

# Inside Out

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Summer 2018

### Summer Worship

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 1**

6th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Roland De Vries

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 8**

7th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Dale Woods

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 15**

8th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. J.S.S. Armour

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 22**

9th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 29**

10th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 5**

11th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 12**

12th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 19**

13th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 26**

14th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

15th Sunday after Pentecost, 11:00 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

11.00 a m

The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

11:00 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

11·00 a m

The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt



Fun and Fellowship at an Authentic Cabane à sucre

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### Greetings from the Minister

Finding Time for Rest



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
(Matthew 11:28)

Dear Friends,

ften, while looking for inspiration as I sit at my desk in the minister's room, I look out of the window onto Sherbrooke Street. Warmth and sunlight as well as green foliage has come to Montreal along with the busy festival season! All of us need to find time to rest. Church life at A&P can often be frenetic, but summertime affords a lull as many in our congregation take time for vacation.

Among many questions this text leaves us with is one that is very relevant to us at TheThe Gospels tell us that Jesus often withdrew from the crowds and from the demands of ministry. Sometimes he had his disciples with him, sometimes he was on his own; sometimes he found refuge and refreshment in the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus in Bethany. Interestingly, he did find solace and comfort on boats and on hillsides, pastimes not unknown to Canadians. Rest, withdrawal and refreshment were part of the pattern of Jesus' life and such seasons are certainly no less required by his servants today.

Times of slower pace and longer rhythms are times when we can be spiritually refreshed; times when we can reflect on Christ's presence and when we can be restored in mind, body and spirit, for renewed service and re-engagement with the work of the Lord. These are times we all need.

May you all find time for rest, recreation and refreshment during these summer months!

Your minister and friend, Glenn

### From the Church Registrar

Baptisms

Raphaël E. Robitaille December 24, 2017

**Timothy G. Cabaluna-Philpott** December 24, 2017

**Théo A. Pause** April 29, 2018 Memorials & Funera

**Prof. John W. Durnford** December 12, 2017

**Sandra Wilson**December 22, 2017

**William E. Stavert** January 26, 2018

**Janet Blachford** February 23, 2018

**Thomas "lain" Ronald** February 24, 2018

Margaret McCaig May 30, 2018

**Keith Fernie** June 1, 2018

### Don Walcot

#### Five Years as Clerk of Session at A&P

have been asked to reminisce a bit about my 5 years as Clerk of Session at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. To begin with, it may be helpful for you as the reader to know the responsibilities of a Clerk of Session. According to the Presbyterian rule book, a Clerk of Session manages the agenda and takes minutes at Session meetings. But it also involves a great deal more, such as:

- · organizing the annual meeting,
- helping to set the dates for communion and Session,
- · helping with the nominating committees,
- advising committee chairs on past precedent and management of their committees,
- · organizing search committees for new ministers,
- working with the Interim Moderators and Stated Supplies,
- and attending committee meetings as an ex officio member.

  It is essentially a bureaucratic job, with lots of paper flow, time spent on the computer, searching calendars for dates, talking on the phone, and generally helping to make the church run as smoothly as possible.

During my five years as Clerk of Session, I certainly learned to type faster, but unfortunately did not master all of the intricacies of our ever-changing computer systems and mailing lists that are used at the church. Thankfully, we have a wonderful office staff that was always there to help.

I was fortunate to have the classic and exemplary roles of Mr. Lauri Hutchison and the highly competent Ms. Judy Mowat as predecessors. They proved to be excellent role models and quiet advisors on how to be a Clerk of Session in our church. Their help was invaluable.

I also experienced a somewhat different clerkship as, during my time, the Rev. Jeff Veenstra fell ill and died. I admired Jeff for his vision of our Mission and Open Doors projects. I assisted in the organization of a period of mourning, the arrangement for Stated Supplies (ministers to help preach and lead our worship services) and, with the help of Interim Moderator Dr. Dale Woods, the formation of a committee to search for a new minister. Next, I oversaw the selection of our new minister, the Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt, his induction and introduction to the church. I also arranged for a period of time to allow him get to know our culture and the special peculiarities of A&P. All of this was added to my routine functions.

One of the greatest pleasures of this period was working with the various committees of the church. We have a most creative, ambitious and lively congregation; and, while there was a slight slowdown in church activities after the Rev. Veenstra passed away, there were many new ventures and traditional events to ensure the life of the church continued.

During the last five year, our church school has thrived under the leadership of Sharon and Art Dworzak, our music program has continued to surpass our expectations, and our Outreach



Committee has successfully supported the needs of the Saskatoon Native Ministry and welcomed the Zidan refugee family to Montreal. Our favorite events continued year after year, such as the ever popular Flag Day/Taste of the Nations Service and Reception, The Black Watch Church Parade and Service, and our Remembrance Day Service. We were fortunate to have a dynamic Communications Committee to implement new social media technologies to enhance the promotion of our activities. A&P was also recognized by TripAdvisor as one of the top ten places in Montreal to visit. In addition, a philosophy of leading with care was integrated into our church life and the Guild did a tremendous job looking after the annual Fall Fairs and organizing receptions.

