

Inside-Out

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Fall 2016

Worship

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Welcome Back Sunday, 11 a.m.

Scripture: 1 Timothy 1: 12–17; Luke 15: 1–10

Sermon: "An Unlikely Pilgrimage"

The Rev. Dr. Richard Fee

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

18th Sunday after Pentecost, 11 a.m. Scripture: Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1; Luke 16: 1-13

Sermon: "Harvest is Past, Summer is

Ended"

The Rev. Dr. Richard Fee

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Taizé Chapel Service (Evening Prayer and Song), 6 p.m

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

19th Sunday after Pentecost, 11 a.m.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Scripture: I Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

Sermon: "If Someone Rises From The Dead"

The Rev. Dr. Richard Fee

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

World Communion Sunday, 11 a.m. Scripture: 2 Timothy 1: 1–14; Luke 17:

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Thanksgiving Sunday, 11 a.m.

Scripture: 2 Kings 5: 1–3, 7–15c; Luke 17:

11-19

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

(Chapel Communion, 12:15)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

22nd Sunday after Pentecost, 11 a.m. Scripture: Genesis 32: 22–31; Luke 18: 1–8

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

Service of Induction for The Rev. Dr. Glenn

Chestnutt, 3 p.m.

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WELCOME TO MONTREAL...

And to Hannah, Rowan and Glenn Chestnutt we say an especially warm greeting as you join the fellowship of The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 Choral Celebration Sunday, 11 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Baptism Scripture: Joel 2:23-32; Luke 18:9-14 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 All Saints Sunday, 11 a.m. Scripture: Ephesians 1: 11–23; Luke 6:20-31 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 Remembrance Sunday, 11 a.m. Scripture: Micah 4:1-8; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 Stewardship Sunday, 11 a.m. Scripture: Isaiah 65: 17–25; Luke 21: 5–19 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 Taizé Chapel Service (Evening Prayer and Song), 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 Christ the King Sunday, 11 a.m. Bach Festival Service Scripture: Colossians 1: 11–20; Luke 23: 33–43 Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27
First Sunday of Advent
Sacrament of Holy Communion,
11 a.m.
Scripture: Isaiah 2: 1–5; Matthew 24:
36–44
Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Glenn
Chestnutt

Letter from the Editor



Dear Friends,

his is a very exciting time in the life of our congregation. All the complicated pieces of the planning are completed as we welcome the Chestnutt family to Montreal and to our community of faith. Letters have been written over the last issues of *InsideOut* by our Interim Moderator, Principal Dale Woods. Pastoral epistles have come also from the Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney, and sometimes from our Session

Clerk Donald Walcot. I decided as the Editor of this newsletter for many years, that I would like to say a few words!

First of all, there is so much for which we must be grateful. The Chestnutt family has arrived safely! The shipping of a household of furniture and belongings across the Atlantic has been accomplished and the family is in residence at the Manse. All the work permit regulations went through smoothly for Dr. Glenn Chestnutt's employment at The Church of St Andrew and St Paul. The family arrived just in time for Rowan to start school on the first day – that had been a concern. Would they arrive before school began? Rowan was there with his parents Hannah and Glenn that first day! Now Glenn is in Quebec City absorbing French Canadian culture and language and hopefully some of the great food this Province has to offer! The Presbytery of Montreal requires ministers new to the Province to spend their first month in French immersion. Our Senior Minister will be back in Montreal at the end of September. And rumour has it that all three members of the family were in church on Sunday September 4! His Induction Service is set for October 16, at 3:00 pm.

None of this happens by chance, but by careful planning and thoughtful teamwork. Our Interim Moderator deserves our great appreciation. Dale Woods is a good friend of this congregation. His knowledge of the ways of Presbyterianism helped to make sure the choosing of a new minister went through as smoothly as possible. Timing was tricky. The Call, so well signed by 94% of this congregation, went from Montreal to the Presbytery responsible for the Gourock congregation. Our thanks to Dale are profound.

The Search Committee, under the leadership of Ruling Elder Rhonda McClure, worked prayerfully and with great integrity. Their work was well done, and the congregation owes them a debt of gratitude. We have had wonderful support from other ministers — Jack Archibald, Rick Fee, and our own Minister Emeritus Jim Armour — our thanks go to them all. And Kay Diviney, who, since she arrived to be our Associate Minister, has been handed major and difficult challenges, is deserving of our immense appreciation and thanks.

