

## **St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**

25 St. Andrew Street, Stratford, ON N5A 1A2

Minister: The Rev. Mark Wolfe

Music Director: Earl Clark

**Sunday, February 10, 2019 - 10:30 am**

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

God is a forgiving God, gracious and compassionate,  
long-suffering and ever constant, and he did not abandon us.  
Nehemiah 9:17

*Welcome, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the worship of God. May God give us a special blessing by being together to share the life-giving Word. Following worship, join in fellowship downstairs. The notices on this sheet will keep you informed of the life of the congregation from day to day, as well as offer prayers for your daily devotions. Thanks for being part of the church family!*

### **• Prayer and praise opportunities**

- For Marlene, Pat, Oliver and those known to us who are in need of prayer for any reason, that prayer lifted will be prayer heard, and that prayer heard is answered by almighty God
- For the Lord's light in dark places, and for humility to repent of anything which would impede the kingdom of Christ

### **Education opportunities**

A staffed **nursery** for children age 5 and under is located off the corridor beside our sanctuary.

Following the Children's Message, **children** are warmly invited to the Nursery (located just outside the Sanctuary) or to Sunday School (located upstairs in Hayter Hall).

### **Worship and pastoral care opportunities**

For **pastoral emergency**, please call, The Rev. Mark Wolfe, or Clerk of Session, Ruth Reath.

**Sermon Title:** Foolish Christians

**Scripture Readings:** Micah 6:6-8; Psalm 105:1-5; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

**Prayer or visit request cards** are available in the narthex.

**Want to Ride the Bus to Church!** Call the Church Office, 519-271-5668 by Thursday! Arrangements will then be made for you.

### ***Mission and stewardship opportunities***

**Mission Moment: Presbyterians Sharing** helps Stephanie Chunoo, a young adult intern working with dedicated staff and volunteers at Kalunba, a refugee ministry of the Reformed Church in Hungary. At Kalunba, refugees and asylum seekers from Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, Syria and Cameroon attend Hungarian language classes and receive assistance in finding employment and housing. The goal is to have these new members well integrated within one year of their arrival in Hungary.

**Stewardship Moment:** You're rich if you've had a meal today. - *Billy Graham, (1918-2018), evangelist*

**2019 Presbyterian Church in Canada Calendars:** Please find on the display case (under the photographs of past Ministers here at St. Andrew's) the new 2019 PCC calendars. They are a handy resource and this year highlight beautiful stained glass windows from churches around our denomination. A suggested donation of **\$8 per calendar** is appreciated. All proceeds to the Messy Church mission

The new schedule for **Greeters and Ushers** will be made up soon. If you would like to take part in this Ministry, please contact Scott Dunbar, 519-273-4260 or sdunbar@wightman.ca or Nancy MacKenzie, njmackenzie@wightman.ca or 519-273-6136. Greeters meet congregation members at the door and welcome them to church. Ushers take up collection and count the givings after the worship service. We would love to have you join us!

Notice is hereby given of the **Annual Congregational Meeting** of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stratford, to be held following worship, Sunday, February 24, 2019.

## **Community Opportunities**

**Innerchamber** presents its next concert entitled "Sonatas" on today, at Factory 163. Andrew Chung, (violin) and Emily Hamper (piano) will tell the story of Viennese. Tickets \$45 or \$10 for students can be purchased at [www.innerchamber.ca](http://www.innerchamber.ca) or Fanfare Books. For dinner at 6 pm, purchase ticket by February 8. Concert only doors open 6:45 pm with concert at 7 pm.

Our **Moderator**, The Rev. Daniel Cho will speak on "Encountering Henri" at Crieff Hills on Thursday, February 28, from 10:30 am to 3 pm. Rev. Daniel Cho knew Henri Nouwen as a personal mentor. He will share the impact of Nouwen's spirituality, authenticity and friendship on his life. Register by February 20: 1 800 884-1525 or email [info@crieffhills.com](mailto:info@crieffhills.com). Cost is \$25 and includes a hot lunch.

**Meals on Wheels** time again. Sheets will be available in McCullough Hall covering Tuesdays and Thursdays from March 5 to March 28. Thanks to the volunteers! - Lois Kipfer, Co-ordinator

## ***This Week at St. Andrew's***

Today	10 am	Choir warm up
(February 10)	10:20 am	Prelude
	10:25 am	Announcements
	10:30 am	Worship
		(Nursery & Sunday School)
		Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
		Fellowship: Welcoming Team
Monday	9:30 am	Flower Guild
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Board's sub-committees
	7 pm	Board of Managers
Wednesday	7 pm	Book Club
Thursday	7 pm	Choir
Friday	6 pm	3Fs,
		RSVP Steve Wray, 519-273-4067
Saturday	9 am	PCM Breakfast
	10 am	Meditation Classes (rental)
Next Sunday	10 am	Band warm up
(February 17)	10:20 am	Prelude
	10:25 am	Announcements
	10:30 am	Worship, Food Bank Ministry
		(Nursery & Sunday School)
		Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
		Fellowship: Welcoming Team

*St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stratford, Ontario is situated on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa Anishinabek and Odawa peoples who have longstanding relationships to the region of southwestern Ontario and the City of Stratford. St. Andrew's recognizes the significant historical and contemporary contributions of local and regional First Nations and all of the Original peoples to the development of Canada.*

### **Mission Statement**

With strong roots in the Christian story  
we answer God's call to serve the community  
sharing the new life which is ours in Jesus Christ.

### **Value Statements**

#### ***Worship and Prayer***

As a Christian congregation using varying styles of worship, we glorify God, exalt Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, and invite the people to be open to the guidance and leading of the Holy Spirit.

#### ***Nurturing Christian Community***

As a Christian congregation, we create community by actively seeking those presently beyond the church family and intentionally inviting them to be part of the family.

#### ***Teaching and Learning***

As a Christian congregation, we offer opportunities to engage in spiritual growth.

#### ***Outreach and Social Justice***

As a Christian congregation, we are mindful of Jesus' teaching to "love one another, as I have loved you".

#### ***Pastoral Care***

As a Christian congregation, we exhibit a "living faith" to all people, seeking new ways to serve those in need.

#### ***Speaking our faith***

As a Christian congregation, we are passionate about sharing our faith.

#### ***Stewardship of Resources***

As a Christian congregation, we are good stewards of God's gifts.

### **Office Hours**

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday - 8:30 am - noon

Tuesday and Friday - 8:30 am - 11 am

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