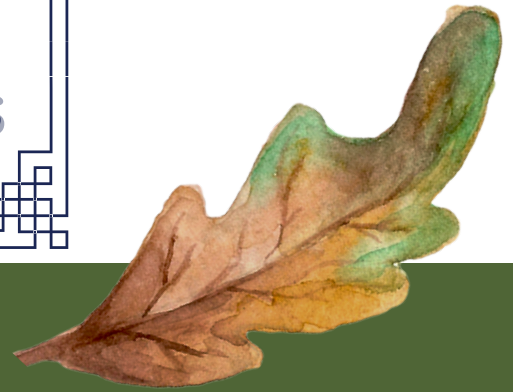


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Parable of the Pastor

In last week's Parable to the Pastor article, I described the important work of helping St. Andrew's look into the mirror and how we see St. Andrew's moving forward (toward the goal of calling a permanent pastor in the coming year. I said, "There will be a question or two in TWASA over the coming weeks. I ask that you write or copy the question and ponder it? Then after you have thought, prayed, or talked with another or two about it...call and tell me what you think."

The questions last week unfortunately received only two replies. So, this week, I call us to prayer and prayer in earnest for St. Andrew's, for our congregation and its future. And then the question: even if you don't respond to me, whatever you do ... pray.

The question:

For what do you pray for St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Victoria?

Praying for God's peace and hope. Pastor Mitch

[Click here](#) to submit an answer to this question.



Thanksgiving Bulletin Board Project

Thanksgiving! What does it mean to each of us?

Each year we set aside one day to be thankful but even in these trying times we have much to be thankful for and one day just doesn't seem to be enough.

For all of October, tell us what you're thankful for - maybe it's a small thing - maybe it's big. We have been blessed in many ways!

Send an email to the office, or jot it down and drop it into the boxes at the church or hall.

When you come for Sunday service check out hymn # 338 "Let all things now living". The words and message are inspiring!

Reservations for Sunday

While Ardath and Whitney are both away, there will be no registration for the Sunday service over the next two weeks. A big thank you goes out to Ardath, our registration volunteer, who helps us each week with this task!

Office Closed Next Week

There will be no TWASA, Friday email or bible study video on the week of October 18th while Whitney has a holiday week. You will still be able to attend the Sunday service in person or by livestream. the livestream channel can be found [here](#).

If you haven't watched the weekly study videos, this might be an opportunity to see some like our Thanksgiving video [here](#).

If you need to contact someone at the church, please contact Pastor Mitch or a church elder.

Easy Thanksgiving Leftover Casserole

- 4 cups stuffing
- 3 to 4 cups cooked turkey or chicken, coarsely chopped
- 1 apple, peeled and coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup cranberry sauce
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese or slices of brie

Add stuffing, poultry and apple to a greased, 8 inch baking pan. Mix cranberry sauce and mayo in a bowl and spread over the stuffing mixture. Top with mild cheese. Bake at 375 degrees for 30 to 40 minutes. Serve with salad for an easy autumn meal!



Halloween Concert

The Victoria Chapter of the Royal Canadian College of Organists will hold a Halloween concert on October 30th in the St. Andrew's Sanctuary. The concert is at 3:00 pm.

Admission is by donation.

You are invited to come in costume to enjoy some spooky and impressive organ performances!



All necessary Covid protocols will be followed such as masks, distancing and checking for proof of vaccination



[Click here](#) for a message on "Giving Thanks" from the Moderator of General Assembly.

"For what do we have to be thankful for during the fourth wave of the pandemic?

Here is a partial list:

For health and strength and daily food
For a public health-care system that doesn't always get it right but is working hard to ensure we are all safe.
For scientific research that has developed vaccines.
For the love of families, friends and congregations.
For God's protection, care and presence."

Read From Your Bible This Week

- Job 38:1-7, (34-41)
- Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
- Hebrews 5:1-10
- Mark 10:35-45