And now I want to acknowledge that through all these testing times, you, the members of this congregation, have continued to support our church life. Progams have flourished. The Board of Trustees has made sure the Manse was readied for the Chestnutts, as well as making sure the day to day life of the church continued. Church staff have never faltered as they are asked to support our mission. The Music Programs have gone from strength to strength. The Church School and the Youth Group continue to delight us under the remarkable Dworzak leaders. Outreach to Syrians, food for the Yellow Door ministry, Coffee and Conversation offering fellowship after Sunday Worship — everyone has continued to hold the energy of our congregation in their hearts.

We can say to our new friends, the Chestnutt family, "Welcome". We are ready for the work that lies ahead, and can promise our support and affection as the mission of our church moves into a new chapter. We are thankful to see God's faithfulness at work. We have undertaken our work with prayer and we believe that in ways seen and unseen, God has answered those prayers.

Sincerely, Susan Stevenson



This is the wedding party of two members of this church, both members of the Choir. Kerianne and Evan met in the Choir and fell in love! You can believe the music and singing at the wedding was spectacular.

From the Church Register

Baptisms

June 12 Julia Rochford



Marriages

May 28

Robert Labreche and Christina Burn

Evan Brydon and Kerianne Wilson

Joey Forgione and Rosemarie Del Vasto

Memorials & Funerals

FUNERALS

March 29

Ian Soutar

April 1

Margaret Bailey

May 19

Edward Van der Griend

MEMORIALS

June 23

Phyllis Tolmie

Fall Fair 2016

Fall is Almost Here Again

he air is slowly cooling and fall is quickly approaching, as is the 82nd Annual Fall Fair of The Guild of The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, on Saturday, November 5 from 9:30am to 2:30pm. Admission is free, although we would kindly appreciate a donation of a non-perishable food item as you enter 3419 Redpath Street.

We invite you to come and shop for a variety of items found upon several tables: Antiques and Treasures, Asian Delights, Children's items, Christmas items, Home Baking, Jams and Preserves, Jewelry, Lace and Linen, Treasures (fine china and sliver, etc.) and Trifles (just about anything that can fit on a table, yet does not belong on one of the other aforementioned ones). A luncheon (\$10 per person), will be served in three sittings: 11:30am, 12:15pm, and 1:00pm. You may purchase your tickets for the luncheon in advance of each dining time.

The Fall Fair is the church's largest yearly fundraiser, with a fair amount of the proceeds donated to local charities. None of the Fair's fundraising, however, would be possible without a highly dedicated team of volunteers. The preparation leading up to the fair and the day itself is quite entertaining: we strongly welcome anyone—regardless of age, experience or time available—to come and help in any way you are able. We have three volunteer areas of particular need this year: security, home baking, and youth assistants. Volunteers of all sorts of tasks are needed during the day from Tuesday to Thursday, November 1 to 3, and on the day of the Fall Fair itself.

If you would like to become involved, please contact the Fall Fair Convenors: Heather White Luckow: fallfair.standrew-stpaul@gmail.com, 514-697-6569; or Katie Kinnear: katiekinnear@hotmail.com, 514-935-4400. To donate to the Fall Fair, please drop off gently-used items at the main church office during operating hours. Thank you for supporting the Church through the Fall Fair. We look forward to seeing you on November 5!

Sincerely, HeatherWhite Luckow and Katie Kinnear Fall Fair Convenors

The Open Church

his summer I had the unique experience of being the volunteer supervisor of the two guides who were hired to welcome visitors when the "Open Church" was in operation. I was the public face for the many people who contributed to the organization and ultimate success of this project; Donna George, Frank Philpott, Bruce Bolton, Brain Merrett, Diana Veenstra, Peter Sabourin, Jim Armour and, of course Kay Diviney, are some of the people who were an invaluable resource. Everyone from the various church committees was unfailingly generous with their time and knowledge during the week of training for the guides.

And the two young people were wonderful choices for this job. Louis Buckett is well known as he grew up in the church and is a member, and works on the security desk. His presence made my job easier as his knowledge of the building meant that he could steer us through any problem. Noemie Tremblay-Lamontagne from McGill and Quebec City put her skills as an anthropologist to good use and they both studied hard and thus were able to give very detailed and informative tours with charm and welcoming grace. The church was open every week day from 10:00 am till 3:00 pm through July and most of August. First and last hours of the day, the two guides worked on the church archives. The total number of visitors was 1889!

