

The Church of St. Andrew, Scarborough

THE NETWORK

Thanksgiving Edition - September 2010

A Word from Heather

As the fall gets well underway, all the activities that make up the pattern of parish life here at St. Andrew's are in full swing, as well. In a one-month period in my calendar, I see meetings of the churchwardens and parish council, outreach team and natural church development steering group, children and youth ministry committee and youth advisory group, worship committee and communications team, Anglican Church Women and Ladies' Lunch and Learn, Sunday School teachers and servers and liturgical assistants. There has been the Community Barbecue and Caribbean Night, Back to Church Sunday and Neighbourhood Lunch. Then there is our regular pattern of worship, Sundays at 8 and 10, Wednesdays at 10, and now the ALTWorship on the third Sunday evening of each month. (No wonder I'm a little tired as I write this!)

St. Paul once compared the church to a body, calling us the Body of Christ. Some 1,500 year later, St. Theresa of Avila wrote that Christ has no body on earth but ours, no hands to bless the world but ours, that ours are the eyes that look Christ's compassion on the world. Although each author uses the image slightly differently, both call us to remember that we, Christian people here and now, are the means by which God works in our world. When others

look at us, as individuals and as a church community, they ought to be able to see Christ.

That is why we do all the things that we do. We exist to love and worship God, together, and to extend this love into the community in which God has placed us.

Yet sometimes we get so caught up in the day-to-day of our lives, whether in our work or school, our volunteer lives or our families, and in the day-to-day of the church calendar, that means and ends become disconnected. We find ourselves working so hard so that a task will be completed, that we forget why we are doing that task.

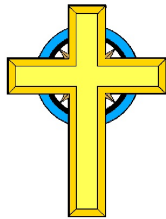
The reason we clean our homes is to make them a blessing for ourselves, our families and our guests. The reason we attend meetings is to create a community where people find God's love. The reason we give money and hold fundraisers is to increase the ministry we are able to provide to others.

People become burned out, it has been said, when they try to do the work themselves, by their own strength, without the help and support of others and of God. The prayer that closes each Eucharist reminds us that we cannot do it all; but God's power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. And God's power does work through each human being, but how much more when

we act together as the body of Christ, each of us contributing what we are able, through prayer and action.

As the fall marches on, as our activities continue and our mission increases, let us seek an ever-deepening relationship with God. Let us seek the blessing of Christ in all that we work to do in his name. Let us find the power of the Holy Spirit in our every breath. And let us go out to be Christ's hands, eyes, feet, and heart in our broken world.

The Rev Heather McCance



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Photo Directory

We are in the process of creating a new Photo Directory.

For this to work, we need a majority (ideally all!) parishioners to take part. It will take a short time one evening in the next couple of months.

Please remember that this is not just for you, its for everyone else.

Many of us have 5 or 6 directories from the past years at St. Andrew's and it can both fun and useful to look up people.

At this point in time, not everyone on the parish list has been called, so please be patient you *will* get a call – and we will keep you informed as to when we have finished the calls so that if we were not able to reach you, you can call the church office.

Again its important to everyone that you respond to this!

Building Families, and Communities in Christ

We started the youth group last year with some notable successes, which has been because of our desire to ensure that we are focussed on our mission. Some of these successes are as follows:

- **The creation of a Youth Group Advisory Committee** – Its purpose has been to have a distinct focus on the work of the youth group. It has been an important part of providing a great deal of accountability. This Committee continues to make invaluable and vital contributions behind the scenes for the effective functioning of the youth group. The members of this committee comprise Colin Brown, Gwen Forde-Martins, Jennifer Murphy, Loraine Jackson, along with myself (Rev. Vernal). We thank these persons who work behind the scenes tirelessly in supporting the work of this ministry.
- **Participation of the Youth in Church Life** – We had several youth participating in the life of the church. They became servers, many of the youth were involved in the All-Ages Services, also some assisted in the garage sale at the church; just a few of the many activities that they were involved with. They were enthusiastic in preparing for their respective roles and were well supported by the adults. It is our hope that this will continue with their unique participation.
- **Youth Events and Activities** – participated in several activities last year such as visit to the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM), Bowling, Toronto Youth Network concert, and visit to Flemingdon Park Ministry, to name a few. The events were very special for the youth and we hope to repeat some of these events in the coming year.
- **Donations towards Capital Items** – Without solicitation, several members of the congregation made contributions towards the acquisition of a *Wii* game console, a Camcorder, and a high definition multimedia projector. Thank you for your generosity, which has contributed to the life of the youth group in particular, and the church as a whole.
- **Black History Month "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman."** – The youth group, so as to raise funds, sponsored the one woman live theatre performance "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman." It was held on 2010 March 2 and was a huge success. We had overwhelming support from our St. Andrew church family, friends and family.



