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It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
to declare Your steadfast love in the morning,
and Your faithfulness by night,

Psalm 92:1-2



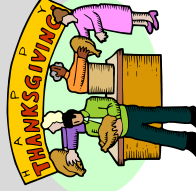
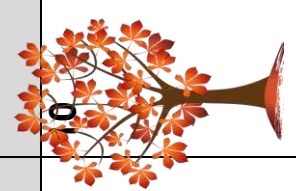
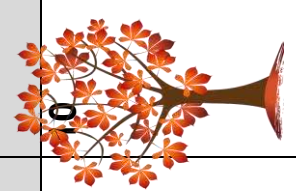



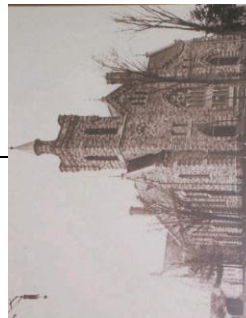

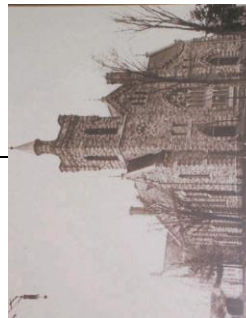

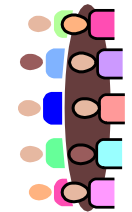
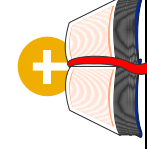



The Christian band, Rekoncyle, plays a concert at St. Andrew's on September 26



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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 4 World Communion 9:00 & 10:30 am Services of Worship 2:00 pm Urdu Service | 5 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  | 6  7:30 pm WMS |  12:30 pm Food Bank 7:00 pm Jr Music Makers | 1 8 7:00 pm Leap of Faith 8:00 pm Sr Choir | 2 9  | 3 10  |
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Rebekah's Writin'



Rev. Rebekah Mitchell

Waiting in Expectation

As I sit down to write this message, the Jays have just won their 90th game of the season. They have clinched a spot in the playoffs. The excitement is mounting. People are jumping on the bandwagon and fans who have stuck by the Jays in the tough times are patting themselves on the back for keeping the faith. It remains to be seen if they can go all the way. The possibility is being whispered about though.



Right now, the post-season is all possibility – it hasn't begun. Not a single game has been played. The match-ups aren't yet secured. It is a time of excited waiting, of anticipation. We watch expectantly, and we hope. And in that act of watching expectantly, of hoping – there is magic and wonder. All things are possible as we wait to see what will actually happen.

It's fun to have a team headed to the post-season (especially since it's the first time in the past twenty-two years!) and it makes me think of how we are meant to live in light of God's presence among us.

We find these words in the book of the prophet, Micah: *"But as for me, I will watch expectantly for the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me. (Micah 7:7)"*

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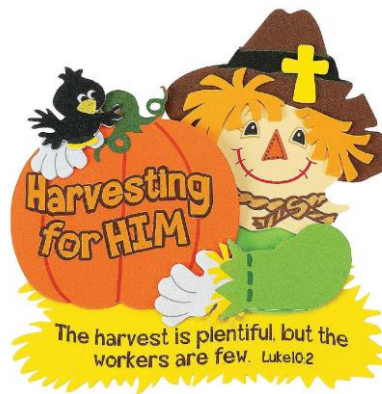
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Rebekah's Writin' continued

God is always at work around us. There is always a new thing God is doing in our midst. Sometimes we go through seasons where it is easy to get caught up on the wonder and joy of it – and sometimes we just seem to be slogging through the days, unaware. But the Bible tells us to have our eyes open, to wait in expectation, to trust that God will do something great in our midst.

So, as we wait to find out whether the Jays will go all the way in the post-season, let us also wait to see what God will do in our church, in our community and in our world. May we have our eyes opened to see the new thing He is doing among us. May we continually seek ways in which we can get involved and make a difference!



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebekah".

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PUBLISHED MONTHLY (except August) to inform our church community about activities within this congregation and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and to provide inspiration to our readers.

