

nonamenews

st. andrew's presbyterian church
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"About my loaves and fishes...
could I get a receipt for tax purposes?"

The *nonamenews* is a monthly communication resource of:

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A WORD FOR THE NEW YEAR

*We, the people of God have a human face.
We laugh, we weep,
we wait in hope.
We lift our eyes,
and stub our toes,
we love, and struggle, we fail, we stand,
and always we stand on trembling ground.*

*But God is God
and Jesus is the Christ
and the Spirit will lift up our feet.*

*God is in the centre,
God is at the endings.*

*Nothing lies beyond, the love of God in Christ
(Dorothy McRae McMahon)*

May our New Year begin and end surrounded by the love, mercy and grace of God in Christ Jesus. May our congregation experience the renewing energy of the Holy Spirit. And may we be a continuing witness to the Good News to all whom we encounter in this community and beyond. Rev. John Borthwick

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 workers 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.

Glen Mhor and Iona ~ Synod Camping

Welcome, everyone, to 2006 and a new beginning for camping in this Synod. This year, both the **Iona** Programme and the **Glen Mhor** Programme will be hosted at the **Baysville** property. The Iona programme is the wilderness programme of the Presbyterian Church where campers spend a week in small, co-ed units learning about themselves and about God's creation in a new and meaningful way. The Glen Mhor programme is a residential programme based on a unit philosophy which provides lots of activity options and daily Bible study and discussion. For information on both of these programmes, or to register for the coming summer, visit www.ilovecamp.org.

Synod Camping Office: 705.767.3300 www.ilovecamp.org



The math teacher saw that little Davie wasn't paying attention in class. She called on him and said, "Davie! What are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?" Little Davie quickly replied, "NBC, CBS, HBO and the Cartoon Network!"

GUELPH DOCTOR SEEKING SUPPORT FOR AN EXISTING HIV/AIDS CLINIC IN AFRIA

As reported in the December 1st, 2005 edition of the Guelph Mercury, Dr. Anne-Marie Zajdlik is accelerating her plan to raise money to expand the services of an existing HIV/AIDS Clinic in Lesotho, South Africa. Dr. Zajdlik is a family doctor in Guelph who was instrumental in establishing the Masai Centre for Local, Regional and Global Health in Guelph in partnership with the AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County. The African clinic would be a partnership with the Masai Centre. The fundraising project's objective is to raise \$10 from every citizen in Guelph in order to reach \$1 million that Dr. Zajdlik will take with her to Lesotho in July 2006. For more information about the project or to make a donation, call the Masai Centre at 780-5398.

The Missions Committee

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

THE A.K.D. CIRCLE

The A.K.D. Circle of St. Andrew's Church had a busy time in the last months of the year. We assisted at an anniversary celebration as well as helping with a reception at a funeral. In November, we held our annual cheese sale and the profits (\$500) were given to the campaign for helping AIDS victims in Africa. We also were able to donate in 2005, \$5,808.73 to the following charities: African Fish Project, World Vision, Sister Christine's Drop-In Centre (Welcome Inn), Armagh, Evangel Hall, Sleeping Children Around the World, Salvation Army Christmas Appeal, Rev. John for Christmas needs, mission trip support, the coffee hour, two in memoriam gifts, food voucher support, stewardship to W.M.S., honorarium for a guest speaker, Women's Inter Church Council, Friendship of the Least Coin, kitchen supply and an HIV Medi-Pac.

We would be pleased to welcome new members who would be interested in serving the church, missions and outreach.

Joyce Pauli for The A.K.D. Circle



Koinonia

Koinonia fellowship potluck supper/speaker evening for folks of ALL ages will meet Saturday, February 18th at 6:30 p.m. Our special guest will be **Jennifer Marett**.

Jennifer participated on a mission trip to Nicaragua last summer and will tell us the stories of her trip. All are welcome.

For further information contact Anne/John Holman at 822-0153.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, February 18, at 8:30 a.m.

We extend a cordial invitation to you to join with the men of St. Andrew's for warm fellowship and a delicious breakfast catered by Zena and Andrew of the Cafe Chopin for only \$6.75. Watch the various notice boards for more detailed information on this popular event.



Be sure to sign up in the Church Hall or call the Church Office (822-4772) and ask May to add your name to the list.

A warm welcome awaits you at St. Andrew's.

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, February 4th at 8:30 a.m.**

? Springfield Golf & Country Club

? Come and enjoy a full breakfast for only \$8

? Guest Speaker: Ruth Coghill

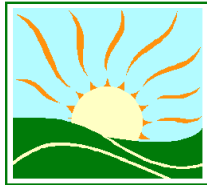
? Topic: Women of Wisdom:

Discovering Principles of Practical Daily Living

? 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.



