. We met in the afternoon for the first four months, but will revert to the evening with the change in the weather.

Our speakers have included The Rev. John Borthwick, Bev Broughton from the Salvation Army, Cindy Bray and Darlene Lepage, and Wilma Welsh, Moderator Elect.

We provided refreshments after the Lenten Service, a display of the history of the A.K.D. for Women's Celebration Day and are looking forward to holding our second Luncheon and Card Party on May 18th. We hope the congregation will support this fund-raising event.

LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY

Thursday May 18, 2006 at 12:30 p.m.

A full lunch will be served in the Church Hall at 12:30 followed by the card party (and prizes).

Tickets (\$10) are available in the Church Hall after the Worship Service, from an A.K.D. member, from the Church Office (822-4772) or by contacting Lorraine Gates (823-1019).



LEADING WITH CARE

As members of this congregation, we all seek to contribute to, and garner spiritual fulfillment from, the work of our church. Most of us are able to do so because in our time with this church family we have experienced what we know to be its safe and supportive environment. However, consider for a moment, the perspective of a newcomer to our church - perhaps someone who has not known, or been able to count upon, such an environment for themselves and their families. They would surely rest comfortably knowing that their prospective church family has in place, and follows, policies and procedures designed to ensure that safety and support can be found in any of its ministries or programs.

The themes of safety and support are at the heart of a policy known as Leading with Care, which has been developed and adopted by the Presbyterian Church in Canada for use in each of its member churches. The foundation of this policy is the idea that all persons, and in particular all children, youth and vulnerable adults, who participate in our church's programs or ministries, or use our church's facilities, will be cared for with Christian compassion and will be safe.

This policy draws on one of our church's central teachings that as believers in Jesus Christ, we are to follow his example by assuring that the young and vulnerable around us are lovingly cared for and protected. It was also developed out of a need to address practical questions posed to our church leadership through the years, such as: Does the church have policies related to youth programs conducted on or off church property and do we have appropriate ratios of leaders to children in our church school programs? Ever more stringent requirements of the insurance industry have also been a driving reality.

As a result, many years of consultation and development by the national church have gone into the Leading with Care policy. Here at St. Andrew's, a team of folks representing the Session, Pastoral Care Committee, Board of Managers and the Congregation have been struck to go about the work of implementing this policy. In the coming months, we will be working with the leadership of various ministries, such as pastoral care, education and Presbyterian day camp, to ensure each has directives and procedures in place consistent with this policy. If you have any questions about this policy or its implementation here at St. Andrew's, you are encouraged to approach any of the

Leading with Care team members listed below, as well as Rev. Jan or Rev. John, for further information. You are also invited to have a look through the Leading with Care policy manual from the national church, which can be found in our Library. Phyllis Mattar, Nancy Nicol, David Spencer, Mary Visser Kerr

ECUMENICAL CAMPUS MINISTRY

The Annual General Meeting of the Board of the Ecumenical Campus Ministry, University of Guelph, takes place on Wednesday, May 10th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Arboretum Centre boardroom. Members of local churches are welcome to attend. The focus of the meeting will be a student survey recently taken on campus looking at students' religious and spiritual needs. No RSVP needed – just join us!

YOUTH SCHEDULE

Outreach Youth

- May 5-6 Famine - Meet at Church on 5th at 5:00 p.m.
Start Getting sponsors now
Each person should try and reach a goal of \$100
- May 17 Disc. Night - Meet at Wardell House at 6:30 p.m.
Bring a potluck item to share for dinner
- May 26 Indoor and Outdoor Games
- June 16 Canoe and Outdoor trip.

Core Youth

- May 5 7-9 pm Ceilidh Dance @ St. Andrew's
- May 6 4-6 pm Basketball @ First Baptist
- May 8 7-8:30 pm Blast and Refuel Bible Study
@ Bakers, 30 Robertson Drive
- May 12 7-9:30 pm "I Love my Mom Scavenger Hunt"
@ Royal City (Cost \$3)
- May 13 4-6 pm Basketball @ First Baptist
- May 19 7-9 pm Mini Golf @ St. Andrew's (Cost \$7)
- May 19 – 21 Senior High Pitch 'n Praise Retreat
(Cost \$97 Leaving Royal City @ 5 pm)
- May 22 7-8:30 pm Blast and Refuel Bible Study
@ Bakers, 30 Robertson Drive
- May 26 Mount Nemo Hike and BBQ @ St. Andrew's
(Cost \$5)

IT'S TIME TO RALLY AND BLAZE THE TRAIL!

Once again the Education Team has plans for our second annual "Open House." This event will take place on September 10, which has traditionally been Rally Day, a time of gathering together to celebrate the beginning of a brand new season at St. Andrew's. The doors of St. Andrew's will be open to the public immediately following the service for about an hour.

In September, groups and committees of this congregation resume their activities. For the Open House, all committees, teams and groups are invited to set up a display to tell about their purpose, their activities and their plans for the year. This will be a time to learn about how you can participate in this congregation. Last year it was wonderful to see just how much does happen at St. Andrew's! Also available on that Sunday will be a light lunch, the Bible Trail Guide, and guided tours of the Sanctuary.

This year will be extra exciting as we embark on the Bible Trail. In worship for the next three years, Rev. John and Rev. Jan will base their sermons and the worship services on each of the books of the Bible. Along with this new direction, there will be new ways for everyone to more fully experience the Bible Trail. Children in Church School will also be following the Bible Trail, so we will be on this journey together. Be sure to get your official Bible Trail Guide and Trail Mix!

St. Andrew's Open House will be advertised in our local newspapers, and with signs and invitations inside and outside our church. We hope to reach those in our community who might be interested in joining us for Sunday Worship or for those interested in seeing inside our building.