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**Deadline for submissions for the November issue is
Friday, October 23, 2015**

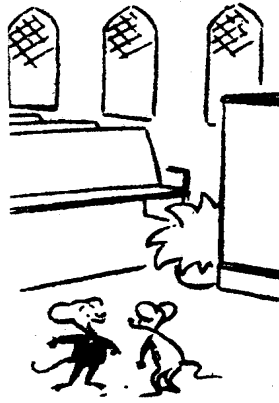


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News
from
the
Pews



Mary Louise Duncan and **James Stratton** celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary this summer. They travelled to Manitoba for a week where they visited friends in Clear Lake, Riding Mountain National Park, Carberry (where Mary Louise grew up) and Winnipeg. For their rental vehicle they decided on a Dodge Ram 1500 truck, which was pretty exciting as neither of them had driven one before!

For the second week, they travelled to Alberta to visit relatives. Both of James's brothers and their spouses live in Calgary. For the first couple of days, Mary Louise and James did a road trip to Golden, BC, and later visited Lake Moraine and Lake Louise in Banff National Park. The second half of the week they went with family to a Mumford & Sons concert, as well as to see *The Lion King*. They ended the trip a little early in order to attend Mary Louise's cousin Marjorie's wedding at Ontario Place, and they report that it was a lovely wedding!



On September 15, the Rev. **Rebekah Mitchell** celebrated a 'significant' birthday. Following the worship service on September 13, the congregation enjoyed a barbeque lunch provided by the Stewardship Committee and served in the Great Hall. For dessert, Rebekah cut and served birthday cake – both chocolate and vanilla.



Petra Woods returned home from Washington on August 23 after competing in the CanAm Tour, representing Canada. (*See report on page 3 of the September newsletter.*) Playing for Team Canada has always been a dream of hers, and she was able to do so with the help and support of her friends and family members. Petra was selected as a starting player for the first game against the USA, where she scored her first international try during her debut for the team.

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News from the Pews (continued from page 3)

Muriel Gemmill shared this information on the recent cruise which she and Wally enjoyed.

What a wonderful way to celebrate sixty-five years of marriage!! Apparently our family had access to our 'Bucket List' and chose the last item on it... a trip they arranged, in complete detail, from looking after our flights to and from Seattle, to numerous surprises arranged during the week.

We were allowed early boarding and quickly found our cabin with a balcony. We were surprised by balloons and a "congrats" sign on our stateroom door, a bouquet of flowers in our room from special friends in Ireland, and many other niceties left by our room steward. We had been assigned a special table in a 'formal' dining room, to be sure I would wear the fancy outfit I had packed, so we took the opportunity to have an anniversary portrait taken. Having cruised Princess Lines on other occasions, we found the Ruby very similar and knew what to expect in activities. I took a lesson in line dancing. We enjoyed magnificent shows in the Princess Theatre. Wally participated in karaoke, and sang a touching song to me, which brought down the house. The fact that we were the longest married couple on board brought many congratulations. However, we declined when asked to participate in an evening of "How well do you know your spouse?" Wisely, we sat back and laughed until we cried at the answers from the couples who did participate.

We were especially blessed by perfect weather the entire week – blue skies, no rain, and mist-free mountaintops. The itinerary for Alaska has so many options, we had difficulty choosing tours. We did a whale watching tour and were not disappointed. We saw many whales, a few eagles, and dolphins alongside our ship having their morning playtime. We did the shops in Ketchikan, walked across a suspension bridge – renewing memories of the Carrickarede Bridge in Ireland. In Skagway, we had breakfast at the Red Onion. We confirmed that Alaska is a great state with absolutely amazing scenery! In Victoria, we had another surprise! Long-time friends met us as we went for a little on-shore stroll. After our shock of seeing them, we had a few hours visit and dinner and back to the ship to pack for disembarking next morning in Seattle.

A perfect trip home in a first-class seat topped off our vacation. Oh – the family presented us with a new 'Bucket' with instructions to start a new 'List' for completion during our next sixty-five years together!