It was a delight to see the amazement and surprise of the visitors when they walked in and saw the beauty of the great building that is The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. I think it is important to continue this work and I hope that we can build on this foundation in the future.

Don Kelly



Guides Louis Buckett and Noemie Tremblay-Lamontagne did a fine job this

Wine & Cheese Party

November 3 is the date for this annual event, part of the Fall Fair excitements! All proceeds go to the Fall Fair Funds. It is held in the Session Room, and everyone is welcome! There will be delicious wine and excellent Quebec cheeses. The most interesting items from the Fall Fair tables will be available for sale.

It is a time for good fellowship and we encourage you to bring friends who may not know the church community. It is grand party, and everyone is welcome!

Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Cost: \$20:00

Reserve a place: 514-933-2934

Tickets will be sold following the Worship Service from mid-October.

The Guild

Plum Pudding Plans for the Fall Fair



he Queen Elizabeth Hotel, which has generously steamed our plum puddings for sale at the Fall Fair for many years, is closed for a year for renovations, but the good news is ...we have found another venue so we are still in business!

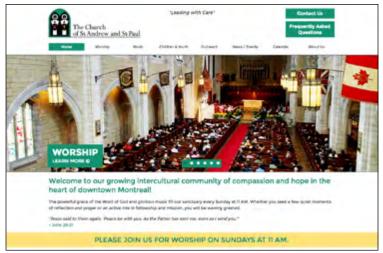
We will continue to take pre-paid pudding orders from our loyal clients, so watch for the order forms which will be available in the Narthex on Sundays in September and at the Church Office.

Please note: To facilitate the cooking process for this pilot project, we will only be making one-pound puddings. The deadline for preorders will be September 30th. Don't forget to order our world-famous hard sauce! And remember that the puddings also make a great Christmas gift.

For information, contact Betty-Jo Christiani:

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The Church Website

Keep checking!

or most folk who have computers, you get this newsletter online. For those who are on computers but still prefer to have a paper copy, that can be arranged through calling the church office and requesting it — 514-842-3431.

For those who come to the Worship Service Sunday by Sunday, you are perhaps appearing on a screen without realizing it. We now LIVE STREAM the Service — a wonderful arrangement for those unable to attend regularly. Previous services are archived and may be found through the website. Filling the front pews is an interesting thought. The church may be packed but the front pews are the ones that usually show up on the screen!

There is a Calendar which is kept well up to date if you should want to know information about meetings or services. New items are being introduced to make the site easier to visit, and if you have ideas, please let the Communication team know: info@standrewstpaul.com; 514-842-3431

PWS&D

A very special project



With support from the Rev. Jeff Veenstra Memorial Fund of The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, PWS&D will embark on a new project in Malawi in Jeff's name. Through the Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health project, which will be implemented in two separate regions of Malawi, existing antenatal and labor wards will be renovated and extended, health professionals will be trained, and "safe motherhood" committees will be established in villages. By investing in both

infrastructure and people, this wonderful new project will have a lasting impact in the lives of communities. In addition, The Government of Canada will match every dollar donated to this project four to one.

Donations may be made using the white envelopes located in the pews. Please mark them "PWS&D-Rev. Jeff Veenstra Memorial Fund."

Music Notes

The summer that was, and the year ahead...

he A&P music ministry staff have had an inspiring summer, and are excited to launch another year of great sacred music in our church. Here is an account of our adventures:



Jean-Sébastien writes:

What a summer it's been! The past few months have been a time of new discoveries, exciting music making, and obviously, muchneeded rest. In May, I had the opportunity to travel to China to conduct concerts and offer masterclasses to young conductors. I travelled to Beijing, Shanghai, Handan, and Kunmings.

In each city I met wonderful dedicated musicians and was touched by the warm welcome of the audiences. However, I was also challenged by the language and cultural differences, which led me to rethink my approach to music and my way of teaching it. After returning from China I spent a week in Edmonton for the Choral Canada conference - a convention bringing together choirs and conductors from all over the country. It was fulfilling to witness the vitality of the Canadian choral scene and to spend some time with new and old friends. I also received a lot of very positive feedback on the CBC Sing-In that many of my colleagues heard on the radio last December – hats off to the A&P Choir for shining all across Canada! Finally, right after completing the season with the A&P choir, I took off for six weeks in Los Angeles to conduct a series of concerts with the Mountainside Master Chorale and to record an album of choral works by Southern California composers – a project supported by the L.A. Arts Council. After my time under the warm California sun, I was glad to come back home in Montreal and spend the rest of the summer discovering all the extraordinary things this city has to offer. After this exciting summer I'm now very happy to find my colleagues at A&P and McGill for another year of music making.



