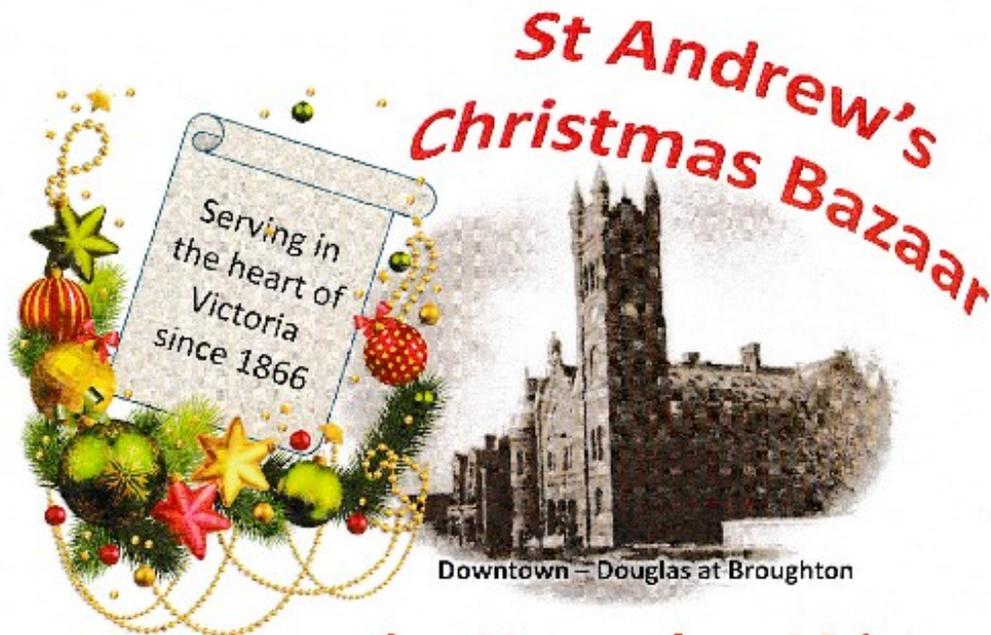


St. Andrew's THE LINK



Saturday November 18st

Admission is free - 11:30 am to 3:00 pm
Entrance to Kirk Hall - 680 Courtney St

Christmas Tea



Kids Play Zone



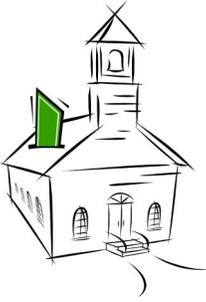
- Baking, jams, jellies**
- Crafts, Quilts**
- Children's fun zone**
- Books**
- Jewelry**
- Attic Treasures**
- Thrift Shop**
- Silent Auction**



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Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's travail ... it's the Fall season of the year; 2018 is right around the corner & as I fulfill my role as Treasurer, that means budget time. There is a process behind this & while setting the 2018 budget markers in place does require anticipating change & forward movement, tracking how we have done over the last year is of utmost importance as it helps determine the direction we are taking.



Over the next few months the Congregation will be asked to consider this budget as well as our report card on the past years journey. But let me begin with providing a preliminary summary of our 2017 financials. You will recall that the 2017 budget as approved by the Congregation anticipated an operating budget deficit of \$33,648. You may recall that the challenge put forward to the Congregation at this time last year was summarized as follows:

"Our 2017 income targets reflect again the need for increased financial support with an overall increase required of approximately 8%. Our expenditures budget has been kept as flat as possible & with a united focus on an increase in givings, we can reach our 2017 givings targets. While this will still result in a deficit, meeting the targets will be a big step in addressing this ongoing deficit."

I regret to inform the Congregation that we have fallen short of the Congregational givings target & thus anticipate an operating deficit of about \$70,000, approximately double the target agreed to for 2017. As you all know, St. Andrew's has some other sources of income & they are meeting the targets set for 2017. & those incomes plus a draw from our reserves has allowed us to meet our operational obligations for 2017.

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I am pleased to inform you that the Congregation of St. Andrew's ... all you who work & so diligently support the work & services at St. Andrew's, has been blessed by three Estate gifts, two of which will be or have been received this year & the last anticipated in 2018. These extraordinary gifts are meant to support & maintain our wonderful infrastructure allowing the Congregation to get on with our day to day obligations. While the Operating Budget reflects the annual financial support needed from the Congregation to meet the costs of the day to day running & "out-reaches" of the church, the Reserve Funds (allocated & unallocated) are made up largely from one-time lump-sum donations & bequests & are in place to support capital projects, repairs & other major undertakings. In an ideal world, the two, the Operating Budget & the Reserve Funds, should be mutually independent & self-sustaining & one should not be cannibalized to make up for deficiencies in the other. As we have no mortgage & carry no debt load, the Reserve Funds are primarily targeted for supporting the capital needs of St. Andrew's.