Herbert and Anna Eitner also recently enjoyed a cruise to Alaska and a five-day land tour to Denali State and National Parks. They reported that the scenery was breathtaking.

On Tuesday, September 1, **Andy Bunkis and Nathan Woods** embarked on their whirlwind tour of Europe – with a day in Iceland and the rest of the week near Frankfurt, which should have culminated in a rousing performance of many German polkas in a concert scheduled for Sunday, September 6.

Iceland was described as damp and grey, perhaps not as attractive as one would've thought. The guys did a five-hour tour, taking in many of Iceland's top tourist attractions – most of which Karen Dunlop had photographed in her tour last year.

Upon arrival in Frankfurt, Andreas Moeschl, former flautist for Leap of Faith and director of the Tourchester Band – met them at the airport. Andreas was a fabulous host and tour operator – taking the gentlemen to churches, a huge slide built into the side of the Wetzlar mountain and eventually the hostel which was to host the concert. Unfortunately, the concert was cancelled due to lack of participants, but Nathan spent about twelve hours learning drums for German polka music! Both Andy and Nathan enjoyed the hospitality of their German friends and band counterparts – and much dancing and drinking ensued! The tour ended with a night in the castle at Buedingen – hosted by the actual Prince and Princess of the castle, and then they had a final day in Frankfurt, shopping for souvenirs.

While Andy and Nathan went to Germany, **Bonnie Bunkis** travelled for two weeks to Calgary to visit daughter Stephanie and her family. A new experience for her was being very close to major forest fires. There was smoke enveloping the whole of southern Alberta. When walking outside, which was not recommended, it felt like you were at a constant camp fire and the sun peaked through a smoky haze. Clothes smelt smoky, eyes teared and throats stung. The Calgary area was getting smoke from Montana and Washington, while Banff and Jasper felt the effects of the BC. fires. However, this did not prevent excursions for boarding on Sylvan Lake and hiking near Banff at Johnstone Canyon on the better days. This experience made her appreciate what clean, clear air feels like and understand why people in places like India and Egypt are so envious of what we have in Canada!

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The SALSA Group
(St. Andrew's Ladies Social & Action)

The SALSA Group will be selling KD Cloths this fall, after worship services and at the High Tea in November.



What is a KD Cloth?

It's a way to 'clean green'. Using only water, it removes bugs, tar, grease, fingerprints, brake dust, soap scum, general dirt and dust from glass surfaces. Wet it, wring it, wipe any surface streak-free, spot-free, lint-free. You'll never use window cleaner again. The secret is the tiny fibres, up to 200 times thinner than human hair. They trap and absorb the dirt and oil. Use slightly damp... won't scratch any surface. Wipe and watch the streaks disappear.

Price: \$6.00 each or four for \$20.

For more information contact Joyce Wagg.



On Anniversary Sunday, October 18, new honourees will be presented with a certificate and received into the Century Club, a celebration of St. Andrew's members and adherents whose age plus the number of years of attendance at St. Andrew's are equal to, or greater than, 100 years.

If you are eligible for the Century Club, and have not previously registered or received a certificate, please contact the office at 905-451-1723 ext. 0. If you do not know the date you started to attend St. Andrew's, please call and we will check to see if you are eligible.

**All ages will be kept confidential.



St. Andrew's
168th Anniversary
Anniversary Dinner
Saturday, October 17 at 6:00 pm

Morning Adult Study

Tuesdays, from 10:30 am – noon
October 13 – December 8



Old Testament Biggies

Facilitators:

The Rev. Rebekah Mitchell
The Rev. Rosemary Doran

We'll be focussing on some key figures in the story of God's people, such as Moses, David, Deborah and Ruth... and others. We'll learn about how they encountered God and how they responded to what God asked them to do. A surprising number of them didn't want to do it!

We'll also talk about our own encounters with, and response to, God. Like Moses, do we say, "Thanks, but no thanks"? Like Elijah, do we sometimes run away and hide? Like Ruth, do we aim for a 'happily ever after' ending? Or like Abraham, do we simply go in faith? The aim of the study is to learn from the Bible and from each other. We'll do this through asking questions and sharing our stories. Or sometimes, we may just want to sit and listen. We also laugh a lot! The course will end on December 8 with our usual Advent Lunch.

