

Connecting with St. Andrew's

ST. ANDREW ANGLICAN CHURCH

Welcome to the end of September and beginning of October, the start up of the many programs and activities here at St. Andrew's. We have many exciting plans and projects for this year. The first has already begun as we explore the Narrative Lectionary, a scriptural focus on the major events and persons of the Bible.

We are also excited to have a new Bishop for the Diocese, The Right Reverend Naboth Manzongo. His installation was a really exciting service and you can still view it online, and it is well worth a watch. The bishop has a exciting new perspective and I look forward to seeing what his plans are going to be.

The Anglican Church has been experiencing a number of challenges locally and nationally and it looks like this year is going to be the year the Church is tackling those challenges head on. On October 19th, after church we will be hosting a town hall to hear about the major changes planned at the National level. These are certain to trickle down and inspire change at the Diocesan level as well.

This issue of Connecting will detail a lot of the activities coming up and the many ways that you can get involved in the Parish. We are certainly a busy place to be! During the announcement time before the 10am service we will be hearing about the many ministries of St. Andrew's and how they benefit the parish and community. Thank you to all those people who are contributing so much to God's ministry at this parish. As we head into our fresh program year there is a lot to look forward to and I hope you find many things to get involved with and enjoy.

God bless us this fall and help us thrive in His name.

Reverend Liz Richens

COFFEE HOUR

St. Andrew's parishioners love their Coffee Hour and visiting time! Thank you to Pam G, Nina, Laura F, Lynda T, and Lynne T for agreeing to continue on the set-up team. This team makes sure to have the coffee and tea ready to go. They set up and clean up! Speaking of setting up, thanks to everyone who takes the time before the 10:00 am service to come and help put up the tables and chairs. We have two new members, Lisa and Lora Lynne joining the set-up team. Welcome ladies, we are happy to have you with us. If anyone else would like to join please contact Sue at suedmarlatt@gmail.com.

Coffee Hour would not be the same without the delicious treats our hosts bring. Thank you to our members who have hosted already! You can sign up to take your turn hosting on the sheet outside the kitchen door. When you host you will have the assistance of the set-up team person, who will meet you at 9:30 am before the service and assist you as needed. If you would prefer us to serve the coffee and tea just let us know. Looking forward to seeing you at Coffee Hour after Church!

Sue Marlatt

**INTRODUCING OUR NEW BISHOP:
THE RIGHT REVEREND NABOTH MANZONGO**



On May 31st, 2025, the Diocese of Rupert's Land elected Naboth Manzongo to be Bishop of Rupert's Land, and he was installed on September 13th, in a vibrant and packed service.

Bishop Naboth is the first Black Bishop in the Anglican Church of Canada, having been born in Zimbabwe. He has been ordained for 17 years and has been in Canada since 2018.

Bishop Naboth has said that his priorities will be building relationships between the parishes and the Diocese, as well as between the clergy and focusing on the financial challenges that the Diocese faces. He has also spoken about the importance of continuing the work around Indigenous relationships and reconciliation, particularly around the land.

Bishop Naboth speaks eloquently about the need for change and growth in the Diocese, and has a great deal of experience in those areas, both lived and educational.

I look forward to working with him and seeing the improvements that will be implemented under his leadership.

May God bless him and all our Diocese under his leadership.

Rev. Liz Richens

THE BAZAAR IS COMING! THE BAZAAR IS COMING!

Yes, St Andrew's Bazaar is coming November 1st, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm! There will be baking, crafts (think of Christmas presents!), a Book Nook, Treasure Table and a 50/50 draw, as well as tickets for the Quilt Raffle that will be drawn for on that day.

It's a great time to come and see what is for sale and to meet up with friends. St Andrew's Bazaar always has great wares for sale.

But, your help is needed! What could you contribute to this event that helps St Andrew's directly? Baking, jelly, jams, candy are needed for the Bake Table. Perhaps you craft, knit or crochet and would contribute an item or two for the Craft Table. Perhaps you have books you have read and are looking for a convenient place to take them. The Book Nook is the place! If you have been busy making some items for the Bazaar, please bring them in as soon as possible, rather than waiting until the day before. It would be very helpful, so that we can start pricing everything. Please give your items to Pam Green or Margaret Childs. Many thanks.