My clerkship was stressful at times, but because I worked with very strong ministerial and committee chairs and a vibrant and vital congregation, our church was able to continue to grow and thrive during this five year period.

Overall, as I step down from this role to make way for our new Clerk of Session, Mr. Michael Cristofaro, I have very happy memories and a sense of satisfaction to have been able to serve as the Clerk of Session from 2013 to 2018. My thanks to all of you who helped to make it so!

Don Walcot, Outgoing Clerk of Session

### A Heartfelt Farewell to The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

Farewell and Best Wishes from the Congregation



Before Kay leaves her position here at A&P, I would like to acknowledge the honour and privilege it has been to know her over these past two years. In the past five years here at A&P she has initiated Taize, been a mentor to Katie, been heavily involved in Presbytery and has led numerous study groups. This is not to mention the day to day work that we have done together as Ministers of Word and Sacrament. You will be missed here, but we know that you will be an asset to any other congregation that you serve.

The Reverend Dr. Glenn Chestnutt, Lead Minister

Dear Kay, We have so much to be grateful for in the time you have spent with us - for the grace and wisdom with which you led us through the difficult times, for your humility and wit, for your generosity of self and spirit, for all the things you brought to our church that enriched us spiritually - the Taizé services, the prayer days, the discussion/study groups, and for the faith and depth of knowledge that you brought to them all. I am saying farewell with great sadness, but also with grateful thanks for all that you gave of yourself these past five years. I wish you well with whatever lies ahead.

With every blessing, Lucinda Lyman, Elder

Dear Kay, Thank you for your many contributions. Always remember the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

Wishing you God's best, Members of The Board of Trustees Thank you, Kay, for carrying us through difficult times. Thank you for your teaching, your humour, your measured wisdom and your beautiful prayers. And thank you for your meditative leadership of the monthly Taizé service. Perhaps not well-known to many but Taizé has been a midweek focal point for me. I will hold in my heart the joy of having worked with you on Taizé and the beautiful music we have offered at Taizé-based prayer events.

Brian Merrett, Elder

Dear Kay, When you were called to our church as our Associate Minister, you had already been a lecturer, a consultant, a flutist and had lived in many areas of our world. You had even written a doctoral dissertation entitled "The Irish Folktale in the Prose Fiction of Padraic Colum". These skills and accomplishments have stood you and us in good stead during your five years with us. You accepted the call to our church based on a job description prepared by the late Rev. Jeff Veenstra; sadly, Jeff's illness prevented you from carrying out that job. Instead you became the acting Lead Minister to a congregation that was struggling to cope with a sad reality; you provided us with leadership, guidance, and a sense of continuity during very difficult times. It cannot have been easy for you to go from newly ordained Minister to acting Lead Minister, particularly when you yourself suffered a serious illness; however, you rose to the occasion and we are most grateful for all you have done to keep us strong and focused on our Christian beliefs and community. As you move forward into a new phase of your life, may God's richest blessings go with you.

Judy Mowat, Elder Dear Kay, I am sure many of us can say that our lives have been enriched knowing you, and that your guidance and support has made a difference in our work and life here at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. I can't thank you enough for providing your feedback and assistance over the last five years as we created our initial plan for our online church presence and for continuing to support our efforts as we rolled new technologies. We will miss you and wish you much happiness and fulfilment as you start a new journey.

Gwen Tracy, Chair, Communications Committee

Dear Kay, I had the pleasure of working closely with you for five years in my role of Clerk of Session. We had such interesting discussions about church business, possible future projects, the literary aspects of your sermons, and just life in general, with lots of laughter. I was so impressed with your sensitivity and efforts to bring spirituality into the church program, and I especially liked the prayer meetings, and Taizé services. Thank you, Kay, for being such a wise and good friend and Teaching elder, to me, and to the church as a whole.

Don Walcot, Outgoing Clerk of Session Dear Kay, We all have so many memories of your 5 years with us at A&P. How can we thank you for all you did and the wonderful memories. You gave your total support to the Guild Executive, which allowed us to enjoy many celebrations with you. We are sad to see you go but wish you God's speed on your continuing journey.

Thea Calder, A&P Guild Executive

Kay's first call, to the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul in Montreal, should have been gentle and gradual, under the guidance of our then dynamic and beloved Lead Minister The Reverend Jeff Veenstra. This was not to be. But how well Kay steered our ship through the unsteady seas for several years! We wish her continued success in her future endeavours.

