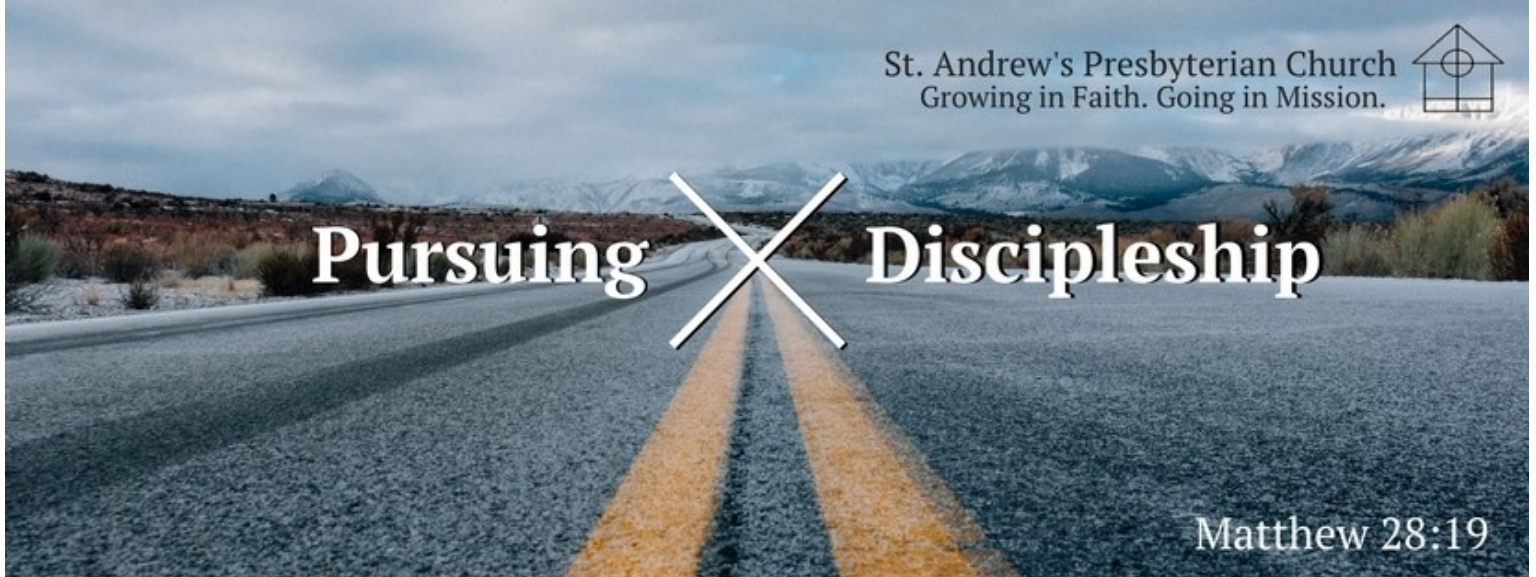


# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

MAY, 2017



## WHAT BUSINESS ARE WE IN?

The year is 1910. It is the age of the transatlantic steamer --- big, fast, powerful ships carrying the rock-stars of their day --- the Astors and Morgans --- from North America to Europe and back again. The dominant companies of this day are Cunard and Whitestar. If you had asked their leaders what business they were in, they would likely have responded, "Why, we're in the transatlantic shipping business." As logical as that sounds, however, it was that definition that sealed their fate. Locked into a world view that said the future was about bigger and faster ships, these companies were furiously innovating --- trying to create the biggest engine, more funnels, iceberg-proof hulls. Yet only a few years later a disruptive technology came along, sinking the transatlantic shipping business: the airplane. And with it, the Whitestars and Cunards of the early 20th century disappeared without a ripple.

But what if they had defined their business just a little bit differently? What if they hadn't decided to make up their minds that they were in the transatlantic shipping business, but determined instead that they were in the transatlantic *people moving* business? Things might look very different today.

