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A LIFE OF FAITH

St. Andrew's Newsletter

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

"The Men of St. Andrew's held their monthly breakfast March 9th with a delicious breakfast and great fellowship. Their next breakfast will be on, **Saturday, April 27th** in our church auditorium.

All men, all ages are WELCOME"

The Benefits of composting are many!

- ✓ Acts as a fertilizer improving plant growth
- ✓ Improves soil properties
- ✓ Saves money by reducing chemical fertilizers
- ✓ Increases water holding capacity

Easter is the only time of year when it is safe to put all your eggs in one basket!



GREEN TEAM *Composting Workshop*

Our presenter was Jen Neufeld an Educator, Permaculture Designer, Soil Health Advocate and Community Builder from Strathmore, AB. She covered several types of composting including static composting, hot/thermophilic composting, and vermicomposting.

The workshop was well attended with 46 participants. Door prizes were abundant with donations from several local community businesses. Evaluations were positive.



Did you know that food waste has a significant carbon footprint by producing methane gas? According to one source “methane is 86 times more potent than carbon dioxide and is responsible for 25% of climate change”.

**WE RETROFITTED
THIS SPACE WITH
A  FAITHFUL
FOOTPRINTS GRANT!**

We are doing our part to address climate change, renew our community of faith, and help reduce the United Church's carbon emission 80% by 2030.

Program of:  The United Church of Canada
Delivered by:  Faith & the Common Good

Learn more at www.faithfulfootprints.org





GREEN TEAM

Faithful Footprints Grant

Our major milestone has been accomplished! We received the Faithful Footprints Grant and replaced 120 fixtures throughout the building with LEDs; replaced electrical wiring; set up 2 pre-installed HVAC units; installed blown-in insulation in attics; replaced 16 windows in the hall with triple pane windows; replaced 3 outside doors; replaced thermostats; installed insulation on inside walls of the entire building - covering the cement block and brick.



**PROUD PARTICIPANT
OF THE FAITHFUL FOOTPRINTS PROGRAM**

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Just in time for our 100-year, United Church of Canada Anniversary and 115 years of our St. Andrew's Church building.

We need everyone to participate to make our new pictorial directory complete.

BENEFITS

- Connects names with faces
- Lasting keepsake to share with future generations
- Valuable communications reference for our members
- Excellent outreach tool

Photos will be taken by IPC who have been doing this for 75 years.

Dates of photo sittings are:

May 9, 2:30 to 8:30

May 10, 2:30 to 8:30

May 11, 9:30 to 3:00

Appointments are made during coffee time after Sunday's service throughout April. Or you may receive a phone call from one of the Photo Directory committee members. Volunteers still needed.

We are also looking for group photos. Each group may send their photo to:
tillygysberta@yahoo.ca

For more information contact Tilly or Geke.

NEW 2025 PHOTO DIRECTORY

Congregational Photos

**Each Photographed Family
Receives a FREE DIRECTORY
All Photography & Viewing Is Done
In One Convenient Appointment
At Our Church**



IPC Canada's "Digital Photography Experience" provides your family with a professional studio atmosphere in which to be photographed.

Tips on preparing for your portrait session:

- ✓ A rich, colour co-ordinated wardrobe will complement your portraits
- ✓ Wearing long sleeves will re-direct the attention to your face
- ✓ Always dress for a full length portrait
- ✓ Your hair and grooming are an important part of photography
- ✓ Pets are welcome (with church approval)



At the time of viewing, IPC Canada's friendly and knowledgeable Portrait Consultant will assist you to custom design a portrait package to meet your needs and budget. An adult family member must select the directory pose. Portrait session is approximately 30-45 minutes.



EASTER EGG HUNT!

We will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt on Monday, April 1, 10AM - 12PM! ALL AGES ARE WELCOME! There will be a hunt, games, snacks, coffee, and fellowship! Hope you HOP on by!



COMING UP...

Easter Service

Our Easter Sunday Service will be Sunday, March 31 at 10:30 AM. Hope to see you here or online.



Friends Of Guatemala Fundraiser

Friends of Guatemala will be holding a fundraising variety concert featuring the Wildrose Yodel Club, Ray Baird, and Poplar & 51st. Tickets are \$20 available through the office, the concert will be held **Saturday, April 6 at 7:00 PM.**