From the Desk of the Wardens

It was important to mention these successes as we intend to build on them. We will continue with the same approach, techniques, and goals, but would make adjustments to acquiesce to the ever-evolving community that surrounds us. Some significant steps have been taken thus far, and yet, we do not move forward without the constant awareness and reminder that the growth, transformation, and indeed the accomplishments experienced, are a direct result of the efforts of the leaders and the St. Andrew's community.

Next Steps

- **Junior Youth Group and High School Group**
Rev. Vernal plans to spend more time with the high schoolers this year, and to engage in ministry with the families of the youth. The junior group leadership will be left to Colin Brown, Jennifer Murphy, and Gwen Forde-Martins.
- **Communications** – We recognised that many of the youth are using this method of communication very often and have therefore decided to set up a fan page for the Youth group on *facebook* and part of St. Andrew's facebook page. This we know will be one means of communication with our youth group members.
- **The Church Hall for Meetings** – We will be using the church hall for the month of September for all the youth meetings. We hope this will continue as we think it is more appropriate for the meeting of the junior youth.
- **Linking with other Youth Groups** – We intend to link up with other youth groups from other churches we have been in conversation with.
- **Partnership with Outreach Committee** – We are pursuing a partnership along with the Outreach Committee to host an evening at Flemingdon Park Ministry. As soon as we have confirmation of dates we will convey this information to the community.

We continue to ensure that our paramount priorities to establish trust, care and safety are achieved. We as always wish to thank you, the congregation and leaders, for your support and encouragement. Please continue to keep the youth, leaders and the church in your prayers. We have been overwhelmed and speechless by the support as we engage in ministry together. You affirm and enable us all to fulfill our task of proclaiming the gospel and sharing God's love in the community.

The Rev. Vernal Savage

A Spiritually healthy church has also to be a well maintained church. All the activities in the church depend on the physical structure of the church being strong and functional. In the past few months your wardens have been working with John Lennox (Property Chair) to get a number of maintenance projects completed before the winter months. We are planning to:

- Fix the front doors, so that they can open and close properly during the winter months, and fix the North doors so the latching mechanisms works properly each time
- Fix the problem that is causing the leak in the men's choir room which includes fixing the bricks in the chimney that are loose, ensuring that the draining system works well into the boiler room drain, then fix the floor in choir room.
- Scheduling the boiler inspection and start-up for another year of service.
- Completing the fire safety inspection of the church

Work with a number of different church Ministries and leaders to complete a comprehensive list of church assets, for insurance purposes.

Work with the group that is looking at fixing problems and also enhancing the functionality of the Church Organ.

We will continue to monitor and manage our finances as we strive to meet the growing needs of the church community.

Yours respectfully
Joe Kurantsin-Mills
Richard Moriah
Randy McCarnen
Hugo McIntosh

From the Worship Committee

You may have noticed that the front of the bulletin is less specific than it once was about which form of worship will be used on which Sunday during the 10:00 service. This is because it kept changing!

While we do have a basic pattern in mind for the 10:00 service schedule, we need to be free to change it for feast days, special occasions and the like. After gathering feedback last winter and spring, and after a number of conversations together (in which we did not always agree!), the basic pattern will be:

Week	Month 1	Month 2
first Sunday	BAS, p 230	BAS, p 230
second Sunday	BAS, p 185	BAS, p 185
third Sunday	BAS, p 230	BCP Matins and Communion
fourth Sunday	BAS, p 185	BAS, p 185
fifth Sunday (if any)	BAS, p 230	BAS, p 230

The BAS is the Book of Alternative Services, the larger green service book published in 1985; the BCP is the Book of Common Prayer, the smaller burgundy book published in 1962. In the BAS, the service on page 230 uses the same language as the BCP, a service that uses the Shakespearean English of the original Book of Common Prayer first published in 1559. The service on page 185 of the BAS uses contemporary English. (And note that the ALT.Worship informal, contemporary service will take place on the third Sunday evening of each month to give an alternative to the morning service as well)

Bible Study Groups: Fall 2010

The theme for the Bible Study this fall will be "Healing."