The transatlantic people moving business has grown every year since 1600, and every indication is that it will continue to grow for the foreseeable future. Had Cunard and Whitestar defined themselves this way, they wouldn't have seen the airplane as competition, but would have seen it for what it was: a massive business transformation opportunity. In fact, they could have invested in research and development of airplanes from the

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beginning. The first powered flight could have happened at Whitestar labs in Dorsett, England, and Chuck Yeager could have broken the sound barrier in his slick new Cunard X15. Instead, these once great companies faded into the obscurity of history.

Nike isn't in the shoe business; they're in the business of inspiring the athlete inside all of us. They make shoes, but also make the number one health app for mobile devices. Tesla isn't in the car business but the business of electric mobility. They makes cars, but then build the infrastructure that supports electric mobility of all kinds, into the future. Volvo is in the family safety business, Kellogg's is in the health and wellness business, and Apple dropped the word "computer" from their company nearly a decade ago --- the telltale sign of a company waking up to the business it was really in.

But if you ask that question of the church, what answer will you get? Are we in the religion business? The justice, evangelism, denomination, or worship? What about the community business, or the world-changing business? Jesus' answer for the church is, resoundingly, none of the above. The church, he says, is in the disciple-making business. The last thing he told the church before he left, was a challenge to go make disciples who make disciples.

So, as we move into the second half of 2017, Jan and I wanted to take a moment to introduce this year's theme: the pursuit of discipleship. Over the weeks and months to come, we're going to be exploring this idea in all of its dimensions, and we'll discover together that the path of discipleship winds through the justice, evangelism, worship, community, world-changing, and even religion businesses.

But, in the end, it always comes back to discipleship: making disciples who make disciples.

That's our business.

We'll see you on the road. Rev. Jared and Rev. Jan

## **SPECIAL SERVICES IN MAY**

May 7: Katharine Masterton, Justice Ministries program coordinator, The Presbyterian Church in Canada, will be our guest in the pulpit. The Justice Ministries mandate is to work with the courts of the church to fulfill the justice imperatives of the gospel.

May 14: Christian Family Sunday, THE TALE OF THREE TREES, an intergenerational musical service will be presented and the CE Team will be recognizing graduating students from Grade 6 and Grade 12. Also, some of our youth will be joining the church by affirmation of Faith.

May 21: As part of our regular service, we will be practicing the FIRE DRILL.

May 28: Ascension Sunday, we will be hosting the Rev. Dr. Charles Fensham, Professor, Knox College. He is interested in the study of the church (ecclesiology) and its intersection with mission studies and ecology, with a focus on Public Missiology. Having published numerous books and papers, and working with advanced degree students, his message should be of special interest to our congregation. (**Missiology** is the area of practical theology that investigates the mandate, message, and mission of the Christian church, especially the nature of missionary work.)

# AN UPDATE FROM OUR PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVES

THE REV. DR. JEAN MORRIS AND THE REV. DIANNE OLLERENSHAW

It has been a year since the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod appointed us to work with the Session of St. Andrew's in order to call a Minister, Vision and Direction, following the resignation of The Rev. Kevin Lee. While we are still in the process of seeking to call someone to be your minister in this role, much has happened over the past year.

We have met regularly with the Search Team as they have worked diligently to prioritize applications from ministers. They wrote a congregational profile, outlining the key gifts and attributes that St. Andrew's needs in the Minister, Vision and Direction. They have interviewed a number of candidates, and they are still seeking applications. It can seem discouraging to not be able to present a candidate to you for consideration, but the Team is committed to finding the right person to lead St. Andrew's into the future God has for the congregation.

As Presbytery representatives, we had an exit interview with Kevin Lee, and we meet regularly with Jan Hazlett and Jared Miller. These meetings are opportunities to talk about work load, pastoral needs of your ministers, and any concerns they would like to discuss.