Thus, with that in mind, it is time to redouble our efforts to find the finances required to support our annual operations budget & work to eliminate our operating budget deficit.

As we bring our budget & annual reports forward for your approvals & year end processes, we will find ways to start to re-address aspects of our stewardship plan which will address the financial deficit position.

Sincerely

J. E. Reimer, Treasurer

Remembering Kellie Shand

On Saturday, October 14th, 2017 over 600 persons attended a celebration of life for Kellie Shand at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Victoria. Kellie was an elder and long-time member of the church and the large attendance was evidence of all the love and admiration that people...family, friends, and co-workers... felt for him.



Kellie always had a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye and a willingness to help out with whatever had to be done at the church. He helped with the sound system, taking up the offering, serving communion, babysat in the nursery, led the singing while playing the piano at Tuesday evening hymn-sings as needed and was quick to assist with any building, fixing and repairs.

Born in Victoria, Kellie passed away at work at the Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre on October 4th. Because he was a man in the prime of his life, his sudden death shocked everyone who knew him. He is sorely missed by his beloved wife, Ardath; five children, Christie, David (Marcie), Paul, Andrew (Lynn) and Sara (Dylan); 9 grandchildren; his sister Marguerite and his brother, Angus; a large extended family; many friends and numerous co-workers.

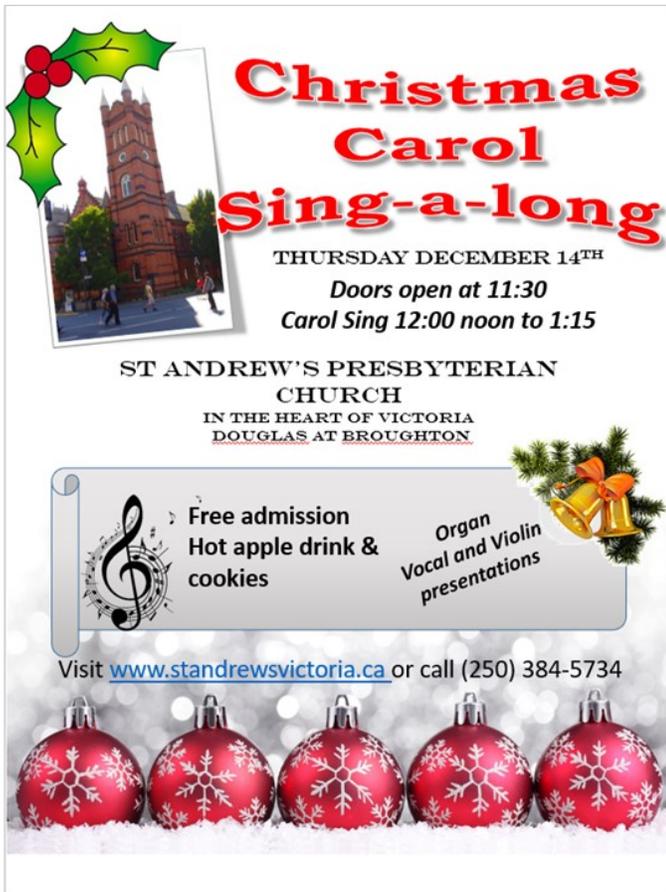
Kellie had trained as a mechanic and ran his own service station for several years. For the last 22 years he worked as a corrections officer at VIRCC, where his humility, generosity and kindness won him the respect of both his co-workers and inmates. Over 145 officers from provincial and local police, correctional, sheriff and paramedic agencies formed an honour guard as a tribute to Kellie before the celebration service.

Kellie's deep faith in God was evident in his life and work. He was a reflection of Christ's love for mankind in the way he lived his life by serving others and freely sharing his time, energy, hospitality and love with anyone and everyone. He will be greatly missed by everyone at St. Andrew's but his legacy of service and kindness will be remembered for a long time.



Submitted by Debra Verwey

Photo Submitted by Marilyn Bullock



**Christmas
Carol
Sing-a-long**

THURSDAY DECEMBER 14TH
Doors open at 11:30
Carol Sing 12:00 noon to 1:15

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Men's Breakfast



The November Saturday Breakfast will be cancelled so that we can better support our annual church bazaar. Our next & last breakfast for this year will be

held on the 1st Saturday of December (Sat. Dec. 2nd). This will be the same time and place that the women usual hold their monthly breakfast.

Folk will meet in the Café Bon Appetit on the 5th floor of the downtown Bay Center from 10 -11 am.