Everyone is welcome. Please register with the office, 905-451-1723 ext. 0, so that we have some idea of numbers.

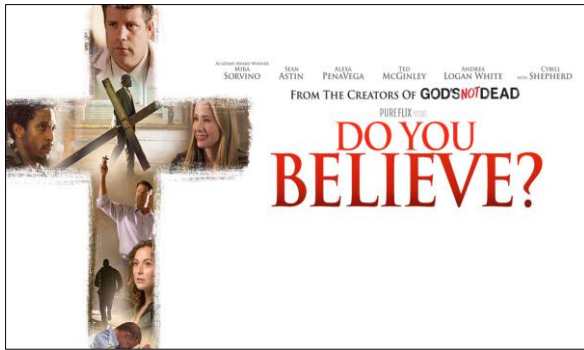
Santa is Coming to Town

A major missions project coming up will be the annual Santa Claus Parade and it is not too soon to start thinking about participating in one of three ways:

1. assisting with the construction of the St. Andrew's Church float
2. serving at the Hot Chocolate Stand
3. supervision of the children on the float or being in the float itself

To get involved simply speak to any member of the Mission Committee or the Sunday School Superintendent.

GRACE Notes



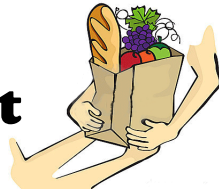
On Wednesday, September 23, approximately thirty-five people from a number of different GRACE Groups gathered at the church for a movie night. The film *Do You Believe?* was shown, and was well received by the audience. Those who gathered partook in coffee, tea, bottled water and popcorn. The movie was complex and deeply moving. The discussion afterward was animated with many different voices participating. Some said that they were so moved by the movie they couldn't speak during the discussion. They were, however, glad to be there and to hear what others thought. It was a great All-GRACE-Groups Event, and we do hope to do more events like this in the future.

If you are interested in taking part in your local GRACE Group, please contact the leaders in your area as listed below. If your local GRACE Group doesn't meet at a time that is convenient to you, please speak to the Rev. Rebekah Mitchell about being involved with a group which meets at a more agreeable time.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRACE GROUPS

| Postal Code | Coordinators |
|----------------|--------------------|
| L6S | Eunice Boyd |
| | May Maltby |
| L6T & L6P | Felicity Alexander |
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| L6X | Geoff Ross |
| | Regan Ross |
| L6Y | Sue Haw |
| | Ray Scanlan |
| | Doreen Scott-Dunne |
| L6Z, L7A & L7G | Susan Jess |

Food... for Thought



Thanksgiving is a time of bounty,
But it's also a time when many go without.

Demand at food banks is up.
Resources are stretched. Shelves are bare.
People are being given less.
Children are going hungry.

All within a few blocks of our Church.

This is our community – the community God placed us in – so that we can witness to His grace, love and compassion.

“Then Jesus called His disciples to Him and said, “I have compassion for the crowd, because they have nothing to eat...” The disciples said to Him, “Where are we to get enough bread in the desert to feed so great a crowd?” Jesus asked them, “How many loaves have you?” They said, “Seven, and a few small fish.” Then ordering the crowd to sit down on the ground, He took the seven loaves and the fish; and after giving thanks He broke them and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all of them ate and were filled; and they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. Those who had eaten were four thousand men, besides the women and children.” (Matthew 15:32-39)

We are called by Christ to put our faith into action,
to love God by loving our neighbours.
One way to do this is to meet their needs.

**This Thanksgiving let us give thanks
by giving back.**



Discover the joy of giving
– fill a bag.
Make a difference!
Help a neighbour.

Bring your bags to church on
Sunday, October 13.