Jonathan Oldengarm played on this monumental Schnitger organ of the Martinikerk in Groningen, one of the most perfect in the Netherlands.



Jonathan writes:

In late June, I had the privilege of playing several concerts in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, and also to play some historic instruments in Groningen, the northernmost province of the Netherlands. My first stop was Amsterdam, where I played at the Augustinuskerk, a modern building that houses an

1888 organ built by Aristide Cavaillé-Coll, 19th-century France's greatest builder. (He built or rebuilt the instruments at Notre-Dame, St. Sulpice, Sacré-Coeur, La Trinité, Ste. Clothilde and St. Denis in Paris, for example.) Next was a recital in Vlissingen, a beautiful city in the far south of the Netherlands, on the coast. Then it was off to Rhede (Germany), where the enormous neogothic parish church still has its original 19th-century stained glass windows and Jugendstil ceramic floor tiles, a rarity in Germany's WWII-ravaged city centres. Then several days in Groningen (NL), where I was able to play 16th and 17th-century organs built by the masters Hinsz, Schnitger and Faber. The musical quality and craftsmanship of these organs is almost unparalleled. The final concert was perhaps the most inspiring, in the great cathedral of Antwerp, Belgium. In the 17th century, Antwerp was the epicentre of the great Flemish painting school that grew around Rubens, and the cathedral commissioned many artworks in the day. Most of them have since been moved to the city's art museum, but since the art museum is currently under renovation, 25 of its altar triptychs are on display in the cathedral. Rubens' famous Descent from the Cross (1612) is displayed right next to the organ upon which I was playing music by John Bull (1562-1628), who was cathedral organist at the time Rubens was creating his masterpiece.

Upon my return to Canada, I taught in the summer academy of the Royal Canadian College of Organists' national convention in Kingston, Ontario. The Organ Intermezzi recital series here at the church was in full swing by that point (kudos to the artists, and thanks to all who attended and donated so generously again this year!), and Jean-Sébastien and I then went into full-on 2016-17 planning mode.

These varied adventures allow us to inspire and to be inspired by other people and places. We are both in perpetual learning mode, since music is an inherently dynamic art—no two performances or liturgies are quite the same. Working in the repetitive, cyclical context of the church calendar (Easter and Christmas happen every year!), it is essential to stay fresh and open to new approaches. We have returned renewed and recharged, and look forward to a 2016-17 season full of musical colour and variety. In addition to our primary role of leading Sunday morning's musical worship, special services and concerts are on the docket for the fall term and are listed on the next page.

Jonathan Oldengarm, Director of Music and Organist Jean-Sébastien Vallée, Conductor

Special Choral Services & Concerts

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1:30 P.M. Chorister Recital, as part of the province-wide Journées de la Culture open house

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 7:30 P.M. A concert honouring Canadian composers Raymond Daveluy and Sir Ernest MacMillan, as part of the Canadian International Organ Competition festival

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 11 A.M. Choral Celebration Sunday, featuring a major anthem for choir and organ

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 4 TO 10 P.M.

The Montreal Bach Festival's wildly popular *Nuit des chœurs*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20,11 A.M. A worship service, in partnership with the Montreal Bach Festival, featuring J.S. Bach's motet *Jesu*, *meine Freude*, BWV 227

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 7:30 P.M. Annual benefit concert for the Maison du Parc, featuring our choir singing Brahms' *Requiem*, with members of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra Players' Association; Kent Nagano, guest conductor

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 3 P.M. CBC Christmas Sing-In

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 7:30 P.M. Handel's *Messiah*, with the McGill Chamber Orchestra; Boris Brott, conductor

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 7 P.M. Carols by Candlelight

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 11 P.M. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

A Musical Treat

A CD is in preparation

t the end of April 2016, following the busy Easter season, our church musicians held recording sessions in the sanctuary on three consecutive evenings. The goal was to produce an album — the choir's first since the 1970s. The music is a selection of A&P favourites, including Fauré's "Cantique de Jean Racine," Bruckner's "Os justi" and Thompson's "Alleluia," as well as a spiritual, a few hymns and a postlude that features the church's outstanding Casavant organ.