Our advent topic will be how we can be more "Christ-like" and how we can radiate His light. Advent themes of hope, peace, joy and love will be great Christmas gifts for us to embrace and will help us to shine more like Him, our "Christ candle".

Ladies' Saturday Morning Breakfast



10:00 AM—DEC. 2 ~ JAN. 6

Café Bon Appetit The Bay Downtown

Join the ladies for laughter, friendship and fellowship once a month. This is our chance to connect without the distractions of children, spouses and general busyness. Please don't hesitate to bring a friend with you. The Bay has a full breakfast menu and you can order a full breakfast or just have a cup of coffee.

If you wish you can add \$5 to the pot and help raise funds for the development of Handicap access from the Church to the Kirk Hall.

Moonlight Muncher

The deer is a nocturnal beast
To whom a flowerbed's a feast
And that explains, as well it might,
Why shepherds watch their phlox by night.

D.A.W. (new England folk poet)

Vancouver Island Women's Weekend 2017

Five us from St. Andrew's were part of 40 women from across our Presbytery meeting at Camp Imadene for our Fall Retreat. Our speaker was The Rev. Dr. Karen Horst from St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Orillia, Ontario. The theme for the weekend was preparing to the Advent/Christmas season. As Karen led us through the Advent themes of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love, we looked at a variety of quotes that were a springboard for our small group discussions on exploring hope, anxiety, peace, perfectionism, joy, discouragement, judgment, discernment, and love. The journey into these themes spoke to many of us which brought tears at times, hugs, laughter, and the beginning of some healing hope.

On Friday evening, I led the evening vesper service using the theme of change and Fall leaves around us. I had made coloured leaves from construction paper with favourite Bible verses that people had shared with me and then they were given out to the women in our worship together. I used the Biblical text from Luke 8:22-25 where Jesus was in the boat with the disciples when a windstorm comes up and Jesus calms the storm. We talked about the storms in our lives and the questions in the text "where is your faith" and "who is this, that he commends even the winds and water, and they obey him" (who calms our storms).

On Saturday, there was an opportunity for being a bit creative with colouring and making JOY boxes for keep some of our own favourite quotes or keepsakes. In the evening, we had a fun evening with singing and games. At the end of our evening, the Rev. Laura Kavanagh led us in a Holden evening worship service.

On Sunday, we closed our time with worship and communion, The Rev. Laura Hargrove led us in a very meaning worship service using the scripture from John 8:3-11 about the scribes and Pharisees who brought a woman caught in the act of committing adultery which in turn ends up being a lesson in forgiveness and self-examination.

The Presbytery Women's Retreat usually happen once a year and plans are already in the works for another retreat next October at the same location. Camp Imadene is a wonderful setting for a retreat like this. There is a planning committee made up from representatives from each congregation on the island. They meet 3 to 4 times a year usually in Nanaimo but the Victoria area representatives carpool. They are looking for people who would like to join the planning committee for next year. If you'd consider being on the committee for next year for St. Andrew's, please let me know. It is a very important ministry and a fun group to work with.

Blessings! Ruth McCowan



Friendship Club Christmas Luncheon



- When:** 12: 00 Noon on Monday, December 11
- Where:** The **Blue Crab Restaurant**
Victoria Coast Hotel on Kingston St.
- What:** A traditional Roast Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings;
chef's special Christmas dessert; tea & coffee
- Who:** Members of the congregation & their guests are invited
- How Much:** \$30 per person
- Sign Up:** See or call **Bill Duke (250 708 0256)**

One More Sunday Before the Bazaar....

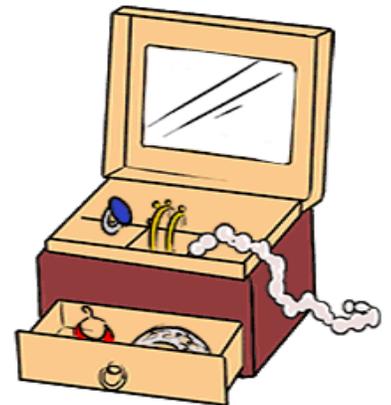
.....to bring your "JEWELRY TABLE" donations for the 2017 Christmas Bazaar! Donations that come in during bazaar week will also be processed in time for inclusion. It is never too late to donate!

Please consider asking friends, family & colleagues for donations too. Their generosity supports the work of St. Andrew's.

The "Jewellery Table" sells the following:

- adults & children's jewellery (contemporary & vintage) & watches (working or not)
- gently used change purses & wallets
- scarves, shawls & gloves (in good condition)
- jewellery & trinket boxes (made out of wood, glass & metal)
- SMALL fine collectibles

Please give your donations directly to Dianne Penner or Dawn McLean during coffee hour on November 12. If it is more convenient, you may drop your donations at the church office during the week. It helps if donations are labelled indicating that they are for the Bazaar Jewellery Table.