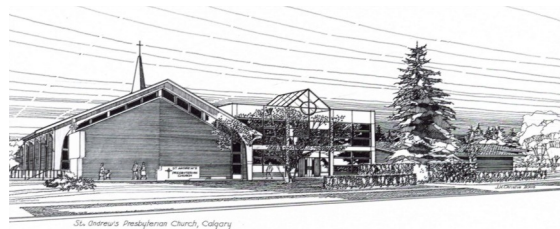
The other area of our work has been with the Session. Last June, before the Search Team began its work, the Session struck a Commission of three elders and both of us to clarify the model of ministry. The "flat model" of the three ministers working in different areas as peers is a unique approach to ministry and needed some clarification. The roles of all three ministers were clarified. The Session was charged with a number of responsibilities in order to support the model, including (1) the establishment of a Ministry Accountability Team, (2) the development of a ministry plan to set priorities for the work and witness of St. Andrew's, and (3) the development of a communication plan so that all members and adherents will understand the roles and responsibilities of ministers.

The Session has begun some of this work and recognizes the need to continue fulfilling the recommendations. After a year, it is also time for the Session to review the workloads of Jan and Jared to ensure that ministry areas are prioritized, and that they are providing leadership in the most appropriate ways. The Presbytery has not directed the assignment of roles to Jan and Jared. This is a Session responsibility, and Jan and Jared are part of the Session. The review of work assignments is important at this time, as the search for the third minister is likely to continue for some months. The reality is that there are many vacancies in Presbyterian churches across Canada. In the Presbytery of Calgary-Macleod there are seven vacant ministry positions!

We will continue to provide whatever support we can to the Search Team and to the Session of St. Andrew's.

Sincerely,

Rev. Jean Morris and Rev. Dianne Ollerenshaw



# AROUND AND ABOUT US

By Terry Zimmer

## CAROLYN JERRARD

In the church school room after the 11:15 service on a recent Sunday morning a group of four- to six-year-old children are happily eating their end-of-class treats. Their teacher is tall, dark-haired Carolyn Jerrard. (Alternating in this role with her are Desiree Henrichsen, Usha Mohan and Lorna Kearnes.) Flashing an infectious smile, Carolyn explains that the children will be ready to leave soon. One of the group is her five-year-old son, Malcolm.

Carolyn Jerrard grew up in Saskatchewan, the first of her family to graduate from university. She and her husband, James met in Edmonton. Two days after they were married they moved to London, ON where James attended law school for three years. He now works as an attorney on the staff of the University of Calgary. Carolyn works from home, where she successfully creates and sells abstract paintings under the business name, "C.J. Custom Art". She is also head gardener at Mayfair Care Centre during the summer.

Carolyn and James, who grew up in the evangelical tradition, have been committed members of St. Andrew's since 2010. In addition to teaching the very young, Carolyn is a member of the Family Ministry Team, and she and James are leaders in the Youth Alpha course, sponsoring regular youth nights.

While she sees church youth groups as very important for high school young people, Carolyn speaks of a need for more avenues other than "fun events" for them to connect to each other and the church, including regular Bible study. Further, she notes that the Family Ministry Team sees the 6 - to - 11 age group as being a part of families who could use help with the stress and busyness of everyday life, especially given how expensive activities and child care are nowadays --- thus the introduction of the upcoming "Take 150" program. Carolyn and James Jerrard will undoubtedly be front and centre in developing ways to support our youth at St. Andrew's!



Carolyn, James and young Malcolm

### David Worthen

March 22, 1925, Halifax, NS - April 4, 2017, Calgary, AB

Our thoughts and prayers are with Inger Worthen and family on David Worthen's passing April 4, 2017. "David was raised in Fredericton, NB. His varied and rewarding career with the YMCA spanned 28 years and included positions at Y's in Toronto, Brantford, Sudbury, Winnipeg, and Calgary. He spent another 13 exciting years with Dome Petroleum. After retirement he continued to volunteer for the Y. Always active and an avid skier and golfer, he began running marathons in his 50's. He sang in a church choir wherever he lived and attended St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church [in Calgary]. Predeceased by his first wife, Diane, and son Doug, he will be greatly missed by his wife Inger and his blended family of five children."\* Funeral Services were held at McInnis & Holloway Park Memorial Chapel on Friday, April 28, 2017.