We know that Jesus healed men, women and children during his earthly ministry, and that his early followers also healed people in his name. We have all prayed for those who were sick, and sometimes they were cured and sometimes they weren't. We've all heard of so-called "faith healers," who lay hands on people to cure them of disease and disability, but the Anglican pattern of the ministry of healing is much less "showy."

For six weeks this fall, we will engage with the subject of healing. Is there a difference between being healed and being cured? Does God heal the sick, and if so, how? What does the Bible say about this, and what are we to make of the variety of healing ministries in the Christian Church today? When we pray for healing, what do we expect?

Watch your bulletin on Sundays, and on the parish website, for dates and times and plan to attend this engaging and informative discussion series.

From the Church School

The Church School is up and running with a few new teachers and helpers (yay!). We do still need more people, though. We know that several of our members have taught Sunday School in the past. Perhaps they feel that they have done their part and are done. But we know that the involvement of our children and youth in our church is so important to all of us, and whether you have ever taught Sunday School in the past or not, we need you to be a part of helping us to nurture the faith in our children, the children of our Church.

The first unit this fall is called simply, "All About the Bible." The Bible is one of the most important tools we have for Christian living. Because of this, we believe it is important for our children to be familiar with the Bible - how it was written and compiled, how it is organized and where to find different stories or passages within its pages. During this unit, we will be trying to help children understand these and other basic concepts about the history of the Bible and how it represents different types of writings.

Please speak to the Rev. Heather or to Nadia Jones if you can give one Sunday or several to the ministry of our Sunday School.



Listen then if you have Ears (Mark 4 : 21 – 25)

Some time after opening his ministry, Jesus realized, that even with his immense, popularity as a healer, and with his popularity as a prophetic preacher, he failed to bring the majority of the people of the land to accept his message; he finally became convinced that he must have a group of people with him who are showing interest in his teaching and are eager to follow him; he therefore chose twelve disciples and another seventy two (LK. 10:1,17) for it is evident that there is a large harvest, but few workers to gather the harvest. His purpose was to spread his message about the kingdom of God, which he personified and exemplified and this could only be done by his true followers.

Jesus also changed his method in teaching, for while it was popular, it did not succeed sufficiently to penetrate the minds of people; so he began teaching the crowds in parables and often he had to take his disciples aside to open their dull minds to the meaning of a parable and to challenge them to change their whole attitude from self-serving and narrow ambitions, to his way which will ultimately lead to a cross.

He took his disciples aside after addressing the crowds with the parable of the sower, explaining what he meant by it and at the same time emphasized the importance of listening well, for hearing needs an earnest, eager, concentrated and sincere attention. Then he urged them not keep his teaching to themselves and hide it from the public; they should spread it around with no hesitation.

To illustrate this, Mark brings in the parable of the lamp.

In the original Greek, the verb come, is linked to the word lamp !! how can a lamp come? it is not a living creature to come; the text goes like

this : Does the lamp come in order that it be put under a measure, or a bed?? who is the lamp then? it is clearly, Jesus who is the lamp. He is telling his disciples, do not hide me in your minds and hearts; proclaim me openly and fearlessly, so that my light will shine far and wide.

The light of Jesus penetrates every heart and mind and it chases all darkness and then many will be converted to the light of Truth, the Way and Life.

So Jesus is saying his disciples listen carefully to me with eagerness and joy for then you will have better and deeper understanding and for this you will be abundantly rewarded. Those who will not hear, will lose the power of hearing and the ability to see the light of truth.

Rafiq Farah, 16th. June 2010

Church of St. Andrew First Friday Men's Coffee Hour

This programme provides a good opportunity for men of the parish to meet, socialize, and discuss current topics of interest. The meetings are held the first Friday of the month, 9:30-11:00am in the St. Andrew's Room.

Meeting dates this autumn are:

Friday, October 1, 2010
Friday, November 5, 2010
Friday, December 3, 2010

Tea, coffee and snacks are provided. All men in the parish are welcome. Come and bring a friend.

Nearing 50 years of faithful service!