THANKS FOR SUPPORTING THE JEWELRY (& MORE) TABLE!

Halloween Hullabaloo

On Saturday, October 28, eighteen children & teenagers plus twenty adults took part in St. Andrew's Halloween Hullabaloo.

The goblins, monsters, soldiers, princesses & creatures began arriving around 1:30 p.m. Fortunately, at least three "police officers" were in attendance, as there was even an "escaped convict" in the crowd!

After completing their nametags, the attendees decorated place mats so that they had a location to store their belongings. At 2:00 p.m. the magician, Donald Dunphy, began his show. The children were thrilled to see many amazing tricks & illusions, all different from the show presented in 2016. Everyone was amazed when Angus was "cut in half" by Finlay, & even more amazed when Angus felt well enough to attend church the following day! Several children assisted the magician with his illusions. Dave Garson was fortunate that little Maggie did not lose track of the gold ring that he lent to the magician!

After Donald Dunphy's Show of Magic, the attendees took part in various activities, including both directed & open-ended craft projects. The children decorated & ate numerous cupcakes & had juice. Cupcakes & cookies were available for the adults as well as coffee & tea. Many children & adults did two different pumpkin crafts & others worked on fancy foam masks. The Creative Crafts Centre, where children used their imagination to create things from recycled objects, paper & masking tape, was a hit again this year. The children proudly showed us their creations designed totally on their own. In fact, at the end, five children were busy at this centre while the parents & other caregivers worked together to clean the tables, & organize the materials for storage.

This seasonal multi-age event would not have been possible without the assistance of Duncan Mackinnon & Sheelagh & Dave Garson who worked with setting up tables & chairs, & decorating the gym on Friday afternoon. The next day they arrived early to make tea & coffee & set out the food, as well as to see that the magician had assistance when he arrived. They also helped with running the dishwasher & reorganizing the furniture after the Hullabaloo was over. As well, Alison & Rodger Penner, as well as Stephanie Cupit helped with the final set up of centres on the day of the Hullabaloo & cleaning up at the end. On Sunday, after coffee hour, Jean Watt as well as Dave, Sheelagh & Rodger also assisted with taking down the decorations.

A special thank you also goes to John Mitchell, church photographer, who sent photographs to share with parents & grandparents.

Dianne Penner

Christian Education
Convener

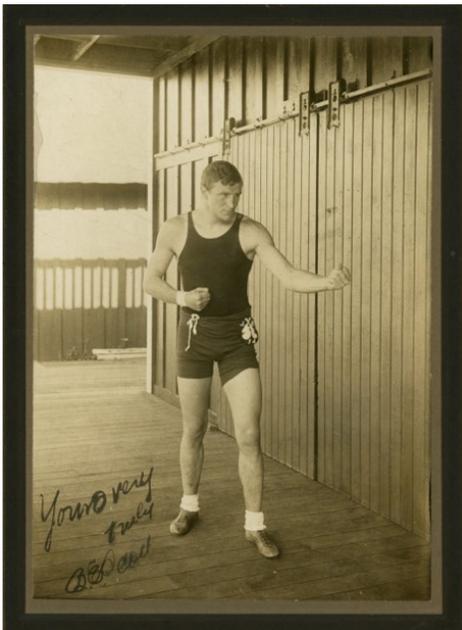




Lest We Forget



Each November 11th many of us gather round the local war memorial and in hushed tones mutter the words “Lest we forget”. In our church, the north wall is largely devoted to such memorials. The bronze tablet, in the centre of the wall, lists the names of twenty-nine soldiers from St Andrew’s who died in the First World War and the windows remind us of those who served in the Second World War. It is perhaps useful, from time to time to try to put a face on some of those names. For St Andrew’s in the Great War, perhaps the most intriguing story is that of Lieutenant Blayney Scott.



By any measure, he was a striking figure in Victoria. The oldest of seven children of Henry and Gertrude Scott, Blayney was a keen sportsman. He was the Pacific Northwest middleweight boxing champion in 1914. He was also a prominent rugby player and oarsman. As a junior reporter for the local newspaper, Blayney was featured in several articles leading groups of boys from the YMCA on camping adventures along the Gorge waterway. When war broke out, he was among the first to enlist as a trooper in the Canadian Mounted Rifles. He was quickly recognized as a natural leader and was commissioned as a Lieutenant. When serving with a Trench Mortar unit during the battle of Hill 70 in 1917, he was awarded the Military Cross for exceptional bravery. But for Blayney still other challenges awaited. He transferred to the Artillery and trained as an observer to fly with the Royal Air Force. In the summer of 1918 while flying over enemy lines, his aircraft was hit by anti aircraft fire and the fuel tank was punctured. Fearing that they would not make it back to their own lines, Blayney twice climbed out of

his observer’s position and onto the wing with a rag in his hand to plug the bullet holes. Although his action enabled the pilot to get back behind friendly lines, the plane crashed and Blayney was injured. He has awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for bravery. He quickly returned to flying duties only to survive yet another crash a few weeks later. He spent the last month of the war recovering from his injuries.