HELP US BY SAVING YOUR :

Used Postage Stamps – for Leprosy Relief

Campbell's Soup Labels – Education Programs

Ultra Cash Register Tapes – convert to cash

Zehrs Cash Register Tapes – 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.

THERE ARE TWO WAYS OF SPREADING LIGHT:

TO BE A CANDLE, OR THE MIRROR THAT REFLECTS IT.

EDITH WHARTON

The Friday Brown Bag continues...

beginning with... the now controversial...

A Million Little Pieces by James Frey



On four Fridays in the Spring, we will 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 or all of the four dates. Pre-registration is not required.

Schedule:

A Million Little Pieces by James Frey

Feb. 24th

The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver

Mar. 31st

My Sister Sam by Jodi Picoult

Apr. 28th

Walking the Bible by Bruce Feiler

May 26th

FOOD DRIVE

The first Sunday of each month (**February 5**) has been designated Food Drive Sunday. All food collected is given to the Guelph Food Bank and Chalmers Food Pantry. A cash donation would also be greatly appreciated. (You may use 3rd line on Offering Envelope).
The Outreach Committee



Thank You!

I wish to express my grateful thanks to those of the Church Family who attended Norm's funeral and sent cards of sympathy. I appreciate your kind thoughts and the generous donations you made in Norm's memory.
Thank You, Mabel Secord

A very special thank you to all the people of the church, who called, sent cards and visited while I was sick (especially Anne Holman who went out of her way to do special things).
With gratitude, Betty Beard

We thank our St. Andrew's family for your presence at the visitation and funeral of Donald Miller Blair, for your expressions of sympathy, cards and for the donations received in his memory. Your warmth and compassion for our loss is most comforting and greatly appreciated.
The Blair Family

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.standrewsquelph.com and completing the appropriate confidential form which goes directly to the church administrator.

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.



LOST, ABANDONED, FORGOTTEN, REJECTED

We are starting to accumulate quite a supply of the above items which have been placed on a table in the Church Hall (**January 29th and February 5th**). Please try and rescue your forgotten belongings.

Items which are unclaimed by February 5th will be given to various charities in town or, unfortunately, go to the city landfill.

Darlene LePage & May Goodwin

Joys and Concerns

We celebrate with:

- ? The **McAllister Family** on the baptism of Michaela Anne McAllister, daughter of Donna (McAllister) and Michael Schmidt, and granddaughter of John & Marie McAllister.
- ? The **Beisel Family** on the baptism of Evan Patrick Beisel, son of Tom and Melissa (Martin) Beisel and great-grandson of Bill & Muriel Bainborough.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

- ? The **Swanton Family** on the death of Mildred Swanton,
- ? The **Blair Family** on the death of Donald Blair,
- ? The **McKenzie Family** on the death of Trudy McKenzie

"THE WELL"

We were able to attend only two of the Wednesday evening Advent sessions at "The Well". With Rev. Jan's direction and encouragement, we learned some of the benefits of the discipline of meditation, and how to find new truths in a familiar scripture passage. It is so easy to approach our bible reading as an English exercise, rather than an opportunity to grow spiritually from time with the "living word". We would recommend taking advantage of learning about meditation when an opportunity is given in the future. Thank you, Jan, for your time and effort in opening new pathways for us. Helen & Jim Brisbin

TAKE A BREAK FROM WINTER

Go Camping.

You won't get cold and you will have fun.

On the last Friday in February we will be having Camp Night at St. Andrew's. Everyone is invited. Come and play the games, eat camp snacks, watch skits and sing the songs that are all a part of going to camp. Whether you are an old hand at camping or have never been, this evening is for you. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, February 24th



HOW NOT TO BE RELIGIOUS

This is just one of the topics in the Bible study that is taking place every Sunday morning from 9 until 10 am. We are studying Christ's Sermon on the Mount from the gospel of Matthew, Chapter 6. You don't need to have a background in bible study to join the group in the parlour for discussion, learning and personal growth.

The best vitamin for a Christian is B1.

MARY RIFE TO AFRICA

In November, Mary Rife was fortunate to be sent by the Presbytery on an African AIDS exposure tour to Malawi. Mary was awed to see the Malawian people join together and volunteer countless hours to looking after the AIDS orphans, taking care of the sick and dying, and educating people about AIDS and AIDS prevention. She was also amazed by the great effort of Presbyterian World Service and Development as they worked with the Malawian Presbyterian Church to provide food for the orphans and AIDS training for the educators and help for the farmers trying to grow crops in drought conditions. Thanks go to St. Andrew's for supporting the garage sale and the AIDS fish project to raise money for PWS&D and for the generous donation of four Medi-Packs that contained over \$23,000 worth of drugs. The medicines went to the very grateful Presbyterian Hospital at Ekwendeni in northern Malawi.