The pipe organ, built by Wicks Pipe Organ Builders of Highland Illinois was installed and ready for service by Easter 1964. The instrument cost just over \$ 19,000 at the time and has just been assessed for Insurance purposes at a value of nearly \$ 350,000. The organ has enhanced our music program and led the congregation in worship with very little cost to the parish.

Five years ago, Vestry approved a three stage upgrade plan for the instrument. Stage one was the installation of a new console and stage two the changeover from outdated electro-pneumatic action to digital control of all mechanisms.

Stage three, the building of a new rank of pipes called a "Mixture" was postponed due to funding. The current fund has grown through donations from former and current parishioners. The fund has slightly over \$ 30,000. The Wardens have agreed to hire the services of John Struve, organ builder, to complete this final stage of this project.

The project involves both the repair of almost 30 dead notes, the installation of the Mixture, a set of 82 pipes that will be installed in the Swell Box and the completion of the Trumpet and Geigen through the use of a "Peterson" sound system enclosed in the Swell box.

The addition of these stops, or voices, was made in consultation with Ted and a colleague, William Maddox, organ builder and Organist at Yorkminster Baptist church in Toronto. This installation will enhance the capability of the instrument for congregation singing and choral presentations.

Work on the organ will take place with repairs to the dead stops, unregulated Swell box shutters and sloping pipes this fall. The new Mixture will be installed after Christmas. The goal is to have everything ready for Easter 2011. John Struve works in churches throughout the GTA and has provided three references. He is also known to St. Andrew's as he tunes the instrument twice yearly. The organ will be functional throughout this phase.

*Bill Matthews on behalf of the Wardens
September 2010*

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY TRIP TO GERMANY - June 10, 2010

Being picked up from home at 12:50 p.m. was convenient, however, the next pick up of Harri and Elaine Ramprasad went awry with wrong directions. They were picked up 3/4 hour later, quite a nervous situation for them. We got to the airport after 2:00 p.m. where we hooked up with the others. We were still in good time. As we relaxed I had a Tim Horton's iced coffee for the first time. It was good.

Going through customs was fairly calm although I had to give up a big tube of Avon hand cream. I regretted that very much.

We boarded Lufthansa at 4:30 p.m. and took off at 5:00 p.m. The flight was very smooth most of the way, with a few bumps now and then. The service on flight was excellent with much to eat and drink including wine, Harvey's Bristol Cream, etc. We touched down in Dusseldorf around 6:00 a.m., hurried through customs, boarded a bus that took us across the runway to catch a smaller Lufthansa plane for the 1 1/2 hour flight to Budapest. Arrived 9:15 a.m. in 90 degrees, bussed to Radisson Hotel. It was a long and tiring wait for the rooms to be ready. As we got our keys we could all but drag ourselves to our rooms, have a couple hours sleep, got up, and what a rejuvenation a couple of hours sleep and a bath would do for you.

By 5:30 p.m. we were ready to hit the town as we were famished and ready for dinner. We were not disappointed as dinner was very good starting with the famous Hungarian Goulash, Chicken Breast, or Pork Tenderloin etc. A very delicious meal, served with wine no less. We skipped the night on the town and retired early in preparation for a busy Saturday. Good Night.

Saturday June 12/10

Today, Saturday, began for me with a short early morning walk followed by a hearty breakfast. We spent much of the day on an air-

conditioned Coach as the temp. was up to 31 degrees Celsius. This was a city tour which took us through many historical sights. Our guide, Annie, a beautiful young woman from Quebec descent, very knowledgeable of the country, did her best to give us a good insight of the Hungarian Dominion, as we visited the Parliament: Heroes Square with its Millennium Monument, and the beautiful baroque town of Szentendre. We also travelled to the former Renaissance capitol of Visegrad where we enjoyed a magnificent view of the Danube Bend, by the way (the Danube is not blue,) and the Borzsony Mountains, etc. The day ended with a visit to a fourteenth century castle where knights in colourful costumes with authentic weaponry recreate the days of chivalry complete with King and Queen taken from the group and dressed in robes and crown to fit the part. Guess what? Your Canon Prue was chosen to be the Queen, and did she ever play the part. Canon Bill was also chosen as Vice Regal. The knights put on an exciting show for the King, Queen and their subjects. (we were) After this spectacular show, we enjoyed a special Renaissance style dinner with wine and music, imagining the days of medieval times. A full day.