By February 1919, Blayney along with many others was on his way home. Ever seeking new adventures, he decided to embark a snow shoe trek while passing through Banff. Unfortunately he ended up with badly frost bitten feet and in March 1919 was admitted to the Esquimalt Military Hospital. By early summer, he was once again on his feet and off to northern BC as part of a surveying party but within a month, his multiple injuries began to take their toll and he was forced to return to Victoria. Sadly, by mid November, just a year after the end of the war, Blayney Scott died. At his funeral at Ross Bay Cemetery, Rev Dr Clay from St Andrew’s officiated. The coffin was carried on a gun carriage and escorted by fellow soldiers. A low flying aircraft overhead dropped a wreath inscribed with the words “Well done Blayney”.

It is of course tempting to see this heroic figure as unique; but the sad reality is that stories like his were all too common. Ross Bay Cemetery has over 130 graves of soldiers from the Great War. Some died on training and others like Blayney shortly after returning home. The same newspaper article that reported Blayney’s injury also reported the death of Major Gary, another Military Cross winner and two other wounded soldiers - Private Fox wounded for the third time and Private Riley for a fourth time.

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When we look at the rest of the family, we begin to get a better picture of the impact of the war. Blayney's three sisters, Gertrude, Connie and Bessie were part of a group of ten young women called the Sugar Plums who produced more than a ton of sweets to send to soldiers in France at a rate of almost three pounds a day for more than two years. His younger brother Gilling followed Blayney to France and was also wounded in action. You can still see the family home on Craigdarroch Rd. Megan Scott, Gilling's grand daughter is the owner of Ivy's Bookstore in Oak Bay.

Within the congregation of St. Andrew's, the impact of the war was staggering. When next you walk past that bronze tablet in the middle of the north wall, pause and read the name of Blayney Scott. Remember him and the others whose names are there inscribed. Remember also those who have followed. The recently unveiled Afghanistan Memorial behind the Court-house reminds us that even a century later we still ask much of those who serve in the uniforms of our country.



Submitted by Jim Kempling; Kirk Archivist

Session Report

At the October session meeting, session primarily dealt with the letter from Presbytery regarding the leave of the Reverend Bellsmith. The interim report of the Review of Ministry will be placed before the Presbytery of Vancouver Island at its next regular meeting, to be held November 13/14, 2017 in Parksville, BC.

During this time of leave, the Rev. Laura Kavanagh has been appointed as Moderator for the Interim. Rev. Kavanagh will ensure regular supply for the pulpit of St. Andrew's and will ensure pastoral care will be arranged for any pastoral emergencies. Please be assured that session is making certain that the planning for programs that we have come to expect in the fall and advent session in taking place even though the Reverend Bellsmith is on leave.

The clerks now have an official St. Andrews email address: session.clerk@standrewsvictoria.ca. From time to time the clerks have been sending out announcements to the congregation. If you have not been receiving them please email us and let us know and you will be placed on the list.

In this time of uncertainty, we must remember that as the church of St. Andrew's in Victoria we are called to be a witness to Jesus Christ. We continue to work, worship and pray together as a church family. We would ask that you pray for the Bellsmith family; Jeremy, Crystal, Emma and Elliot and for our church family at St. Andrews, and for the presbytery of Vancouver Island as they meet and deliberate in November.

Yours in Christ

David McLean and Sabine Teetzel, Clerks of Session

Ex Libris Ecclesiae

The Life of Our Lord, by Charles Dickens ~ Reviewed by Dave Rogers

Photo ~ Dave Rogers

This little book has been in the church library for at least 30 years, but was a total surprise to me. I had no idea that the Charles Dickens, of Oliver Twist and A Christmas Carol fame, had written a life of Christ.

It turns out that this volume flies under the radar for a reason. Dickens wrote it just for him to read to his own children, in 1849 when the oldest was about 11. His will stipulated that it not be published in his or their lifetimes, but rather be kept as a family treasure. Only after the youngest Dickens child passed away in 1934 was it published.