Helping Our Neighbours

Fall is the busiest time of year at our Food Bank – and our cupboard is low. Please help us to show our love for God by helping our neighbours through St. Andrew's Food Bank. Please help out by buying the items below:

Important: please try to buy the items as requested.

| | | |
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| 2 | KD Macaroni & Cheese | 225 g |
| 1 | dry pasta – elbow noodles or spaghetti | 650 g |
| 1 | pasta sauce | 680 ml |
| 1 | Puritan Beef Stew | 124 g |
| 1 | canned tuna or ham | 170 g |
| 1 each | cream of mushroom, vegetable, and chicken noodle soup | 284 ml |
| 1 each | canned mixed vegetables, peas, and corn | 398 ml |
| 1 | canned tomatoes | 398 ml |
| 1 | peanut butter | 500 g |
| 1 | jam – strawberry or raspberry | 500 g |
| 1 each | baby food – formula or jars for beginners, 6 months or 1 year olds | 128 ml |



“I am the Church! You are the Church! We are the Church together!” During this Anniversary month we are reminded of the generosity and hard work our forefathers put forward as they hand crafted this amazing Church. These Christian visionaries built this congregation by putting their faith into action and today St. Andrew's stands as a keystone for the Brampton community. With so many talented people at St. Andrew's, it's our turn to maintain this beautiful place of worship, so we can bring Christian love, hope and support to a hurting world. Come, be a part of St. Andrew's legacy by using your time/talent/treasures for God's eternal work.

Blessings to all of you from your Stewardship Committee.



**St. Andrew's-Pringle
Women's
Missionary
Society**

September 2015

President Kim Shepherd welcomed everyone and opened with prayer. The roll call for the evening was "Did you read any of the books or see any of the movies recommended at our June meeting?" Some members replied that they had and others added some new books or movies.

Kim introduced the speaker, Lynda Arthey, from Redemption. Redemption is a faith-based, non-profit organization which works out of First Baptist church in Brampton. They strive to attend to the needs of the community, helping those who need help with various issues, e.g. alcohol/drug addictions, mental health, finances, self-awareness and personal values, etc. Lynda was thanked for her very informative presentation and given a gift from the group.

The Bible reading was taken from Psalm 130 and we sang "Jesus Bids us Shine" and "Tell Me the Old, Old Story".

The offering was received and the Rev. Rosemary Doran said an offering prayer.

Plans are under way for the annual Christmas High Tea & Bake Sale to be held on **Saturday, November 14**. Watch the November newsletter and the Sunday bulletins for further details.

The evening closed with the Mizpah benediction and refreshments.



*Come and stock-up on some
Christmas Goodies*

St. Andrew's WMS

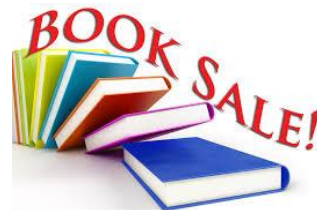
Bake, Knitting and Book Tables

at the **Christmas High Tea & Bake Sale** on
Saturday, November 14
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

**All donations of baked goods,
knitting and books (fiction only) are welcome.**

We ask that all contributions be delivered to the church between 4:00 and 7:00 pm on Friday, November 13.

Help support the WMS in its local mission work.



The members of the St. Andrew's-Pringle WMS were delighted to see that a Thanksgiving Worship Service written by the Rev. Rebekah Mitchell was featured in the September/October issue of the WMS magazine *Glad Tidings*.





St. Andrew's Prayer Circle

Our constant God, in this month of thanksgiving we come to You with gratitude. We thank You for our faith that gives us joy. We thank You for those who love us, who enrich our lives. We appreciate that we live safely in a country at peace and as we think of the harvest, we thank You that Your creation provides for us year after year.

For places around the world and amongst us where there is strife and pain, we pray that You will send Your spirit of peace and support. Help us so to act as a people that we are not part of troubles in the world but part of their solution.

We are grateful, our loving God, that You are with us every day to bring us calm, renewal and strength.

All these things we pray in the name of our leader for always – Jesus Christ. Amen.



St. Andrew's Prayer Circle members offer prayers for those who are experiencing an illness or loss, or going through difficult times.