Have you sold a book of Raffle tickets? First prize is a hand-quilted quilt; second is \$150; third is a hand quilted Christmas table runner. You could be the winner!

The best thing you can do to support the Bazaar and all the work that St Andrew's does, is to come to the Bazaar and bring a friend! Come, shop and visit! November 1st! See you there!

Doreen Pattie

VENDOR SALE

St. Andrew's Craft and Vendor Sale is returning for another year on November 29th, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to come buy some of your Christmas gifts, baking, as well as other helpful items! We could love to see you there!

ST. ANDREW'S MEN'S CLUB

St. Andrew's Men's Club meets monthly generally on the third Saturday, September to June. Our next meeting is October 18th in the Parish Hall, at 8:30 am. These coffee gatherings are informal and afford the men of the Parish an opportunity to meet and engage in casual conversation. **Everyone is welcome!**

Please note that our November meeting will be held on Friday, November 14th instead.

George V. Wright

CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROJECT

St. Andrew's applied for 6 families of the 4-5 persons last year, and plans to do the same this year.

A full list of hamper requirements will be posted on the bulletin boards again this year. It isn't too early to start shopping now when various items are on sale! Non-perishable items you can start picking up now based on last year's list (may be some slight changes) include: 1L fruit Juice, canned soup, canned veggies, jello, canned fruit, mac & cheese, pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, oatmeal, tuna, peanut butter, pancake mix, syrup, stuffing mix, jam, cookies, cake mix, candy, gravy mix, dried fruit, sugar, flour, tea, coffee, boxed scalloped and mashed potatoes, cereal. Cash donations will also be welcome and will be used to pick up the perishable items.

White Gift Sunday will be December 14th with sorting and packing December 15th and delivery December 16th. White Gift Sunday is when everyone brings in their items to donate to the Christmas hampers. Everything helps, so if you find any of the above nonperishable items on sale, please consider purchasing an item or two for the hampers. Volunteers will be needed to deliver, to sort and to pack the hampers and to sort and wrap the gifts. We will need lots and lots of volunteers so stay tuned for the call for help!

Susan Chadwick

WOODHAVEN FOOD BANK

Our Woodhaven Food Bank continues to run smoothly every second Thursday, the dates of which can be found in the included calendar. As you may recall from our summer edition of Connecting, we have been anxiously awaiting confirmation from Manitoba Harvest regarding a rescheduled date, as our last date in December falls on Christmas Day. We have now received confirmation from Winnipeg Harvest that **Saturday, December 27th** will be our date-in-lieu.

Thanks as always to our dedicated teams of volunteers who show up faithfully, making this community event the success it is!

Anita Cox, Coordinator

SOUPER SUNDAY

Souper Sunday will be on December 7th. What is Souper Sunday? Well, parishioners sign up to bring either a pot of homemade soup, or a dozen buns. It is always amazing to see all the different soups that come in. The soups and buns should be brought to the Hall before the 10 am service. A small number of soup angels ensure that the soups are hot in time for lunch. We do ask for monetary donations for lunch, all the proceeds going to Agape Table. This event came about many years ago when a Warden visited Agape Table, and witnessed them serving soup and buns to their clients. She thought it would be a great idea to do something similar, but to raise funds for Agape Table. It has now become an Advent tradition at St. Andrew's. Look for the sign-up sheet at the back of the Church in the coming weeks.

Pam Green

MISSION AND MINISTRY

Mission and Ministry has some changes coming up. Here is a look at what has happened and what is coming up in the next few months:

Bulletin Board—Check out our themed bulletin board located in the foyer of the church for information and updates on the organizations that we are active in. Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF), collecting stamps, glasses and hearing aids, West Broadway/St. Matthew Maryland are but a few of our ongoing projects!