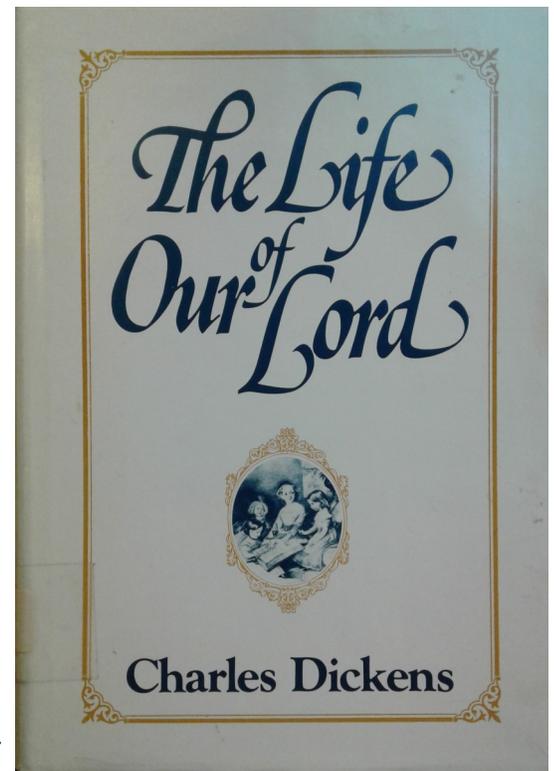
I once read a theologian's opinion about what one finds in a published "Life of Christ": some of it describes Christ's life, and the rest portrays the theological views of the author. Christianity does not feature strongly in Dickens' famous novels; those characters who are religious are as likely as not to be villains. One does not get a feeling for Dickens' own opinion of Christ from his principal writings. So I did not know that to expect, theology-wise, from this little volume.

I found it charming, and well suited for its purpose to be read aloud to children. Here is an excerpt of about a sentence and a half. Dickens tells how God had given Jesus *...power to heal the sick, and to give sight to the blind, and to do many wonderful and solemn things of which I shall tell you more bye and bye, and which are called "The Miracles" of Christ. I wish you would remember that word, because I shall use it again, and I should like you to know that it means something which is very wonderful and which could not be done without God's leave and assistance.*

Do you hear the Dickens rhythm? Also, do you notice how long the sentences are? Some are twice as long again! They are perfectly suited to being recited aloud by an adult, but please do not expect children to read The Life of Our Lord for themselves. The book may be short, but sentences that long will simply not make much sense to young readers.

Dickens tells the life of Christ as it happened – his birth, baptism (including "the voice of God, speaking up in heaven, heard to say 'This is my beloved Son'"), miracles, some of the parables, crucifixion, bodily resurrection, and ascension into heaven as the disciples watched. There are no maybes about Jesus' life; events really happened as described in the Bible.

The only dimension I found de-emphasized was the need for personal faith or allegiance to Christ. Dickens placed more emphasis upon being good and doing good, because Jesus wants His people to live good lives. Perhaps we are hearing a bit of Dickens' social activism coming through here — remember how Lives of Christ tend to reveal the theology of their authors? On the other hand, The Life of Our Lord is for young children, so a be-good moral is perhaps a good lesson to leave in place, after the story of Christ's life is told.