Frank Philpott, Elder

### A Warm Welcome For Our Refugee Families

A Heartwarming Occasion for All

n Sunday June 3, despite street closures for the Tour de l'Ile and metro shutdowns, the Zidan families were able to join our well-attended 11 a.m. worship service. The Rev. Dr. Chestnutt was starting the announcements when the Narthex doors opened and our families, as if on cue, entered the church. They were warmly greeted in Glenn's message which was translated into Arabic, and the first lesson was also read in Arabic by Ghassan El Koreh.\*

Immediately following the service a large and diverse crowd of approximately one hundred and fifty people gathered to meet the Zidans at a reception in Kildonan Hall. During this heartwarming occasion, a buffet lunch of delicious middle-eastern food was served. The mood in the room was delightfully happy and joyful as people greeted and spent time with the Zidans. Although the families were shy in the beginning, they quickly opened up and radiated happiness about being there as they relaxed in the warmth of the gathering. Their 5-year-old, Hasan, played with other children and the oldest daughter, Lujain, sang a beautiful Syrian song. Later they told us that they felt like movie stars.

This was our church community at its best - sharing and welcoming. It was a very successful and memorable day for everyone. Special thanks go to the members of Sponsorship Core Committee, to the Guild, and to all those who have given so generously of their time, skills and energies, furniture, clothing and money to make the sponsorship and the reception a great successl.

Brian Merrett and Lucinda Lyman, Sponsorship Core Committee

\*To watch the recording of this worship service, please go to our A&P website and click on the June 3 Sunday Morning Worship Service in the calendar or enter the following link to watch it directly on our church YouTube channel: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=It4D9nn6tQc



Our Families - L. to R.: Eyad, Lujain, Fadia, Leen, Hanan, Hala and Hasan (seated)



Sponsorship Core Committee members Jane and Bob Bracewell, Catherine Merklinger, Lucinda Lyman and Thea Calder





Above: Ghassan el-Koreh, Salam Zidan, Kathleen Weil (former Quebec Minister of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion), and Eyad Mousa

Left: Over 150 people enjoyed middle-eastern cuisine at the reception and lunch held for our families



Sponsorship Core Committee chair Brian Merrett welcomes our families

### Music at A&P

Looking Back at the Spring of 2018 and Ahead to this Summer



t the close of a church season, we take a moment to review the year that was, and the summer that lies ahead. The spring of 2018 was another productive time for the church's music ministry. In addition to the usual schedule of Sunday, Taizé and Holy Week services, we had two important special activities.

On Good Friday, April 14 we presented

J. S. Bach's *Mass in B Minor*, BWV 232, one of the greatest compositions in the history of sacred music. The Mass was composed over a long period by Bach, and represents the only time he set the entire Ordinary of the Mass (Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Agnus Dei) in Latin; the customary Lutheran practice of his time used only the Kyrie and Gloria in choral-orchestral settings (the so-called "Missa"), while the Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei were generally sung in German as congregational hymns. Bach later wrote the settings of the Credo, Sanctus, and Agnus, in some cases re-purposing music from earlier cantatas, adapting and perfecting it in the process. Why Bach set out to create such a monumental work that had no obvious liturgical use in his context is not altogether clear, although there are several plausible explanations. One of the most compelling is that Bach, near the end of his life, sought to create a series of landmark works that demonstrated his mastery of every genre current in the compositional practice of his day. Thus we see the four published parts of the Clavierübung, which cover the entire field of possibilities within keyboard repertoire of the period; the Art of Fugue, which displays every possible type of fugue; the Canonic Variations on Vom Himmel hoch, BWV 769 that are an encyclopedia of canonic writing; and the *Mass in B Minor*, that covers every musical form then current in sacred composition (except recitative, though that was addressed thoroughly in the *St. Matthew* and *St. John Passions*).

In Lutheran and Protestant practice, a Mass is not traditionally sung or performed on Good Friday--the usual liturgy for the day is a telling of the Passion story. In many years we have done so at St. Andrew and St. Paul, with either of Bach's better-known Passions, or indeed Handel's *Messiah*. However, in our cosmopolitan, post-modern Montreal context, the universality of Bach's music makes a welcoming statement that affirms our own faith, while opening our doors to the broader community, regardless of creed or language.

The choir, orchestra, soloists and music staff were all stretched to the limits of our ability in trying to do justice to a work of such perfection and surpassing beauty. The church was filled to capacity, with an unusually quiet and attentive spirit. Moreover, performing such a work within a service of worship on the most solemn day of the church year adds a weight and significance to the experience that no concert performance could ever match.