There will be greeters to welcome and direct people to the information displays or to the Sanctuary for a tour. There will be hot dogs and beverages and much fun for all! We have officially made this our BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY! Now is a good time to think of who you will invite to our worship and our OPEN HOUSE.

Yours in His Service, Sharon Ireland

A kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom children while they were drawing. As she got to one little girl, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without missing a beat, the girl replied, "They will in a minute!"

BAKE BREAD FOR CORNSHARE

Calling all Bakers - It's planting time for Cornshare! Once again, fresh-baked breads will be offered for sale to raise money for our local Cornshare initiative of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, after the services on the last three Sundays of May (14, 21, 28). Are you a baker who is willing to donate your favourite breads, rolls, muffins, etc for sale? If you can help out with baking, or if you can help with purchasing and eating, please mark May 14, 21 and 28 on your calendars!

The Missions Committee

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is surprising how quickly eight months can pass. When I arrived in September 2005 my family and I had come back from an entire summer in Scotland. We were returning to many new things, a new church family, a new apartment and for me a new Job. I enjoyed making new friends at St. Andrew's and found the church full of people with smiles and warm hearts. Some of my favourite memories are from Core Youth, Badminton, Sunday School and Breakaway. I have had the privilege of learning about the deep spiritual side that Rev. Jan has been patiently teaching me. A day of prayer, times of spiritual reflection and looking at different methods of worshiping and worship styles has broadened my appreciation for some areas of Christianity that I had not explored. I have learned about the liturgical calendar and some of the distinctives of the Presbyterian Church. I even enjoyed going to Presbytery and seeing how efficiently the churches are working together in our area. At present, I am awaiting a call from a Baptist church and am employed in Guelph using my Chemistry degree. My father-in-law has been praying that I become a Presbyterian and in some ways here at St. Andrew's I am. My family has decided to continue at St. Andrew's through the summer as we have friendships and activities that we are enjoying in this body of Christ. All God's blessing to you all and thank you for your gifts as a community that has blessed my family. Dan Scott, Candidate for Ministry (no longer a student)

FAIR TRADE COFFEE AND COFFEE HOUR

What is "Fair Trade" coffee and how does it differ from "conventionally-traded" coffee? Fair trade attempts to create a trading partnership between producers, traders and consumers that is equitable, i.e., small producers are guaranteed a "fair" price that is above the price of production, usually about 28% of the retail price. Conventionally-traded coffee is bought from the producer at whatever low price the trader offers, and passes through many middlemen; only about 10% of the retail price of this type of coffee goes to the producer. Under Fair Trade, the producer sells his beans to a cooperative or directly to a fair trade importer who pays 6¢ - 8¢ above the market price (the "fair price"). In addition, lines of credit are provided at rates of interest similar to those charged here and long-term contracts of at least two harvests are provided. Some of the collateral benefits of this system are greater economic stability with resultant social stability, and wider use of sustainable and ecologically-sound agricultural practices, such as interplanting, reduced deforestation, and reduced pesticide use.

Certain groups within St. Andrew's have opted to serve Fair Trade coffee for Coffee Hour. Fair Trade coffee is available at a wholesale price of \$6 /pd, although the retail price may be \$12 /pd. Large cans of Maxwell House at No Frills are priced at \$6.40 /kg or ~\$3 /pd. Fair Trade coffee is more expensive because the intent is to pay the producer a non-exploitive price for his product. The groups that serve Fair Trade coffee have chosen to "put their money where their mouth is" in relation to this economic /social justice issue, at least while they are at church. In today's increasingly "globalized" economy, it is everyone's responsibility to consider the conditions under which the products were made; support of Fair Trade products is thought by some to be one positive step in that direction. The Missions Committee

Ring in Spring

The Bells of St. Andrew's

Director: Fred Gingrich

Flute: Karen Penwarden

Wednesday, May 17th, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.



St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Financial Statement Summary – March 31, 2006

	February	March	To Date
Number of Sundays	4	4	13
Church Operating Account (Maintenance)			
Receipts	<u>20,054</u>	<u>15,398</u>	<u>59,158</u>
Expenses			
Personnel	17,272	18,615	55,932
Programs	300	1,078	4,539
Property and Office.....	<u>8,777</u>	<u>3,685</u>	<u>19,995</u>
Shortfall.....	<u>(6,295)</u>	<u>(7,980)</u>	<u>(21,308)</u>
Rented Property Account			
Receipts	11,051	9,349	30,435
Expenses.....	9,502	3,752	21,408
Balance.....	1,549	5,597	9,027
Presbyterians Sharing			
Givings	3,907	4,271	12,562

SUBMISSION POLICY

To read a copy of the Guidelines of the "Inspire" see the Bulletin Board at the Welcome Centre.

Submissions will normally be no longer than ¼ to ½ of a 5 ½ by 8 ½ inch page. **All submissions must be received by the Office no later than the 2nd last Sunday of every month.** Every submission will be edited and approved by the Ministerial staff before appearing in the **Inspire**.

Submissions will be received by e-mail or hand/type-written, no verbal submissions will be accepted. Submissions may be handed into the Office or placed in the **Inspire** mail slot.

All submissions must include the name of the person (or group making the submission). These name(s) will be published in the **Inspire**. Anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

The Ministers will act as content editors as well. They will make all decisions as to which information is suitable for inclusion. These decisions will be based on suitability as well as availability of space. Privacy is a common concern these days. It will be the policy of the Inspire editorial team to only publish congregational news that is submitted by the individual it concerns or that individual's family member. No third party submissions will be accepted.