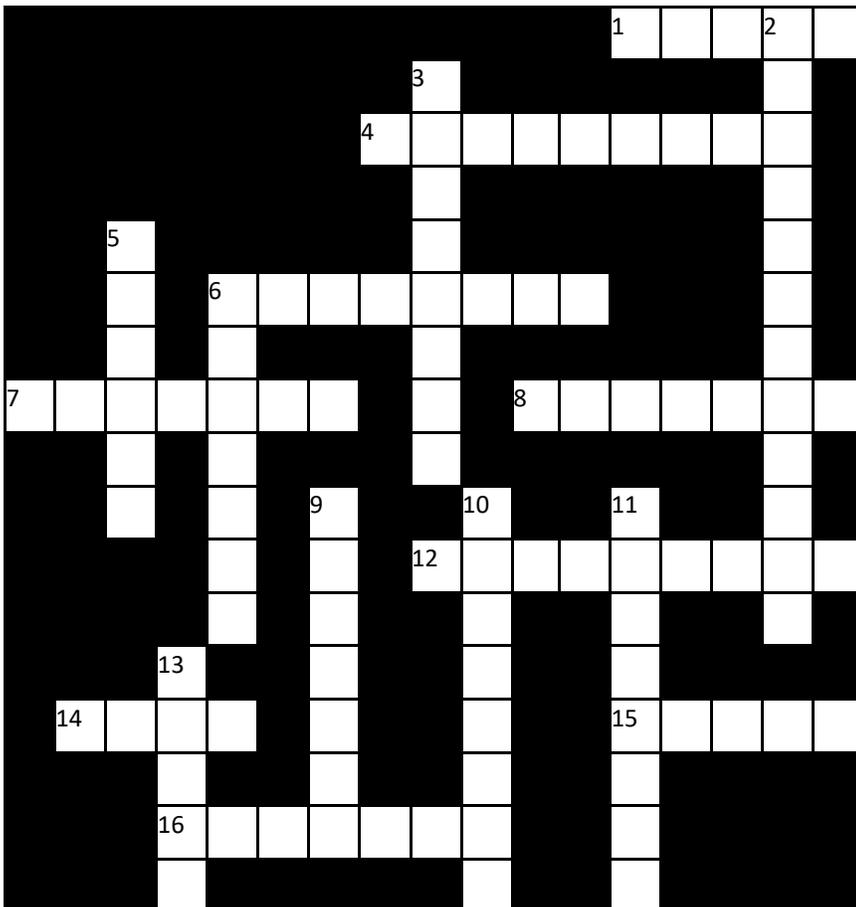
The Children's Page

John McCrae (Remembrance Day)



John McCrae was a Canadian soldier, doctor and poet who served in Europe during World War I. John grew up in a devout Presbyterian home in Ontario. At the beginning of the war he joined the British forces as a surgeon. On May 2, 1915, in the Flanders area of Belgium, one of John's friends died when an enemy shell exploded at his feet. The friend's death inspired John to write the well-known poem, *In Flanders Fields*, the following day. Today the poem is recited in many countries to help people remember those who served so that others could live in peace. Wearing scarlet memorial poppies, made of silk, plastic, felt or

paper has become a universal symbol of remembrance. We remember those who made sacrifices long ago so that we can live in peace today. As well, we remember those who still work to foster peace in many areas of the world.



Across

1. Flower...symbol of remembrance
4. Giving something up
6. Part of BELGIUM
7. Doctor who does operations
8. Often used to mark graves
12. Multi-national; all over
14. One who writes poems
15. Awarded for service/merit
16. Brave people have this

Down

2. Member of a Presbyterian church
3. Citizen of Canada
5. Canadian WWI poet
6. Liberty
9. Member of armed forces
10. Motivated
11. Not forget
13. Make _____, not war

Bible Verse of the Month

God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

Ride for Refuge: *Movers for Moms*

SUBMITTED BY DEBRA VERWEY ~ PHOTO BY RUTH MCCOWAN



Bruce and Ruth McCowan and I took part in the annual Victoria Ride for Refuge on Saturday, September 30th. Ride for Refuge is a cross-Canada event which raises money for many charities which must meet four criteria. The charity must:

- work with the displaced, vulnerable or exploited
- be in good standing with the CRA (Canadian Revenue Agency)
- have a vibrant culture of fundraising
- see the potential in the event and want to grow

We walked 5 kilometres around Beaver Lake, starting and finishing at Saanich Community Church on Wilkinson Road. Other

participants rode their bicycles 10, 25 or 50 kilometres. In Victoria, there were 301 participants in the event, 63 teams, 17 charities, 126 volunteers and \$94, 270 raised.

Across Canada, the goal of \$2,000,000 was surpassed by 106% with the final receipts as of October 30th, 2017 being \$2,136,604. Other amazing statistics...country-wide there were 6,378 participants, 1,059 volunteers, 29,934 donors, 186 charities, 106 sponsors and 26 locations.

Bruce, Ruth and I were the three participants on our team called Movers for Moms, m4m for short. We were fundraising for Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) to support women and children, helping them survive childbirth more often and lead healthier and stronger lives. The money we raised on September 30th will support the maternal, newborn and health programs in Malawi and Afghanistan.

Our goal was \$1000 and we raised 78% of this amount: \$775 in total! Thank you to everyone who donated to our team! Across Canada there were 8 teams supporting PWS&D's programs in Malawi and Afghanistan. 39 participants on these teams from London, Toronto, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Hamilton and Victoria raised \$9,989.00.

Next year in 2018, perhaps you would like to join our Movers for Moms team. The walk was very enjoyable in beautiful weather and the cause is such a good one. Or you can always make a donation. Something to think about....

Bible Facts

About 50 Bibles are sold every minute

The Bible, the world's best-selling book, is also the world's most shoplifted book.

Almonds and pistachios are the only nuts mentioned in the Bible.

Dogs are mentioned 14 times in the Bible, and lions 55 times, but domestic cats are not mentioned at all.