\*McInnis & Holloway website

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# REPORTING FROM OUR TEAMS

## From the Mission Team:

On March 15, 2017, we held a very successful "Aboriginal Awareness" evening. We viewed the film "Reserve 107" about reconciliation between the town of Laird and Treaty 107 Ojibwa First Nation. We then heard a stirring talk from Shirly Dufour, who spent 10 years in a residential school run by the Presbyterian Church.

Shirley talked about her experience, strength and hope. She then answered questions ranging from her time in the residential school to the need for reconciliation and building of trust between our Church and First Nations people.

We will be holding another event on September 20, 2017. This will be part of a planned series of four events.

While reconciliation has begun at a national level, it is at the local level where the most important work needs to be done.

Brian Hawco, Mission Team

## From the Facilities Team:

We would like to recognize and express our thanks to Errol Bosman, Bill Judd, Alfred MacRae, Tom McIntyre, Sylvia Shaw and Herb Spencer, who gave generously of their time over the past several months to assist in the installation of the new fire doors between Trinity Hall and the Inner Hall, the new doors in the northwest corner of the building, just before you reach the nursery, and new floor tiles and ceiling panels on the lower floor. Your help was greatly appreciated!

## From Welcome and Fellowship Team:

A special thank you to Alfred MacRae, Jacob MacRae and Ida du Toit for setting up the crosses in celebration of Easter. This also included re-treating the crosses to protect them from the elements. Your help was greatly appreciated! And, thank you to Ida du Toit, Marlyn Townsend, Brenda Pudwell (aka Easter Bunny) and Val Hall for all your help with the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 16. 35 children participated.

A very heartfelt thank you goes out to all of you in the congregation who helped us out on Sunday, April 2. It was greatly appreciated, and Eric is now doing very well.

Thanks again! Eric & Shirley Koprek

## Families of Grade 6 and Grade 12 Youth

The CE Team will be arranging the annual recognition of graduating Grade 6 and Grade 12 youth to take place on Christian Family Sunday, May 14, 2017. If you have a youth in your home who is not a regular attendee of the Church School, please let the office know so your child can be included in this recognition. Scholarship application forms for the \$1000 St. Andrew's Youth Scholarship are available in the office for those students planning on attending postsecondary education in the fall of 2017. Application forms must be completed and given to Rhonda Wishart, Convenor of CE or left for her in the church office by May 30, 2017. A decision on the successful candidate will be made by mid-June, 2017.

# **PASTORAL CARE AT ST. ANDREW'S**

## **THE BEREAVEMENT TEAM**

Working very quietly in the background, under the leadership of Alice Williams, The Bereavement Team Ministry contacts the people of St. Andrew's known to have been recently bereaved and gives support through telephone calls, visits and cards. The team hosts our Celebration of Life service at the end of November for anyone who has experienced a loss of any kind and finds the Christmas season difficult.

The Team conducted a short survey, available to adult members of the congregation, from February 12 to March 12, 2017. Here are some of the results from the 46 questionnaires returned:

- The Celebration of Life service on the last Monday in November, to be held in the sanctuary, was the preferred choice. A variety of suggestions were made that will be explored in the development of the service.
- An informal evening with a guest speaker related to grieving and loss, to held on a Tuesday evening twice a year in the spring and fall, was also a preferred choice.
- An opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one, during or after a regular service, received 21 affirmatives as opposed to 16 negatives.

Thanks to those who took the time to complete the questionnaire.

## **LOSS, GRIEF & RECOVERY**

**With Micheline Pare**

**Tuesday, May 30, 2017 – 7:30 pm, Karl English Lounge**

As we travel through life, we all experience losses which disrupt our paths, either temporarily or permanently. These can be losses of loved ones, of health, of youth, of a job and so on. The Bereavement Team invites you to this special evening with Micheline Pare, an exceptional woman who has walked among many, with whom she has shared her love and care.

Micheline holds a master's degree in pastoral counselling. She is the author of the book "The Passion of Loving", developed as a result of the loss of her father, to dementia. She has been instrumental in the opening of the Pare Labrecque centre in Calgary, to provide training in geriatric care. Micheline currently works as a compassionate Care Consultant and as the R.C. Pastoral Care Coordinator at Rockyview Hospital. Her message of love and hope is something we all could benefit from at a time of loss.

## OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES

### In sympathy,

Lawrence Anderson lost his mother on March 8, 2017.

Bill & Emily MacKenzie on the loss of their son, Gary Allen, who died March 18, 2017.

Jan Kimber lost her grandson on April 25, 2017.

Dorothy Shields passed away April 26, 2017

Sheila Benneweis passed away April 30, 2017



### In celebration,

John and Maureen Flack announced the arrival of their grandson, Jesper Moreas Flack, April 5, 2017.

## MINISTRY RESOURCES AND ACCOUNTABILITY TEAM

This new team of session is to be a resource to our ministers. In order to be responsive to the needs of the ministers, we need your help. If you become aware of something that you feel needs attention and are having trouble approaching a minister, please feel free to approach us. If we can help resolve a problem, answer a question (or find the answer for you), we are saving our ministers valuable time and effort, so that they can handle their many tasks during this time of transition. The focus of this team has worked well in other active congregations, and we hope to make it work at St. Andrew's. Team members are Christine Pepper, Craig Murray and Linda Haines, convener. Talk to us on a Sunday, leave a message in the office for one of us to call you, or contact Linda directly. Let's make this work.

## TAKE 150 IS BACK!

Take 150 is back! We heard great reviews from kids and parents alike about our first night in March, so we are back to do it again! Family Ministry is once again offering Take 150, a program for parents and children (ages 6-12 years only), where both groups get to take 150 minutes for themselves. Running from 6:00 - 8:30 pm, parents can bring their kids to St. Andrew's, where they will be well cared for by familiar volunteers in the church. They will have dinner together and enjoy fun, quality programming. Parents --- you will have that time to yourselves! You can go on a long overdue date with your spouse, hang out with friends, grocery shop --- do what you want to do, knowing your children are well cared for and having a great time.

What: "Take 150" (Dinner and fun activities, ALL just for kids)

Who: Parents (night out) and kids ages 6-12 only (night in)

Date: Friday, May 26

Drop off: 6:00 pm

Pick-up: 8:30 pm

Location: St. Andrew's Church (Trinity Hall) Sign up! FREE tickets are available until Wednesday, May 24 at <http://bit.ly/take150>

# ST. ANDREW'S GROUNDS CLEAN-UP DAY AND SPRING PLANTING

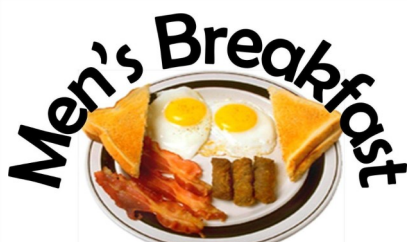
## SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017 AND JUNE 2, 2017

This is the time of year to clean and tidy up the church grounds for the summer, making the area clean and bright. Please consider helping for a few hours on **Saturday morning, May 20, 2017**. Starting at 9:00 am, it usually takes until 12:00 noon, with coffee, drinks and donuts available from the Facilities Team. Please preregister at the sign-up centre in the foyer. All this depends on the weather being dry and warm, of course!

**On Saturday, June 2, 2017**, volunteers are needed to help plant the various gardens with summer flowers and bedding plants. It will just take a morning to make the gardens come alive. Please sign up at the sign-up centre in the foyer and bring your gardening gloves.



**IT IS FIRE DRILL TIME AGAIN!**  
**MAY 21, 2017**  
**PLEASE LOCATE THE NEAREST EXIT**  
**FOLLOW DIRECTIONS**  
**EXIT QUICKLY AND CALMLY**  
**EVERYONE MUST LEAVE THE BUILDING**



All St. Andrew's men and ladies and guests are invited to attend our Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, May 27, 2017, in Trinity Hall, starting at 8:30 am. Our special guest speaker will be **Laurie Skreslet**, who had the distinction of being the first Canadian to climb Everest. He is a well-known speaker, and we look forward to his presentation. Cost is only \$5.00 per person. Please preregister at the sign-up centre in the foyer, and please invite your lady or guests to join us for a delicious breakfast, warm fellowship, and a great speaker.