Our activities did not stop there: on April 28, May 10, 11, 12 and 14, we teamed up with Johanne Goyette of **ATMA Classique**, one of Quebec's two leading classical recording labels, to

record the Requiems of Gabriel Fauré and Maurice Duruflé. Our guest soloists included baritone Philippe Sly (an alum of the choir), mezzo-soprano Julie Boulianne, cellist Elinor Frey (our Artist-in-Residence two years ago), and Les Petits Chanteurs du Mont-Royal (directed by Andrew Gray, one of our previous Assistant Conductors). Both works are classics, and have been in the repertoire of the choir for many years. While written within forty years of each other in France, they have vastly different characters. The Fauré (originally written between 1887 and 1890) is intimate, personal, sumptuous chamber music of the fin-desiècle, and rarely rises to a dramatic peak. The vision of death, resurrection and redemption is rather elegantly muted, though the melodies and harmonies are exquisite. The Duruflé, written during and after WWII, is a completely different matter: it embodies the angst of the time, and while meticulously crafted by Duruflé, marries the incongruous musical influences of the Gregorian chant revival, neo-classicism (think Stravinsky); Impressionism (Debussy); and the dying embers of the great French symphonists, whose world had been shattered by the successive devastations of WWI, the Depression, Fascism, and WWII.

Many hours of intense concentration were spent recording, listening back, editing (special kudos to Conductor **Jean-Sébastien Vallée** for his work on this), proofing, writing texts, sourcing photographs, etc., and we are very much looking forward to the CD's projected release in Autumn 2018.

Looking ahead, on **June 17** we welcome the **Choir of Second Presbyterian Church**, Little Rock, AR (Bevan Keating, Conductor) as our guest ensemble in worship; and on **June 24**, we welcome the Massachusetts-based **Qunicy Choral Society** (Joshua Rohde, Conductor). Our own choir will thus enjoy two richly-deserved weeks' leave, following an intense term.

Our summer **Organ Intermezzi** series begins on **July 5 at 12:15 p.m.**, with a programme commemorating the 100th anniversary of the close of WWI, played by Director of Music **Jonathan Oldengarm**. The programme features several memorial pieces, and also popular arrangements of wartime and patriotic songs. On the rest of the Thursdays in July and August we welcome organists from across Canada, the U.S. and Europe to the bench of our mighty, 7,000-pipe Casavant organ, one of the finest and largest examples of the Anglo-American orchestral style of organ building in the country. The final concert of the series, played by Jonathan Oldengarm on August 30, will feature an unusual programme played only on the footpedals! Your freewill donations support the church's music ministry.

Jonathan Oldengarm, Director of Music

### **A&P Summer Music List**



June 3
Prelude: Benedictus,
from Sonata Britannica (Stanford)
Introit: Beati quorum
via (Stanford)
Anthem: Ye Choirs
of New Jerusalem

(Stanford)

Postlude: Finale, from *Sonata Britannica* (Stanford)

#### June 10

Church School Children sing in service: Abraham's Faith (Woodard) Prelude: O Gott, du frommer Gott, BWV 767 (Bach)

Introit: Exsultate justi (Viadana)
Anthem: Behold, the tabernacle of God (Harris)
Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in C minor,
BWV 549 (Bach)

#### June 17

Guest choir from Second Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, AR (Bevan Keating, director) Prelude: Second Presbyterian Choir selections

Introit, Anthem and Postlude: tbd

#### June 24

Guest Choir (Quincy Choral Society)
Prelude: Quincy Choral Society selections
Introit: For the beauty of the earth (Rutter)
Anthem: Like as the Hart (Howells)
Postlude: Toccata in C major, BWV 564/2
(Bach)

#### July 1

Featuring Canadian music
Prelude: 2nd mvt., Organ Sonata no. 2
(Healey)
Introit: Christ, whose glory fills the skies

(Bissell)

Anthem: Weave for us a garment (Owolabi)
Postlude: Concert Overture (Reed)

#### July 8

Prelude: Sicilienne, from Suite, op. 5 (Duruflé) Introit: Notre Père (Duruflé) Anthem: Cantique de Jean Racine (Fauré) Postlude: Grand Triumphal Chorus in A (Guilmant)

#### July 15

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue in G major, op. 37/2 (Mendelssohn)
Introit: Sicut cervus (Palestrina)
Anthem: Verleih uns Frieden (Mendelssohn)
Postlude: Finale, from *Sonata no. 3* (Rheinberger)

#### July 22

Prelude: Psalm Preludes, Set 1 nos. 1 & 2 (Howells) Introit: Cantate Domino (Pitoni)

Anthem: My eyes for beauty pine (Howells)

Postlude: Pièce héroïque (Franck)

#### July 29

Prelude: Preludes on *Bryn Calfaria* and *Rhosymedre* (Vaughan Williams)
Introit: Jesu, dulcis memoria (Victoria)
Anthem: Jubilate Deo in C (Stanford)
Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in B Major, Op. 7, no. 1 (Dupré)

#### August 5

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue in c minor, op. 37 no. 1 (Mendelssohn)
Introit: Come, Holy Ghost (Attwood)
Anthem: Psalm 121 (Kodaly)
Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in G Major,
BWV 541 (J.S. Bach)

#### August 12

Prelude: Five Spirituals (Warner) Introit: Ave Maria (Dett) Anthem: Praise to God in the highest (Campbell)

Postlude: Dance (Owolabi)