**To submit a prayer request call:
the church office, 905-451-1723 ext. 0**

**or email
prayer@standrewsbrampton.ca**



**Have you visited our website lately?
www.standrewsbrampton.ca**

PASSAGES

Baptism



Myles Dominik Lachhman, son of
Melissa (Ragnauth) & Sean Lachhman



Congratulations

*to those celebrating
special anniversaries*

- 56 years** Eda & Jake Steringa
- 56 years** Marilyn & Jim Hunt
- 52 years** Gerry & Frank Holmes
- 45 years** Brigita & Frank Kar
- 40 years** Kaye & Murray Meadows
- 35 years** Karen & Barry Hutchinson
- 35 years** Susan & Ian Jess
- 30 years** Leigh & Brian Tomlinson
- 20 years** Nasreen Abid & Abid Chand

Called to be with the Lord



Hunter McCracken



*Condolences and prayers are offered
to his family and friends*

In Sympathy



Condolences are extended to

Shelagh Tyreman & Rob Hennig and family
on the death of Rob's father, Daniel Hennig



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

May God Bless You on Your Birthday

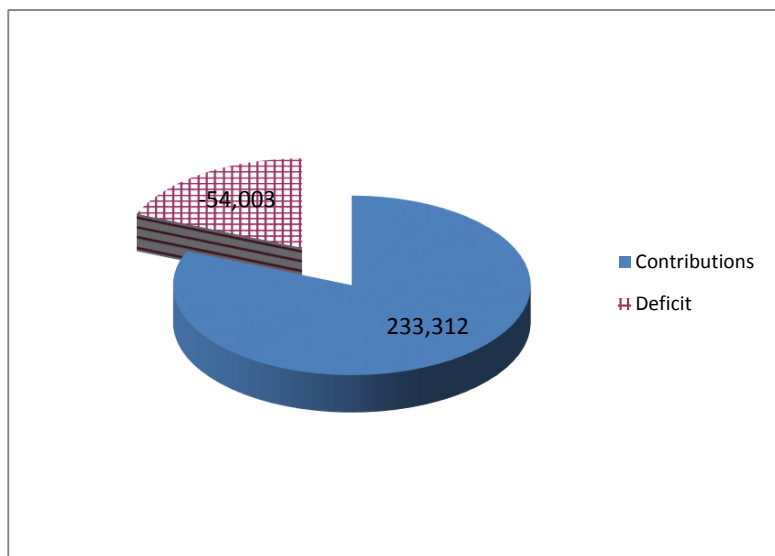
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| 1 Celine Batasar Uzbek John | 2 Jason Portuondo  | 3 Kathryn Linton Carlene Rollocks | 4 Angeline Al Hakim Lyn Malek Jessica Rhind | 5  | 6 Margaret Bakkeren Ian Kosher | 7 <i>Happy Birthday</i>  |
| 8 Margaret Hardat Shirley Nash | 9 Kaala O'Gilvie Cataleya Portuondo | 10 Catherine Nicholson <i>Celebrate!</i> | 11 Margaret Hollywell Ariel Johhoo Phil Leow | 12 Jennifer Aleong Penny Owens Maud Rowntree | 13 Greyson Artymko Matthew Dey | 14 |
| 15 Emanuel Emanuel  | 16 | 17 Joseph Amoah Karen Dunlop Diane White | 18 Patricia Dobson Barbara Osborne | 19 Pierre-Paul Massy Joyce Wagg  | 20 Krista Collins Parker Wilson | 21 Andrew Al Hakim Sarah Jess Elizabeth Kreitner Jonathan McKittrick Chandos Ross |
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| 29 Rhena Hyma Deric Karkada Cayden Massy Winston Polack | 30 Zachary Jules Jelani Koloko | 31  |  | | | |

If you know of someone whose name should be on this list, please call Debbie Peacock in the church office at 905-451-1723, ext. 0 or any member of the newsletter committee.