Mary Rife

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The Heart of Christianity: Discovering a Life of Faith by Marcus J. Borg (2003)

In *The Heart of Christianity*, Borg focuses on how to be a true Christian in our post-modern world. He rejects the literalist or fundamentalist approach, and looks for new meaning and authenticity.

Dates: Last week in April and first four weeks in May.

Day and time to be decided by the group.

Location: 47 Woodborough Road, Guelph
(Bill & Sheilagh McKinnie's house)

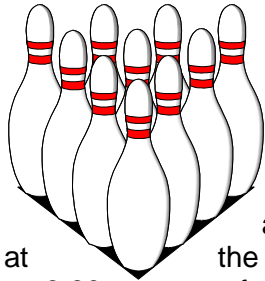
Cost: \$23.50 Group Size: 8 – 12 people

Approach: Open, informal and relaxed

Contact: May Goodwin at the Church Office 822-4772.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SESSION

- ? Session formed an Archives Committee consisting of Bill McKinnie and Jim Rife (with power to add) to catalogue and preserve our records and artifacts. If you haven't seen the renovated Archives room upstairs, which will be named in honour of Rev. Dr. Peter Darch, get one of the committee to show it to you.
- ? Session disbanded the Human Resources Management, Session Support and Welcome Committees, since each had been inactive for varying lengths of time. A working group will be named by Session to make recommendations re areas of responsibility of these three committees which may have been overlooked in the reorganization of Session.
- ? A "Leading With Care Committee" will be named and become a standing committee of Session, charged with putting the Leading With Care policy into action, as well as overseeing the ongoing adherence to it. Members will come from the congregation, Session, Board, CE Team and Pastoral Care Leadership Team. The CE Team has already been working on the policy.
- ? Session approved the installation of 2 stained (coloured) glass windows at the rear of the sanctuary, which will be seen as one enters the church through the front door. The windows are the initiative of the WA, to honour the women of St. Andrew's, past and present, who have worked for the betterment of the church.



BOWLING AND PIZZA PARTY

On Saturday, February 26th, the Congregational Life Committee would like to invite all friends and families to our bowling and pizza party. We have held this event for some years and it always turns out to be a good time for all ages. We will be meeting

at the Homewood Health Centre on Delhi Street at 3:30 p.m. for bowling and are then invited to the Nicol's home, 324 Metcalfe Street, for a Pizza Party. The price is \$5 per person or \$10 per family. The sign up sheet is located on the Welcome Centre bulletin board. We hope to see you there.

FINANCIAL REPORT – January 1 to December 31, 2005

Why do we give? We give because we have witnessed with our eyes the transforming, resurrecting power of God's love. It affects people's lives and hearts, in part through the ministries that this church performs and provides. Ministries need supplies, leaders, staff, paper and sheet music - worldly stuff for an out of this world revelation of God.

OUR RESPONSE:

Account	Actual Budget	Actual to Date	Percent of Goal
St. Andrew's	225,000	222,875	99
Presbyterians Sharing	51,700	52,490	102
		Actual	
PWS&D – General		16,336	
PWS&D – Tsunami		6,918	
PWS&S – S.Asia Earthquake		1,186	
PWS&D – Hurricane Katrina		1,478	
PWS&D - Aids		12,590	
Cornshare		4,971	

For a more detailed picture, please pick up your copy of the Annual Report, which will be available on Sunday, February 12th. Join us the following Sunday (February 19th) after the church service for our Annual Meeting. Receipts for tax purposes are now in your folder at the Welcome Centre. Once again, thank you and please make plans to join us for the Annual Meeting.

BREAKING NEWS

BREAKAWAY DOES ALPHA!

Starting February 1st at 9:30 a.m. for coffee. You will be free by 11:30 a.m. Everyone Welcome.

KNOX CHURCH DOES DANCING!

February 11th at 8:00 p.m. Fellowship Valentine's Dance Popular music and oldies by John Haines, DJ Trip the Light Fantastic at Knox! Wow! See notice board for more information

MCGILLIVRAY DOES BENEFIT!

Watch the next issue of the 'nonamenews' for information about Peter McGillivray's AIDS benefit concert on April 9th.

What you do speaks so loudly that I cannot hear what you say. Ralph Waldo Emerson

SUBMISSION POLICY

To read a copy of the Guidelines of the *nonamenews* 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 **nonamenews**.

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 **nonamenews** mail slot.

All submissions must include the name of the person (or group making the submission). These name(s) will be published in the **nonamenews**. 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 noname 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.