#### August 19

Prelude: Psalm Prelude, Set 1, no. 3 (Howells) Introit: Rise up, my love (Willan) Anthem: Ave verum (Mozart) Postlude: Epilogue (Willan)

#### August 26

Prelude: Three Impressions (Whitlock)
Introit: Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to
face (Whitlock)
Anthom: Come down, O love divine (Harri

Anthem: Come down, O love divine (Harris) Postlude: Fanfare (Whitlock)

### September 2

Introit: Like as the Hart (Howells)
Anthem: He, watching over Israel (Mendelssohn)
Postlude: Con moto maestoso, from *Sonata* 

Prelude: Psalm Prelude, Set 2 no. 2 (Howells)

III (Mendelssohn)

## Organ Intermezzi 2018 Thursdays at 12:15 p.m.

Your freewill donations support the church's music ministry.

Jonathan Oldengarm (Montreal)	July 5, 2018
Julien Girard (France/Montreal)	July 12, 2018
Denis Gagné (Montreal)	July 19, 2018
William Maddox (Toronto)	July 26, 2018
Kai Krakenberg (Germany)	August 2, 2018
Kurt-Ludwig Forg (Germany)	August 9, 2018
Helen Tucker (Montréal)	August 16, 2018
Tom Sheehan (Boston)	August 23, 2018
Jonathan Oldengarm (Montreal)	August 30, 2018

Above left and right: Donna George and Sandra Prior busy delivering the tiered platters to the tables for High Tea.

Left: Thea Calder









Above left: Beverley Hutchison Above: Jean Shettler Left: Anne Luckow, Denise Lord and Sandra Sinclair enjoying tea at the Guild AGM

## High Tea at A&P The Guild's AGM

he Annual General Meeting of the Guild was held in Kildonan Hall on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at noon. The "High Tea" event was very popular with almost 80 people in attendance. The tables looked magnificent with silver tea services, decorative tea cups and saucers, flowers and candle light for ambience. Assorted fancy sandwiches, desserts and scones were served on tiered platters accompanied by whipped cream and strawberry jam. What a treat!

Members of the Guild Executive gave their reports of the past year. After the luncheon Edna Ralston and Betty-Jo Christiani introduced the guest speakers, Ann Maher, Executive Director of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Homes Foundation and Katie MacIntosh, Student Minister.

Ann Maher outlined the Foundation's excellent "Caring in Action" Senior's Support Program offered to Presbyterian Seniors. It was wonderful to hear tributes from some seniors who have benefited from the services offered by the Service Care Providers. Information pamphlets were distributed outlining the program. What an amazing resource to have available without cost.

Katie MacIntosh followed with a slide presentation and description of her Ministry trip. She shared stories about the rich ministry going on in Cuba; it is an imaginative ministry in a Communist country with limited resources.

An event like this one does not happen without a lot of planning and help from many volunteers. The Berlis Fund provided taxi transportation for five seniors who would not have been able to attend without it. The support from the Ministry Committee was very much appreciated. A special thank you goes out to the many volunteers who helped make this event a success from start to finish.

### Congregational Dinner Coming up in October

Watch for the Date!



The Guild is planning a congregational dinner in Kildonan Hall during the week of October 15. The special guest speaker will be Viveka Melki, the curator of the War Flowers Exhibit which will be on display at the Chateau

Ramezay Museum in November. The exhibit will showcase dried flowers plucked from the gardens and fields around Europe. These flowers were mailed by her grandfather, Lieutenant-Colonel George Stephen Cantlie to former church member Elspeth Angus' grandmother and her infant daughter, Celia while he was fighting overseas in World War 1. The collection is composed of ten specially selected letters and flowers. The red poppy of this collection is believed to have been picked in Flanders Fields. We will arrange for a special booked tour of the exhibit at the Chateau Ramezay in mid-November for those who are interested. The exhibition examines human nature in wartime.

The congregational dinner will tied in with a special Vesper Service of Remembrance and Celebration which is also being planned for October 20. The service will commemorate the 100th anniversary of World War 1 and the 100th anniversary of the first service of the combined congregations of St. Andrew and St. Paul Churches.

Please watch for more information in upcoming Sunday bulletins.

Betty-Jo Cristiani, President of The Guild

# From the Communications Committee

Better Connected!

In February, the Audio Visual (AV) Team made the transition from Livestream to YouTube. This brought an exciting number of improvements to our live broadcasts and recordings such as better video quality, faster content access, and more convenient management features. Now that our videos are stored on YouTube, all of the media associated with the church and partner organizations that we upload will be much more accessible via search engines, which will increase our online presence. The previous videos on Livestream have been archived, and will be made available over time. All of our new videos will be directly embedded in our website so they are easier to find. We have also upgraded the video camera to improve the video quality.