Foster Child through Plan International Canada—We continue to support our foster child, Hantz-Michael through donations collected at coffee hour. Get to know him by checking out the framed biography on display! Watch in the bulletin for updates on collection amounts.

1 Just City—Under 1 Just City we support the Pimicikamak Wellness Centre as well as other initiatives. The West Broadway location has transitioned into a Housing Resource Hub. This site focuses on assisting folks with access to safe stable housing, with workshops in life skills, tenant rights education and resolution coaching, cultural programming, navigation of the social system, and delivers one-on-one case management and trauma-informed care. With this change we have ceased collecting food items for this site; however, we are supporting the 1 Just City. Please see the back of the Church for details.

Rupert's Land Indigenous Wechetowin Ministry—One of our indigenous community outreach programs we support.

A Rocha—Stay tuned for further information regarding a presentation with ideas and plans for making our Church greener.

Alongside Hope (previously known as PWRDF)—Stay tuned for further updates!

Loving Hands—Our Loving Hands ministry supports West End 24 as well as the West Broadway Youth Program. Early summer we were able to delivery approximately 36 bags to the centre with essential items. At the end of August, Norma delivered 8 boxes of school supplies to the Program.

100 Mile Dinner—Our first 100 Mile Dinner (potluck) was held after the 10am service on September 28th, and what a success it was! We had many interesting dishes made from (mostly) ingredients sourced from within a 100-mile radius of Winnipeg. Many thanks to those who organized, set up, cleaned up, and brought yummy dishes for all in attendance to enjoy!

Agape Table—Our Volunteer dates have been established on the following Fridays: October 24th, November 21st, and December 19th. Watch the Sunday Bulletins for reminders, and if you are interested in coming out, please contact Laura Ryback at lryback@mymts.net

Thelma Wynne Project—All knitters and crocheters may want to commence making items for our next Baby Shower, which will be held April 26th, 2026.

Thank you! Without your support, these campaigns and programs would not be possible.

God Bless, Shelley Gorets

INUIT CULTURE

Inuit culture is a rich and diverse tradition of Indigenous peoples inhabiting the circumpolar Arctic and Sub-Arctic regions, with a strong connection to the land and sea, and a history spanning millennia. “Inuit” means “the people” in the Inuktitut language and “Inuk” is the singular form of Inuit. Inuit are not First Nations people and Inuit are not Indians. Inuit language is Inuktitut. Inuit are a group of culturally similar Indigenous Peoples.

Traditionally, Inuit were nomadic people and relied on hunting and fishing for survival. Their diet was rich in Vitamin D from fatty fish and marine mammals. Igloos were a crucial part of Inuit culture, serving as shelter during harsh winters. Inuit traditionally used oral communication to pass on stories and knowledge.

Inuit culture places a high value on sharing, respect for elders and cooperation. Art has a long history, including carvings, wall hangings and cave drawings. Inuksuks, stone figures used for navigation and marking places, are a significant symbol of Inuit culture. Clothing was designed to withstand harsh climate, using materials like seal fur. Sled dogs were essential for transportation and hunting, not pets. Inuit culture is closely tied to the natural environment and Inuit beliefs are based on animism, the belief that everything has a spirit. Inuit communities have produced world-renowned musicians and artists. Inuit leaders have helped advance the global struggle for Indigenous self-determination.

International Inuit Day, also known as International Circumpolar Inuit Day, is celebrated annually on November 7th to recognize and celebrate the rich cultures, languages, and identities of Inuit people, and to amplify their voices. The day serves as a platform to celebrate the unique heritage of Inuit communities across the circumpolar region, which includes Canada, Greenland, Alaska, and parts of Russia. International Inuit Day was established by the Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) in 2006, and the date of November 7th was chosen to honour the birth of Eben Hopson Sr., the founder of ICC. It is a time to recognize the contributions of Inuit in Canada and around the world, and to raise awareness about the challenges they face, including climate change and the preservation of their culture and way of life.

The majority of Inuit in Canada live in four regions, collectively known as Inuit Nunangat, which are Nunatsiavut (Norther Labrador), Nunavik (Northern Quebec), Nunavut, and the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (Northwest Territories).