The production is made possible by donations from some members of the congregation, while for the choristers, music director Jonathan Oldengarm and conductor Jean-Sébastien Vallée, it is a labour of love. Robert Rowat (CBC music producer and a member of our choir) and François Goupil (senior recording engineer at Radio-Canada) are producing the recording, and the latest buzz is that it sounds amazing.

If post-production goes according to schedule, CDs will be available in October. Stay tuned for news about an album launch and to find out how you can obtain copies. (They'll make excellent gifts for everyone on your Christmas list.)



Organ & Choral Music List Fall 2016

September 11

Hymns: 415 (Caithness); Metrical Psalm 80 (St. Columba); 469 (Maryton); 510 (Salzburg)

Prelude: Prière (Franck)

Introit: Verleih' uns Frieden (Mendelssohn) Anthem: O clap your hands (Vaughan Williams)

Postlude: Allegro deciso, from *Evocation*, op. 37

(Dupré)

September 18

Hymns: 458 (Slane); Metrical Psalm 13 (Martyrdom); 404 (Eisenach); 456 (Canonbury)

Prelude: Sicilienne (Bach/Vierne), & Come,

Sweetest Death (Bach/Fox) Introit: Beati quorum via (Stanford)

Anthem: Laudate Pueri Dominum à 5

(Monteverdi)

Postlude: Sinfonia, from Cantata 29 (Bach/

Guilmant)

September 25

Hymns: 374 (St. Oswald); Metrical Psalm 3 (St. Flavian); 222 (St. Cecilia); 306 (Thornbury)

Prelude: excerpts from *Esquisses Byzantines* (Mulet)

Introit: Factum est silentium (Dering)

Anthem: Psalm 148 (Holst) Postlude: Carillon-Sortie (Mulet)

October 2

Hymns: 385 (Warrington); 395 (Pater Omnium); Communion Hymn 178 (Rockingham); 489 (Bethany)

Prelude: Second Suite for Organ (Karam) Setting: Mass of St. Thomas (Holman)

Anthem: Te Deum (MacMillan)

Motets: Hear my prayer (Enns); Behold, the

Tabernacle of God (Willan)

Postlude: Cortège Académique (MacMillan)

October 9

Hymns: 567 (St. George's, Windsor); Metrical Psalm 47 (Kingsfold); 570 (All Through the Night); 103 (Nun danket)

Prelude: Trio Sonata no. 1 in E flat, BWV 525 (Bach)

Introit: Fear not, O Land - Harvest anthem (Elgar)

Anthem: Jubilate Deo (Gabrieli)

Postlude: Final, from *Symphonie I*, op. 14 (Vierne)

October 16

Hymns: 216 (Darwall's 148th); Metrical Psalm 22 (Dundee); 101 (Dunfermline); 467 (Abbot's Leigh)

Prelude: Excerpts from *Dublin Organ Mass* (Leighton)

Introit: I Will Lift mine Eyes (Runestad Anthem: O God, enfold me in the Sun (Leighton)

Postlude: Toccata (Hammond)

October 16 induction service, 3 p.m.

Hymns: 415 (Little Cornard); Metrical Psalm 80 (St Columba); 276 (St. Patrick); 489 (Bethany)

Prélude: Fantasia on an Irish Air (Stanford) Introit: How lovely are the messengers, from St. Paul (Mendelssohn)

Anthem: The Last Words of David (Thompson)
Postlude: St Patrick's Breastplate, from *Sonata Celtica* (Stanford)

October 23

Hymns: 86 (Ein' feste Burg); Baptismal Hymn 338 (Angelus); 290 (Liebster Jesu); 61 (Lasst uns erfreuen)

Prelude: Nun freut euch, lieben Christen gmein, BuxWV 225 (Buxtehude)

Introit: Salvation is Created (Chesnokov)
Anthem: Svyati (Tavener), with solo violoncello
Postlude: Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137

(Buxtehude)

October 30

Church School Children sing in service
Hymns: 316 (Vulpius); Metrical Psalm 36
(Newington); 296 (Crüger); 310, vs. 1, 2, 4,
7, 8 (Sine nomine)

Prelude: Prélude & Andante sostenuto, from Symphonie gothique, op. 70 (Widor)

Introit: I heard a voice (Tomkins)
Anthem: Faire is the Heaven (Harris)
Postlude: Finale, from *SymphonieVI* (Widor)