To see the live broadcasts of our Sunday Morning Worship Services, please click on the Live Broadcast section of the Home Page of our A&P website. Previous recordings of services for May and June can be found in the Sunday Morning Worship Service calendar events. Go to the Calendar button at the bottom of the Home Page and select the date of the recording your wish to view.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions. Please contact us at <a href="mailto:communications@standrewstpaul.com">communications@standrewstpaul.com</a>.

Johnty Wang and Stratsi Dimitov Communications Committee



### The World Comes to A&P

Open Church Tours - Summer Season Starts June 26

s the ice left our streets, more and more people found their way to the splendor of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. Even during the cold days of January and February, there were many visitors from beyond our shores. Over the last several months, the world has passed through our doors - from Japan , Iran, Qatar, Spain, Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Australia, Iceland, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Algeria, the United States, Mexico, Brazil, Canada, the province of Quebec and of course Montreal. These are just the ones that I remember!

Almost all have been in awe of the beauty and spiritual peace of our sanctuary and many expressed a desire to return and indeed several did.

We will be opening for the summer on Tuesday, June 26th and based on the interest that has already been shown, we should have a very busy summer and might even surpass the 5200 visitors we had last year. Fortunately, the two guides from last year are with us again and will continue to welcome visitors with warmth and friendliness. Louis Bucket, who is studying biology at Concordia, will mark

his third year working here. The other guide is Alexandre Sheasby, who plays violin during his breaks in the church sanctuary and will be going to study neuroscience at the University of Montreal.

These last several years running this outreach program has been a wonderful experience and has proven beyond a doubt that the church needs to open the doors as much as possible.

Don Kelly Open Church Program Leader

### Downsizing, Moving or Seasonal Cleaning?

Donate Your Items to the Fall Fair

The nicer weather has finally arrived, and if you find you have items to give away, what better way to do that than to donate them to the church Fall Fair. The fair is a venerable institution of A&P church life and 2018 will mark the 84th year of this annual event. Every year the money raised helps worthy charities and projects. Last year over \$ 23,000 was raised, which was a phenomenal achievement! This year we're aiming for even more, so we look forward to your donations! We accept most items that are in good condition with the exception of clothing, which from past experience doesn't sell well at our fair.

It is also that time of year to think about making preserves for the ever popular preserves table. In addition, if you are a talented baker, there is a table dedicated to home baked goodies, which can be brought to the church closer to the date of the fair.

This year, the fair will take place on Nov 3rd from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Donations are welcome any time between now and then. Please leave your items at the church office or contact one of our convenors who can make arrangements to collect them.

This year's co-convenors are Michael Neil & Jeanette Kelly. Their contact information is available in the church directory or you can send them an email at <a href="mailto:fallfair@standrewstpaul.com">fallfair@standrewstpaul.com</a>. You can also make enquiries at the church office.

A cast of over a hundred dedicated volunteers help make this event a success every year but we could always use more help. If you fancy getting involved, please contact one of our convenors. Each convenor's contact information is available in the church directory or enquiries can be made at the church office. This year's list of table convenors is as follows:

**Trifles**: Adrian Owens **Jewellery**: Ann Owens

Treasures: Thea Calder and Judith Kashul

Children's Boutique: Jean Shettler

Books: Roberta Bolton

Christmas Boutique: Margarita Medina-

Ibanez

Linens & Lace: Katie Kinnear Asian Delights: Siska Chen

**Bottle Shop**: Janet Faith & Tara Wilkie **Plum Puddings**: Betty-Jo Christiani **Jams. Jellies, Preserves**: Joan Blair **Luncheon**: Jain Lamont/Diane Aikens

See you all there!

Michael Neil & Jeanette Kelly, Fall Fair Conveners









### Introducing the Board of Trustees

Getting to Know Us and How We Serve You

"t's not often that the Board of Trustees ("the Board") communicates directly with the congregation, so when approached by *InsideOut*, we welcomed this opportunity. King Solomon once wrote: "Reliable communication permits progress." Proverbs 13:17(b) ESV. Reliable communication indeed starts with you learning more about us, our purpose, and how we serve you behind the scenes. We hope to use this medium in the future to continue this discourse.

The Board of Trustees is a team of 12 men and women of different ages, diverse Christian traditions, varying educational experiences, industries, and ethnicities. We are members or adherents, and the church's bylaws require the participation of at least three Elders, which is in fact, what we have. Each board member was nominated by a committee and subsequently confirmed by the congregation. Board members serve three year terms that can be renewed. The Board has four subcommittees: Investment, Stewardship, Property, and Administration. As well, individual Board members sit on committees of the Kirk session.

Our purpose is to manage, protect, grow, and sustain the financial viability of the church. The bylaws state in part: "the Board of Trustees shall administer the temporal affairs of the congregation, including the care of all congregation property." In order to fulfill our mission, we meet once a month to consolidate the many hours of work that is done by e-mail, telephone, or in small groups between meetings.

