

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S




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Open Church: Sanctuary
Wednesdays at 12:00 - 1:30 pm
Cancelled until October 15!

Meditation Hour: Sanctuary
Wednesdays at 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Cancelled until October 15!


Activity Group: The Gathering Room
Thursdays at 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Cancelled Thursday October 23 and 30th!

Worship Service: Sanctuary
Sundays at 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

 **THE LINK:** Contribute to St. Andrew's monthly newsletter! The deadline for submissions is the last Sunday of every month. To contact the editor, or to submit your contributions, please email: thelink@standrewsvictoria.ca.

Announcements





 **MUSTARD SEED FUNDRAISER:** Help feed hungry families in Victoria! Give generously to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church's fundraiser in support of the [Mustard Seed Street Church's](#) food bank this fall.


→ **CASH:** Please put your cash or cheques in the donation envelope available at our Sunday services and remember to label


the envelope as 'Mustard Seed'.

→ **E-TRANSFER:** Please send your e-transfer donations to treasurer@standrewsvictoria.ca and remember to include 'Mustard Seed' in the description.

 **MUSIC OUTREACH GUITAR RECITAL:** Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Sunday, November 23 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary. An afternoon of music from guitar students from the studio of Simon Fairintosh at the UVic School of Music. Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.

 **MUSIC OUTREACH CELLO RECITAL:** Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Sunday, November 30 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary. An afternoon of music from cello students from the studio of Pam Highbaugh-Aloni at the UVic School of Music. Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.

 **MUSIC OUTREACH VIOLIN RECITAL:** Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Saturday December 6 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary. An afternoon of music from violin students from the studio of Ann Elliott-Goldschmid at the UVic School of Music. Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.

 **THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC:** Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Thursday December 11 at 12:00 pm in the Sanctuary. An afternoon of seasonal choral and instrumental music, as well as sing-along Christmas hymns! Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.

 **ANNUAL RECOVERY CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Presented by St. Andrew's and the Recovery Christmas Dinner Committee on Thursday December 25 at 12:00 - 2:00 pm in the Kirk Hall. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a free buffet style Turkey dinner at St. Andrew's Kirk Hall. Email recoverychristmasdinner@gmail.com for more information about the event.

Community Events

TREASURE TROVE CONCERT: Presented by the Early Music Society of the Islands on Saturday, October 25 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Victoria's local medieval ensemble 'Bourbons' will bring interpretations of songs from the Cantigas de Santa Maria to the stage, employing voice and the exotic sounds of medieval period instruments. For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

JANE SIBERRY CD RELEASE CONCERT: Presented by Beacon Ridge Productions on Saturday, November 22 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Iconic and enigmatic, Jane Siberry is one of music's most unique and gifted singer-songwriters. For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

TEA FOR TUTU - THE GIFT OF THE NUTCRACKER: Presented by Ballet Victoria, November 25, 26, 27 at 2:00 pm in the Kirk Hall. Meet the dancers, enjoy a 45 minute performance, experience the theatre, and enjoy light refreshments after the show! Reserve your FREE seats by email (tea4tutu@balletvictoria.ca) or phone (250-380-6063).

YULE CONCERT: Presented by the Early Music Society of the Islands on Sunday, December 7 at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary. 'Catalina Vicens, on organetto, will join the voices of 'Trio Mediæval' for a program of Scandinavian traditional Christmas folk songs and hymns, English medieval Carols, and two contemporary works! For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

WINTER CONCERT: Presented by Ensemble Laude on Sunday, December 21 at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Go [HERE](#) for more information as it becomes available.

A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS IN WALES: Presented by Vox Humana on Wednesday, December 24 at 2:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Go [HERE](#) for more information as it becomes available.



Soap for Hope

Look under your sink. Do you have a hygiene product that doesn't work for you? Stop! Don't throw it away. [Soap for Hope](#) can repurpose it to help vulnerable people.

Join them in their repurposing journey by donating your extra hygiene products. At Soap for Hope's warehouse, they sort, squeeze, fill, wash, and pack these repurposed items before delivering them to Community Facilities that serve vulnerable people. Let's end hygiene poverty together!

DONATIONS ACCEPTED:

New or Gently Used

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Body Lotion

New or Unused

- Deodorants *
- Toothbrushes *
- Toothpaste *
- Incontinence Products *
- Feminine Products
- Lip Balm
- Razors
- Brushes/Combs

*Most needed

You can drop off your donations in the bin outside St. Andrew's office at any time until the New Year! Shannon will transport them to Soap for Hope's warehouse. Thank you for your support!