Courtesy of Christian Talk

St. Andrew's Alphabet

A - is for Anniversary 151th this year at St. Andrew's

B – is for Breakfasts served here, Bible study

C - is for Carol Sing, Choir, Committees

D - is for Douglas St. that is where you can find us

E - is for Enthusiasm, elders

F - is for Friendly Conversations, Fellowship

G - is for our God Given Gifts and gratitude

H - Hallowe'en Hullabaloo

I - is for Ideas we need them from you

J - is for Joy

K - is for Kirk Hall, kettles for tea

L - is for Lent, this season of preparation, Library, Laughter

M - is for Music, Mr. Quarter, our mission

N - Nursery, new friends

O - is for open church , Our Place and oats

P - is for Parish Nurse, Picnic, Pageant, the people of St. Andrews, Par and the pews that we sit in

Q - is for the Quilting Group

R - is for refugees, repairs for the roof

S - is for Sunday School, Share the Joy, the Sanctuary where we are every Sunday morning

T - is for Thanksgiving Food Drives, Christmas turkeys, TNT

U - is for ushers, urns of coffee

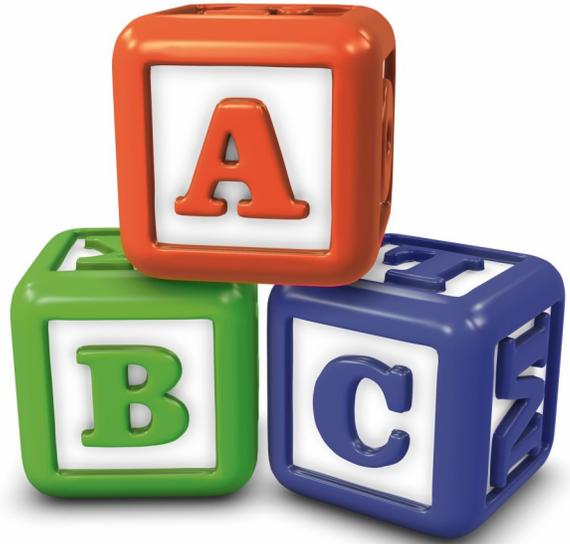
V - is for Victoria, our Vision

W - is for Welcome and worship

X - is for St. Andrews 'Cross and marks the spot

Y - is for you, we need you

Z - is for sleep - never in the sermon



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November at St. Andrews

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP		10 to NOON Thrift Shop Open	<i>Pandora Chorus Re-hearsal: 6:30 pm: Sanctuary</i>	St Andrew's Choir: 7:15 pm Sanctuary	Breakfast Set up	Breakfast for people in need
			<i>Out of the Rain Shelter: pm: Kirk Hall</i>			<i>Community Use: 6 pm: Kirk Hall</i>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP			<i>Pandora Chorus Re-hearsal: 6:30 pm: Sanctuary</i>	St Andrew's Choir: 7:15 pm Sanctuary		Bazaar! All Day : Kirk Hall
<i>Community Use: 2:00: Kirk Hall</i>						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP		10 to NOON Thrift Shop Open	<i>Pandora Chorus Re-hearsal: 6:30 pm: Sanctuary</i>	St Andrew's Choir: 7:15 pm Sanctuary		<i>Community Use (RCCO): 9:00 am: Sanctuary</i>
		Session 7:30 pm	<i>Out of the Rain Shelter: pm: Kirk Hall</i>			
26	27	28	29	30		
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP			<i>Out of the Rain Shelter: pm: Kirk Hall</i>			
Service at Oak Bay Lodge: 2:00 pm						

November 2017 Prayer Calendar

Our elders have been inviting us to pray together.

If you have items you would like included, please contact Whitney.

Email: office@standrewsvictoria.ca,
Phone: 250-384-5734

“I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer” –

(attributed to) Martin Luther



“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer.”

Romans 12:12

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Christian Education committee volunteers and all teachers	All those with Birthdays and anniversaries in November	People in hospital and those who visit them	All churches and ministries welcoming refugees	Peace for all suffering in the midst of conflict	Our neighbors in need and the St. A's team serving them breakfast on Saturday	Compassion and courage to welcome and care for strangers in need
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Those involved in music ministry who give of their time and talents.	Members of our armed forces and chaplains who serve them.	Restorative Justice Week For the Church Council on Justice and Corrections	All who support and reach out to women in need.	Int'l Day for Tolerance for peace An end to prejudice and conflict	The Listening Committee who will meet with LGBTQ Christians	May the bazaar be a time of fun and fellowship for all involved
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Our minister and church staff and many volunteers.	All who are grieving the loss of a loved one.	Wisdom for elders who guide and decide for St. Andrews	National Housing Day That all people in Canada would have access to safe housing	Those serving in leadership roles within this and all congregations	All those with health concerns (mental and physical)	Women and children who face violence in the home and outside of the home
26	27	28	29	30		
Youth, children and young families.	Worship committees, ministers and musicians preparing for Advent services	The words to invite people to know God in fellowship with believers	The Boards of Managers and Property/ Finance Committees in the Presbytery	The Canada Youth 2018 planning team		

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