The forefathers of St. Andrew and St. Paul formed this organization as a legal entity distinguishable from a typical church -- it is also a corporation. As trustees of a corporation, each Board member has the duty of care, and the duty of loyalty. In short, whether it's the Canada Business Corporations Act, the

Business Corporations Act (Quebec), or the Civil Code of Québec, a trustee must act honestly, in good faith, and in the best interest of the corporation. Under the law, a trustee has a duty to safeguard and pursue solely the interests of the corporation (in this case the church).

It's also important to note that unlike typical corporations, we don't have decision-making authority over the overall agenda or programmatic elements of the church. That is to say that the Board does not determine what we should do or stand for as a church. The spiritual agenda and missional elements fall within the responsibility of the church Elders - the Kirk Session, the governing body of A&P. In contrast, the Board determines the financial pragmatism and/or affordability of the same in the context of the church's mission. It is through prayer, continual communication, the desire to maintain cohesion, and ultimately love for God and His people, that the two entities work together to build and maintain this Christian community that we call our church home.

Finally, we want you to know that we are available to you. None of the above happens without your prayers and financial support. We want to be a Board that demonstrates the correct balance of discretion, transparency, wise stewardship, and spiritual sensitivity. This is God's church and your community. We are simply servant-leaders, striving to make consistently righteous decisions. Don't ever hesitate to contact us, or even reach out and encourage us, now that you know who we are. The Board of Trustee members are listed in the church directory. Please note that Mr. Robert Ayers joined the Board of Trustees after the directory was published.

Jay Hewlin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

#### Recent Awards & Honours

**Bruce Bolton** was chosen as "Scotsman of the Year".

Luca Cristofaro is now a member of the Black Watch Pipe Band.

**Katie MacIntosh**, our In-Ministry year student, received the Hilton Carter Prize in Education and was awarded the Master of Divinity and Diploma of the Presbyterian College upon completion of her studies.

**Edythe Arnott**, who is currently studying at the Presbyterian College, was awarded the John McBride Prize in Old Testament and the Duncan Gordon Prize in Greek.

Clara Maranzano, who is also studying at the Presbyterian College was awarded the Kydd Prize for Excellence in Master of Divinity 2.

Several members of our congregation are Governors of the College - Sharon Dworzak, Jay Hewlin, Thomas Park, and Joan Vogelesang. In addition, Don Walcot has just retired after 13 years as a Governor, the last few years as Chair.

Michael Cristofaro, was honoured at Westmount High School. A plaque will be displayed in the high school's new auditorium with the following text:

This Auditorium is dedicated to Michael Cristofaro, Principal of Westmount High School from 2007-2018. He was no ordinary principal. He inspired his colleagues and teachers in their professional lives, and this translated to students receiving an excellent education. Students and staff members alike were blessed to have him "at the helm." "Whatever you do...

Do it with integrity.

Do it with conviction in what you believe is right.

Do it with passion.

Do it to the benefit of others, and finally... Do it with humility."

-Michael Cristofaro

### Youth Group

Active in So Many Areas of Church and Community Life





Clockwise from top left: Easter morning SONrise Service, Coldest Night Fundraiser, Youth Retreat, and Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser





ur Youth Group continues to grow and, since the last issue of *Inside-Out*, has been active in so many areas of our church and community life.

They were a huge help throughout the Christmas Pageant preparations and took on more behind-the-scenes responsibilities than ever before. They also assisted with the Family Christmas Dinner, Family Reception and not only participated in the readings during the Family Christmas Eve Service, but also guided and encouraged our younger readers.

Thirty young people, including 5 youth from St. Columba, attended the Annual Youth Retreat from January 12 to 14 at Villa St. Martin. It was a wonderful time of fun and fellowship with great weather, so cross-country skiing was possible! The theme this year was "Discovering Your Dependable Strengths" – based on the workshop attended by Art, Sharon, Thomas and Maygan as well as Sarah Dupont, a youth leader from St. Columba, who all led the groups over the weekend.

In February, our Youth Group did a tremendous job participating in the "Coldest Night of the Year" walk for the homeless. These devoted young people not only raised \$4,400, they also took it upon themselves to pass out Tim Hortons gift cards and their woolen toques, mitts and jackets to the homeless people they encountered along the route. They are indeed a thoughtful and caring group of young people!

Once again, our Youth Group prepared and presented the wonderful Easter Morning "Son"Rise Service. This year they invited the Church School to participate with them. All the readings and prayers were done by our youth and a part of the Easter story was enacted to create a very special service representing the true meaning of Easter.

Our Youth Group are currently very involved in the preparations for **Vacation Bible School** and most of the group will be counsellors again this summer. They are very enthusiastic and looking forward

to greeting children who are returning and many who are registered for the first time.

On Friday, June 15, many of the Youth Group will once again be participating in the **Canadian Cancer Relay for Life** with the hope, that the money raised for research will result in the eventual eradication of this devastating disease.