**WELCOME TO THE 613 CHURCH!**  
**A GATHERING FOR ALL AGES AND STAGES!**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2017 AT 6:13 PM**  
**IN THE KARL ENGLISH LOUNGE**

### THE LADIES AFTERNOON GUILD

will be holding their wind-up buffet lunch on **Tuesday, June 13** in the Garden Court Dining Room, Glenmore Inn, 2720 Glenmore Trail SE beginning at 11:30 am, and we invite all ladies of the congregation to join us.

Prices are \$19.02 regular; \$16.60 for seniors 65 and over.

All prices include a 15% gratuity (groups more than 10) and include coffee, tea and pop.

Please sign the sheet at the sign-up centre in the foyer to reserve your spot.

Hope you can join us!



# Canadian Foodgrains Bank “Common Vision” Musical Extravaganza



Loran McVittie has been hard at work with our own Music Director, Cody and Regional Coordinator, Andre Visscher, on an exciting way to raise money this year for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. St. Andrew's Choir, special guest artist Michael Hope, and other church choirs and individual choristers from across Calgary will be joining forces to sing to end world hunger.

Featuring music written by Canadian hymn writer, Ron Klusmeier, the musicians will come together in a “Common Vision” to raise money and awareness about those in need around the world. As you may know from previous years, all proceeds raised will be matched by government programs four to one. And so, this concert is a great way to give back to mission work. Please mark this date on your calendar. You won't want to miss this large, musical extravaganza!

## “Common Vision: A Canadian Foodgrains Bank Fundraiser”

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM

Ice cream reception to follow!

### Tickets

\$20 early bird rate (before May 28<sup>th</sup>)

\$25 regular ticket (after May 28<sup>th</sup>)

\$10 students

Children 10 years and under - FREE  
(programming for children will be provided downstairs)

Starting May 7, tickets will be available, between services, in the foyer.

For more information see:

[www.standrewscalgary.ca](http://www.standrewscalgary.ca) or

[www.foodgrainsbank.ca](http://www.foodgrainsbank.ca)

Or speak to Loran McVittie with questions or to volunteer to help.



# SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

The title of our study this summer is "A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place". However, as we know from last summer when we were joined by four men, God's word and God's dwelling place is not in any way limited to a woman's heart! Here is one place where there is absolute equality, in knowledge, in understanding and in love.

Every Wednesday evening we will be showing videos taught by Beth Moore. She is a firecracker teacher, full of passion and searing insight. You can drop in at any time during the summer.

There is a notebook that goes along with the videos. During the week, if you choose, you get to look up scriptures and write prayers in answer to personal questions. Our discussions center on the video. It is not necessary to complete the work in the book, but anyone who does it will tell you, "Wow, it adds so much blessing!" Sign up at the sign-up centre to order your copy.

The other blessing is what we give to each other. We have struggles, questions, doubts. We cry together, we listen, we share what we think without judgment. We comfort with the comfort with which we were comforted. Don't worry, we also party, laugh and joke around!

Summer is a time to relax, try something new, meet people, get into God's word. **Join us for Wednesday evenings, June 14 to August 23, 7:00 pm. For more information, contact Nicola Cameron.**

## HERITAGE SENIORS STRAWBERRY TEA

Saturday, May 13, 2017 1pm-3pm

Tickets \$6 available in foyer between services

Arts & Crafts Stall, Books & Puzzles and Bake Table

Come and have fun!



From our banner on page one:

*Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Matthew 28:19*

The **Family Ministry Team** will be hosting another fun-filled camping weekend!



When: August 25, 26, 27

Where: Little Bow Provincial Park

Cost: \$70.00 per family / campsite for the weekend

Activities include: fun for all ages, fellowship, swimming at the lake, outdoor worship service led by Reverend Jared.

Vulcan is a half-hour drive away for those who may want to stay in a hotel.

Please contact Craig Murray for more details.

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**NEXT DEADLINE: May 15, 2017**

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