November 6

Hymns: 76 (Hanover); Metrical Psalm 9 (Crimond); 520 (Monks Gate); 87 (St. Ann) Prelude: Variations sur un thème de Clément Jannequin (Alain)

Introit: Lux aeterna, from Requiem (Duruflé) Anthem: Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, from *Requiem* (Brahms)

Postlude: Prélude et Fugue sur le nom d'Alain, op. 11 (Duruflé)

November 13

Hymns: 85 (Faithfulness); Metrical Psalm 30 (Caithness); 100 (Was Gott tut); 104 (Michael)

Prelude: Concerto in C "Grosse Mogul", BWV 594 (Bach/Vivaldi)

Introit: Cantate Domino (Monteverdi) Anthem: And I Saw a New Heaven (Bainton) Postlude: Toccata in *G* (Dubois)

November 20

Hymns: 83 (Lobe den Herren); Metrical Psalm 48 (Mit Freuden zart); 234 (King's Weston); 218 (Diademata)

Prelude: Vater unser im Himmelreich, BWV 682 (Bach); Vater unser im Himmelreich (Böhm/Walther)

Introit: Ich freue mich im Herrn (Schein)
Anthem: Jesu, meine Freude, BWV 227 (Bach)
Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in c minor, BWV
546 (Bach)

Mission and Outreach

Today and into the Future



e strive to support those in need in our community at local, national and international levels by offering our time, skills and resources. At The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul Mission and Outreach is active in many ways, both within the doors and

outside in the community. To learn more please contact outreach@standrewstpaul.com

Coffee and Fellowship

This activity takes place following Sunday worship throughout the year and allows the congregation to meet and talk over coffee, juice and snacks. It is also an opportunity to welcome newcomers to our church.

Twinning

Our congregation is twinned with the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry, a shared journey in faith that has taught us much about Indigenous history, culture and spirituality. It has inspired us to reach out to our native brothers and sisters in Montreal.

Urban Charities

Our church supports local charities financially in the important work that they do in the community. Members of the congregation are encouraged to become involved by helping our charities in many ways.

Presbyterian World Service and Development

We support PWS&D, a program of our national church, through fundraising efforts by our church school and through special programs. In addition, the congregation is encouraged to send financial support to various communities during times of special need.

Sponsorship

The church has been active in resettling refugees from Burundi and Syria to Canada and helping them integrate into their new surroundings and communities.

Quiet Garden

Established for our bicentennial in 2003, the Quiet Garden is open to the public as an urban oasis for meditation and prayer, as well as for church events.

Open Church

We open our doors during summer weekdays to welcome visitors, show them our place of worship, and to tell them about our church life, past, present and into the future.



Trafalgar School for Girls

Leadership change

rafalgar School, just up the hill from the church, has important links with our community. The school was founded by members of this church 128 years ago, and four members of the School Advisory Board must come from our congregation as must the Minister. Our friend Geoffrey Dowd has just completed 22 successful years as Principal and has retired with appropriate acknowledgements and accolades.

The new Principal is Ms. Katherine Nikidis, the 11th Principal of Trafalgar School for Girls. Formerly Head of School at Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School (ECS), Ms. Nikidis provided strong leadership and led significant changes in that school's academic and co-curricular programs. She is well-known in educational circles as a visionary educator who is passionate about innovation, girls' education and creating relevant learning experiences and opportunities for girls. Prior to her headship at ECS, Ms. Nikidis was Senior School Director at St. George's School of Montreal, and previously a teacher of science at The Study, and at Wagar High School.

Under her leadership, we eagerly look forward to the continuing links between our two communities. Welcome, Ms. Nikidis!

Send Us Your Ideas for InsideOut

If you have ideas for future issues, please submit them for consideration. If you have a question about your Church and how it works, or if you have a question or comment about the Christian faith, we want to hear about it. Submit your ideas, articles, photos or comments to sue.m.stevenson@gmail.com. Submissions should be no more than 500 words. Digital and scanned photos should be about a 1MB jpg file and should be sent as a separate file.

Church School

It is 'action' all the time!



hurch School continued to be very active and involved in the life of our Congregation through to the completion of the 2015-2016 Program.

In the Service on Palm Sunday, the Church School children and teachers paraded in waving palms. On Church School Celebration Sunday we were treated to a beautiful song performed

by our younger children accompanied by the choir. We are so grateful for the efforts and hard work that Andrew Gray devoted to our children. He will be greatly missed but we wish him well in his future endeavors.