We would like to thank all of you for your continued care and support of our young people – with your prayers, your interest and your generosity when asked to contribute to their fundraising efforts.

In the next issue we will be highlighting a number of our young people and their very impressive accomplishments – Tiana Beaulieu, Adelka Felcarek-Hope and Ainsley McMurray. Stay tuned!!!

Respectfully submitted, Sharon & Art Dworzak Youth Leaders

### Church School

#### So Many Activities and More to Come



Santa comes to A&P

ur Church School has been very busy since our last publication and there is much to report on. I will touch on many of the wonderful highlighted activities we have enjoyed, as well as more events coming up over the summer months through to September.

In the last issue of *InsideOut*, we were in the midst of Christmas preparations, which included the Annual Christmas Pageant, family participation in the Advent Services as well as the Family Christmas Eve Service. Once again, under the direction of Michael Cristofaro, the hard work of the Music Department, so many wonderful volunteers and of course our amazing children, another spectacular **Christmas Pageant** was produced. After the Pageant we welcomed over 200 guests to the **Family Christmas Dinner**, hosted by the Church School.

The Church School's continued participation in the celebration of Christmas, included four Church School families chosen to light the **Advent Candles** during our Advent Services, and the preparation and our participation in the **Family Christmas Eve Service**, which has become a very popular service with attendance growing every year. This service was led by our

young people with readers ranging in age from 5 to 18. All other children attending were invited to join us to decorate the Christmas tree with decorations symbolic of the Christmas story. The children were delighted with this activity and enjoyed singing Happy Birthday to Jesus with birthday cupcakes treats at the end of the Service!

2018 began with another successful **Youth Retreat.** Details about this activity can be found in the Youth Report.

Art and I attended the APCE (Assoc. of Presbyterian Christian Educators) Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. Each of us participated in various workshops related to children and youth leadership, Church School curriculums and faith building. This year much of the focus was on millennials and our responsibilities as leaders to provide programs and a feeling of "belonging" for them in our congregation.

As we approached **Easter**, Zacy, Heather and Jonathan began preparing the children to sing during the **Palm Sunday** worship service. After parading in while waving their palms, our Church School did a wonderful job singing for the congregation. They were invited to join the Youth Group in the **Easter Morning "Sun" Rise Service**. Details about this service can be found in the Youth Report.

On April 22, two buses headed off with over 90 of our Church School students and members of our congregation to attend our Annual Cabane à Sucre at the Sucrerie de la Montagne. It was a beautiful, sunny, warm day and we all had an opportunity to stroll around this lovely venue while enjoying a special time of fellowship together.

Mother's Day was once again a special time for our Church School family. After a delicious **Mother's Day Breakfast** prepared by our every faithful Iain Lamont, some of our children shared their musical talents with our guests. After breakfast, under the direction of Jonathan, Zacy & Heather, the children sang another beautiful song for the congregation and then handed carnations to their mothers,

grandmothers and other special women in their lives.

Throughout the past few months our Church School has been working on a special PWS&D Project which includes purchasing a cow, mosquito nets, nursing bags and a bicycle for a health worker who helps those less fortunate in Africa. Their fundraising to date has included a "Nickle Back" campaign and a Bowl-A-Thon. Due to the generosity of our congregation, they have well exceeded their goal of \$1,000. At last count they were up to approximately \$1,600, so they will be adding to their "shopping list"!! Our grand total will be announced in the next issue of *InsideOut*.

Finally, our Church School sang once again for the **Church School Celebration and Honoring Fathers** event which welcomed over 100 people. During the lunch, the Youth Group joined the children to sing a VBS Song which was enjoyed by all!

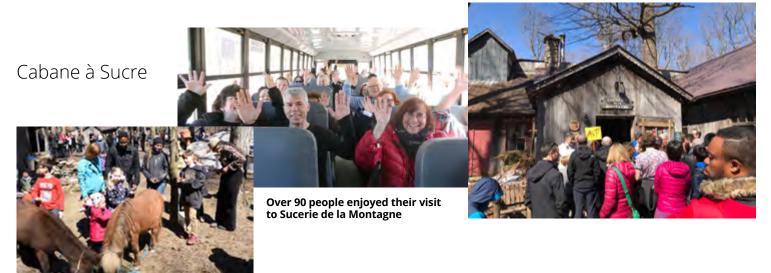
#### Dates to note: July 9 – 20: Vacation Bible School September 9: Welcome Back Sunday

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have contributed to the success of our Church School program – parents for encouraging their children to attend and participate, our amazing devoted teachers and volunteers, our ministers for their support, our Music Department for their devotion and hard work and the congregation who continue to support us in so many wonderful ways. I feel blessed and truly privileged to be a part of this wonderful department of the A&P.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Dworzak, Church School Coordinator

### Winter/Spring Church School & Youth Group







Mother's Day Breakfast

Celebrating mothers, grandmothers and other special women