Church Finances

Shortfall Pie Chart

Purpose of this chart is to show in a graphic form the shortfall of contributions to expenses as of September 21, 2015



As of September 21, we have a deficit in general funds of \$54,003.21

Your contributions to Weekly Offering funds ministries such as the monthly newsletter, coffee after church every Sunday, salaries, heating the building to name a few items.

Thank you for your consideration and all that you contribute with your time, talents and treasures.

When we think of stewardship we start with the point that everything - even the air that we breathe - is not ours, it's given to us

Contributions & Expenses Comparative

September 21, 2015

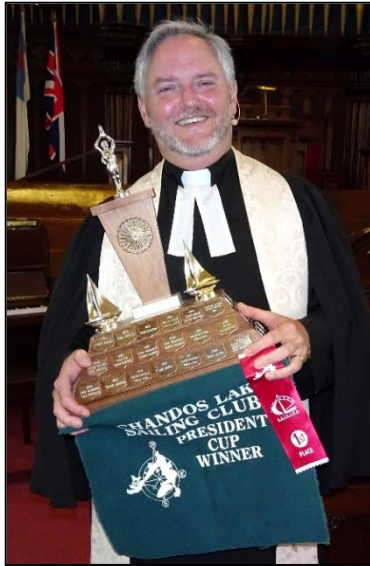
| | Jan 1-Sep 21, 2015 | Jan 1-Sep 21, 2014 |
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| Contributions | | |
| Offerings | 211,888.02 | 198,089.03 |
| Other Revenue | 21,423.90 | 53,746.41 |
| Total Contributions | 233,311.92 | 251,835.44 |
| Expense | | |
| Communications | 7,834.97 | 9,655.33 |
| Education | 2,589.54 | 3,824.58 |
| Fellowship | 244.54 | 2,483.50 |
| Mission | 530.96 | 857.03 |
| Personnel | 207,523.39 | 207,485.32 |
| Property | 44,236.53 | 79,781.29 |
| Stewardship | 18,305.95 | 18,991.59 |
| Worship | 6,049.25 | 6,910.50 |
| Total Expense | 287,315.13 | 329,989.14 |
| Net General Surplus (Deficit) | (54,003.21) | (78,153.70) |
| Presbyterian Sharing donations* | 23,575.44 | 25,823.46 |
| PWS&D donations* | 4,614.28 | 3,566.30 |
| Food Bank donations* | 37,758.44 | 45,401.96 |

* NOTE: Presbyterian Sharing, PWS&D and Food Bank are not included in the comparative statement.

News from the Pews *(continued from page 4)*

This summer the Rev. **Geoff Ross** had great luck sailing at his cottage. He won two races and placed second in three races. He won the Chandos Lake Regatta banner in an exciting and windy race against some stiff competition.

On August 29, on a cloudy and windless day, he won the President's Cup race, winning both a banner and the trophy *(all pictured above)*. This was his best summer of sailing – which he did every day of his vacation – in a number of years. He was particularly pleased with winning the President's Cup race because he hadn't won the cup since 1994 when his crew was **Regan** who was pregnant with **Harrison** at the time! Geoff says that if he can win for the first time in twenty-one years, who knows... maybe the Jays can go all the way!



Olivia Matheson married Eric Brown on September 4, at Caledon Golf and Country Club. It was a beautiful sunny day with a light breeze and fortunately the humidity of the week had ended. They were married by the pastor for the Caledon Firefighters and he did a great job meeting the happy couple multiple times prior to the wedding to get to know them. He mentioned that Eric had to go on a 'call' at 5:00 am the day of the wedding and talked about his dedication to the job. **Sarah Matheson** was the maid of honour and was beautiful in purple, as was Courtney Matheson (bridesmaid), Laura Brown (Eric's sister) and two of Olivia's close friends, Megan and Heather. A great time was had by all the Olivia and Eric are going on an Eastern Mediterranean cruise in a couple of weeks' time starting out in Venice for two days prior to the cruise. Following the wedding, Eric surprised Olivia with a weekend cottage trip up to Parry Sound; they, along with their dog Chase (who was the ring bearer), left right after the wedding, driving through the early morning to arrive. The couple have purchased a house in Valleywood, Caledon.

