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This week at St. Andrew's



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Parable from the Pastor



Communication is a timeless concept. Carrier pigeons and pony express have given way to texts and social media. Have you ever considered the communication strategies of Jesus? Jesus operated his life and ministry through direct, person-to-person communication. Face-to-face he asked questions, taught lessons and told stories. When we pay attention to Jesus' goals for his communication, it is obvious that he always told the truth and listened as effectively as he spoke. Jesus crafted each message to suit the greatest needs of the His audience.

St. Andrew's regularly communicates in a multitude of ways – some which are highly effective and others that need improving. Worship services, bulletins, our monthly newsletter as well as our Facebook page and our webpage that includes sermon texts, past Links and information. Do you regularly peruse the webpage or Facebook?

We are convinced that we MUST communicate with the congregation and community more effectively. We are considering a weekly newsletter that would be sent by email. We ask you to preview the first edition of This Week at St. Andrew's. Provide your email and let's get started in this new communication venture. As Jesus said, "Whoever has ears to hear, let that person hear."



Elders! Elders? Elders!



The Session is inviting members of the congregation to nominate members of the congregation to be considered for eldership. Nominations will be accepted until Sunday 8 February. Please submit to the church office in a sealed envelope addressed to the Clerk of Session or by email to session.clerk@standrewsvictoria.ca

Please remember to mark your calendars for our Valentines Party on Saturday, February 15th, hosted by the Friendship Club. Detailed information is in the February LINK. Please let Dorothy, Nancy or Bill know if you are planning to attend.



Family Day is Fun Day at St. Andrew's

Come one, come all for games and food!

Monday, Feb. 17 (Family Day)

9:30 am – 3:30 pm, Kirk Hall

Drop In – stay the day or just for a short time. Enjoy Pickleball, Milk Bottle Curling, Board Games and more.

Prizes and Trophies!



Coastal Scots History Event

Uvic history department will host a free symposium at St. Andrew's on February 29th. "Coastal Scots" is an exploration of the lives and experiences of Scottish peoples in the coastal regions of Britain and North America.

Contact cookp@uvic.ca for more information

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FEBRUARY IS PWS&D MONTH

Presbyterian World Service and Development is how the Presbyterian Church in Canada serves vulnerable communities around the world. This month we raise funds and reflect on those enduring poverty, hunger and injustice and inspire action here in Canada to make change happen around the world.

February 16 during the morning worship, our Minute for Mission, sponsored by the Mission and Outreach Committee will be given by our special guest, Aminul Islam, from the Bangladesh Community will speak on the devastating issues faced by the Rohingya refugees.



Did you KNOW?

In the Kirk Hall: On the second Tuesday of every month The Aboriginal Coalition to End Homelessness holds a meal and culturally relevant activities for local First Nations people who are experiencing housing insecurity.

Ash Wednesday Service

February 26 at noon

Lent helps us to prepare for Easter in the way that Advent helps us to prepare for Christmas. Check back for information on our upcoming Lenten bible study.

Come and begin the Lenten journey on Ash Wednesday



February 16th

Worship Information

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Matthew 5:21-31

Theme: Working through anger
Favourite Hymn: Open my eyes, that I may see

Reader: Colina T.

Coffee: Mission and Outreach