The Music Department however, has not abandoned us! I am excited to report that a Children's Youth Music Conductor will be working with the younger Church School children throughout the year, and a Youth Music Conductor will be working with our senior classes to include them in the music program. We can look forward to some wonderful performances ahead!!

While our senior classes prepared the Easter Morning Sunrise Service, the younger children offered the Spiritual Walk for families to participate in.

On April 10, we had a huge group set out for our Annual Cabane a Sucre at the Sucrerie de la Montagne. What a gorgeous day we enjoyed, as we watched our youngest members dance to the music while we celebrated a 90+ birthday!!! This event has become a favourite outing — a wonderful time of fellowship as members of the Congregation join our Church School for a day of fun and laughter!

On Mothers Day we once again enjoyed the entertainment of many of our children during the Mothers Day Breakfast!! Iain Lamont served up a delicious breakfast once again — I think he has been serving us breakfast for at least 15 years!!! What a blessing he is to our Church School!!

Our final event in June was a very special one!!! We welcomed 10 new Confirmants:

Mia Chan, Vivianne Choquette, Bernice Djaballah, Adelka Felcarek-Hope, Isabelle Goral, Sonia Jacob, Sebbie Johnson, Wellesley McDonald, Julia Rochford, and Gloria Qiu.

We had held a special lunch for these young people and their new Elders before their final class, giving them an opportunity to meet each other. The Elders were then included in the Confirmation Service which was a very special service indeed! Each of the Confirmants processed into the Sanctuary accompanied by their new Elders with their Elders also standing with them during the Confirmation. Following the Service, we had a huge turnout for our

Church School Celebration/Honoring Fathers and Welcoming our new Confirmants! It was a wonderful time of fellowship!!!

In July we held a two-week VBS program and welcomed 37 children. As written in the Youth Group Report — we had 22 of our young people working as counsellors and they did an amazing job!! At the request of one of our parents, we held a third week of VBS in August to accommodate some visitors attending a McGill Conference. It was on a smaller scale however, our Youth Group once again came through and 8 of them worked very hard to make this third VBS week as memorable as the previous two!!! A huge thank you to Trafalgar School for allowing us access to their air conditioned gym on a very hot week!!!!

Upcoming Events: Apple Picking and Pumpkin Ball!!!

We are looking forward to another amazing year ahead as we welcome Glenn, Hannah & Rowan. What a joy to meet this young family—we thank God for bringing them to us and pray that we will make them feel welcome!

Sharon Dworzak Church School Coordinator



The Rev. Dr Kay Diviney with the wonderful group of the Confirmation Class of 2016.



At a Welcome Back Summer Barbeque, there was a special cake to welcome the Chestnutts.



Youth Group

Dedicated Counsellors, Coffee House performers

ur Youth Group after a busy year, completed the 2015-2016 Program preparing and participating in the Easter Morning Sunrise Service and with the help of our ever faithful Iain Lamont hosted a wonderful breakfast in Kildonan Hall after the Service. Turnout for this special Youth Service has grown over the past three years and we look forward to having more Youth oriented services in the coming year.

In April they organized a wonderful Coffee House to raise funds for the children of the Refugee Family being sponsored by the Church. It was an evening of entertainment, mostly provided by our own young people, fellowship, laughter and good will. A huge thank you to all who donated gifts for the raffle and to all who attended in support of the work of our Youth Group.

Twenty-two members of the Youth Group worked tirelessly as counsellors at Vacation Bible School in July and eight of them returned for a third week of VBS in August!

They did a wonderful job as we welcomed 37 children to the first two weeks of VBS and another 14 in August — I have received many emails and letters from parents who were very impressed with the dedication and devotion our young people exhibited throughout their children's VBS experience.

Upcoming events to make in your calendar: September: Welcome Back Lunch / Brainstorming Meeting

October: Youth Group prepared for the Pumpkin Ball

We welcome all young people in Grades 6 through 11, who might like to join this energetic, friendly and fun group - please contact us at 450-689-4379 or email grammy. shani@sympatico.ca

Art and Sharon Dworzak Youth Group Leaders

Leading with Care

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The Church of St Andrew and St Paul subscribes to this policy and maintains it throughout the various programs and ministries of the congregation. Leading with Care has been instituted and will continue to be monitored through a series of church committees, and the Leading with Care Committee which has duties of oversight.

Vacation Bible School 2016