Grandpa and Grandy (aka **Robert and Ivie Wightman**) are pleased to announce the birth of their first grandchild. Logan Lucyna, 8 lb 2 oz, who arrived August 30, is a beautiful little girl for Ashleigh and Greg.

Below is a contribution from Mae MacDonald-Kerr. My daughter Elaine and I travelled to Revelstoke, BC, in July, to the home of my granddaughter, Serenity. Serenity took us to view Mt. Revelstoke's beautiful meadows of summer flowers. While there we climbed a few hundred feet to the peak of Mt. Revelstoke – 6360 feet high. I awoke each morning and sat on the deck watching the morning sun gild Mt. Begbie's glaciers. We also hiked to some geothermal springs and bathed in the warm waters of the pools. Another hike took us to Mt. Begbie Falls. Revelstoke is surrounded by mountains, and I surprised Serenity by naming all of the mountains by the third day there.

In August, I was invited to stay for a week at a cottage on Lake Mercer, near Sturgeon Falls. The 'deer trail' back to the cottage was taken at a very slow speed. Powered by solar for lights, our running water was pumped up from the lake into a big tank on windmill-like supports, and then into the cottage. No internet, no phone, except for intermittent service on my mobile phone. The cottage was modern and beautiful inside, even though it was so far out in the wilds. I managed, by the end of the week, to climb up the stairs down the cliff without stopping and not panting too badly when I got to the top.

Both in BC and Northern Ontario, I found very little fruit on the blueberry, raspberry and other berry bushes which the bears feed on in summer and fall. I am afraid by winter there are going to be hungry bears.

From Ray Scanlan:

Doreen was released from convalescent care on September 25 and is now completing her recovery at home. After 77 days from falling down the stairs, we are reminded to move a little slower and exercise more care as the recovery time is only one day less than a federal election campaign and it's not over yet. We are very thankful for the prayers, cards and emails etc. from our St. Andrew's family.

Please share your news with our church family. You can e-mail your information to newsfromthepews@standrewsbrampton.ca or contact any member of the newsletter team whose names are listed on page 2.

Bruce Carruthers Memorial Golf Tournament

by Barb McMechan-Woods

Twenty-eight golfers braved the elements on Saturday, September 12 at Mayfield Golf Course to compete in the Bruce Carruthers Memorial Golf Tournament. The weather co-operated so that we weren't completely soaked, and I think the sun peeked out just as we finished the 18th hole!

For the third year in a row, the best score was submitted by "Cornish Friends" – the team made up of Bruce Cornish, Adam Cornish, Gord Warren and Glen Clifford. The cherished St. Andrew's Cross trophy will remain at the Cornish household for another year.



Women's Longest Drive – Pam Loree
Women's Closest to Hole – Barb McMechan-Woods
Men's Longest Drive – Adam Cornish
Men's Closest to Hole – Alex Loree

Special mention to imports Brian and Lee Gosse who came out of retirement in Wasaga Beach to join us for the day. As well, Geoff and Regan Ross joined us for a hearty dinner and a great time was had by all! Thanks to all who contributed time and effort and prizes!



See you next year. Save the date – **Saturday, September 10, 2016** – Geoff has already signed up!

Jam Session a Sweet Success!



Thanks to all who contributed and participated in the jam (making) session at the church on September 14. Together the SALSA Group made seventy-three jars of jam, (strawberry, raspberry, blueberry, bumbleberry, and rhubarb) and had a great time while they were at it.

Make sure to come to the St. Andrew's High Tea on November 14 to get your jar of SALSA Group jam! Just \$4 each.





St. Andrew's Christmas High Tea & Bake Sale

Saturday, November 14, 2015
10:00 am to 1:00 pm

44 Church Street East, Brampton



Join us for a "Hat & Chat" High Tea

Wear your own hat or
buy one of our beautiful fascinators for \$7

Proceeds from the sale of fascinators will help support our Food Bank

High Tea Ticket Prices:

\$8 in advance – \$10 at the door



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