The Government of Canada recognizes the importance of working with Inuit to build healthier and more prosperous communities, protect the Arctic environment, and support a strong and dynamic northern economy.

Manitoba Inuit Association (MIA) is the representative organization for Inuit living in Manitoba. MIA provides dynamic Inuit-specific programs and services that embody Inuit principles and values, and ensure opportunities to strengthen connections to Inuit culture, language and community living in urban and rural/remote areas of Manitoba.

Thousands of Inuit come to Manitoba every year for training, health care, advanced education, or to seek further opportunities. Hundreds of Inuit have made Manitoba their permanent home, and every year, the number of Inuit moving south increases. Reporting to an Inuit Board of Directors, the Manitoba Inuit Association represents Inuit living in Manitoba by providing Inuit-specific services such as training, employment, education, health and wellbeing, and cultural and community connections.

Angeline Cara and Shirley Bender

UPCOMING EVENTS

	<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
October				
7th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
7th	1:00pm	Corporation Meeting	Church Lower Level	
7th	7:30pm	Mission and Ministry	Virtual	Shelley Gorets
11th	10:00am-3:00pm	Rental	Parish Hall	
14th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
16th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Lynne & Anita
18th	8:30am	Men's Club	Parish Hall	George
18th	8:00am-1:00pm	CPR/AED Training	Parish Hall	Susan Chadwick
21st	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
21st	7:00pm	Vestry	Church Lower Level	
23rd	9:00am-12:00pm	Rummage Sorting	Hall Lower Level	Laura Frederick
24th	7:00am-11:00am	Agape Table Volunteering	Agape Table	Laura Ryback
25th	9:00am-12:00pm	Rummage Sale	Hall Lower Level	Laura Frederick
28th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
30th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Sue & Doreen
November				
1st	10:00am-2:00pm	Bazaar	Parish Hall	
4th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
4th	1:00pm	Corporation Meeting	Church Lower Level	
11th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
12th	5:00pm-9:00pm	Rental	Parish Hall	
13th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Lynne & Anita
14th	8:30am	Men's Club	Parish Hall	George
14th	6:00pm-2:00pm (15th)	Embers Sleepover	Parish Hall	
18th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
18th	7:00pm	Vestry	Church Lower Level	
21st	7:00am-11:00am	Agape Table Volunteering	Agape Table	Laura Ryback
25th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
27th	9:00am-12:00pm	Rummage Sorting	Hall Lower Level	Laura Frederick
27th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Sue & Doreen
29th	9:00am-12:00pm	Rummage Sale	Hall Lower Level	Laura Frederick
29th	10:00am-2:00pm	Vendor Sale	Parish Hall	Sue Marlatt
29th	6:00pm	Tree Lighting & Potluck	Parish Hall	
30th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen

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Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Church is to learn and teach about God in Christ, through Scripture; loving God with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and loving our neighbour as ourselves.

Vision Statement

To be a welcoming and nurturing community using our God-given gifts in service to parish, neighbourhood, and the world.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December

2nd	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
5th	12:00pm-8:00pm	Scrapbooking	Parish Hall	Private Rental
6th	10:00am-6:00pm	Scrapbooking	Parish Hall	Private Rental
7th	11:30am	Souper Sunday	Parish Hall	
9th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
11th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Lynne & Anita
14th	11:30am	White Gift Sunday + Hamper Sorting	Parish Hall	
15th	TBD	Gift Wrapping	Parish Hall	
16th	TBD	Hamper Delivery	Parish Hall	
16th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
19th	7:00am-11:00am	Agape Table Volunteering	Agape Table	Laura Ryback
20th	8:30am	Men's Club	Parish Hall	George
23rd	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen
24th	4:00pm + 7:00pm	Christmas Eve Services	Church	
25th	10:00am	Christmas Day Service	Church	
27th	12:00pm-6:00pm	Food Bank	Parish Hall	Sue & Doreen
30th	9:30am-11:30am	Creekside Quilters	Parish Hall	Doreen