Sunday June 13, 2010 - Leaving for Vienna

Today we realised our good fortune of having not one but two Canons and a Priest in our midst. We actually had a short communion service truly spirit filled in all its simplicity. We said goodbye to Radisson in Budapest, Hungary, before going on the road to our next destination. It was a four hour drive to Puszat, a Hungarian countryside, where we visited a horse farm and were entertained by a group of Hungarian equestrians who put on a spectacular horse show for us. After which we enjoyed a traditional Hungarian feast, complete with goulash soup, and gypsy music. A wonderful ending to our short stay in Budapest, Hungary.

Monday June 14, 2010

The trip from Hungary to Vienna was a four hour coach drive. We arrived in time for dinner which always starts with soup, and hot dishes served with dumplings and sauerkraut. Always good food in adequate amounts. The city tour took us to such places as Schonbrunn Palace, the Gothic St. Stephen's Cathedral still under renovation; view some of the scenic parks like the rose garden and beautiful architecture all around. The square was exciting with many shops stacked with fabulous Bohemian Crystal, China, Wooden Toys, Painted Easter Eggs, Pottery, Puppets and Russian Stack Dolls, no end to souvenirs. We had some free time to shop or window shop, browse or have an ice cream cone, while people-watching the throngs of groups mulling around the square. The world cup was on the jumbo screen in the square.

We were back in time to freshen up for dinner. We always seem to be eating, I won't be surprised if by now the tell tale signs are appearing. Tonight dinner was served with champagne, after which we left for an evening of culture. A concert symphony was held at the palace we had visited in the morning. Although tired we all managed to keep our eyes open for the two hours.

Tuesday June 15, 2010

On the road again. We are leaving Prague for Melk, where we took a boat cruise on the blue Danube River, which was very relaxing, sight-seeing along was beautiful with its rolling hills, small villages, quaint looking structures of once long ago and far away places. There was much good food and drink, this time at your own expense. As all good things must come to an end we disembarked for a quick stop at the Abbey Melk. One must be either adventurous or love a challenge, as getting to the Abbey involved a downward trek of 100 stairs. That alone turned some off. However, the lion-hearted were well rewarded with a feast for the eyes, with grandeur of the Abbey. Time did not permit us to have a tour, but what we saw of the nave and surrounding area was

breathhtaking. The art work in gold put the palace to shame.

It is said to be the Abbey where the Sound of Music was filmed. I was certainly in awe of the sights. Our visit there was short as we boarded the coach for the six-hour journey to the next destination, Prague. We arrived in Prague still fully daylight, went straight to the restaurant for dinner, where we were serenaded by a three-piece orchestra as we ate a delicious fish dinner. After dinner we headed for our third hotel, the Diplomat, not quite as posh as the previous two, but nice all the same. Breakfast at 7:30 was followed by our coach ride into the city where we toured the Palace, and St Nicholas Catholic Church, a Gothic church quite impressive. Our walking tour took us through shopping areas and grand structures, libraries, museums, castles the famous clock, and the city square. The square was busy as the world cup was on the big screen.

Our walking tour ended and we took the coach back to the hotel, had a good rest and were ready for a folklore evening in the countryside. A four course dinner was served complete with a folklore show of music, dancing and lots of beer. Another fabulous evening. The weather being most cooperative.

Thursday June 17th - off to Salzburg.

As we arrived in Austria, we checked in at the Renaissance. Dinner was good in a quaint setting followed by a short walking tour, where we saw Mozart's birthplace.

Friday June 18th

On the road again, as we leave for the two hour drive to Oberammergau Regional Hotel. The Passion Play started at 2:30. We were lucky to have an hour free time which was no doubt used for shopping. The village of Oberammergau was breathtaking with it's well stocked shops, boutiques, and crowds of people framed by a backdrop of majestic mountains. It was exciting just being there.

Friday our last day and it rained all day. It did not dampen the spirits, as we got to the theatre, it was wall to wall people, some of us in our group were in the third row, really. The choir of forty-eight mixed voices accompanied by a symphony orchestra was unbelievably professional. The performance by the villagers was just outstanding. The most emotionally-charged moment for me was Mary's performance, (Jesus' mother) The gut-wrenching agony she displayed as her son lay wounded, bruised and dying.

I think there is no greater grief for a mother than losing a son to tragedy. The acting was superb, the singing magnificent, with emotions swelling with your own thoughts.

Oberammergau was every bit worth seeing now rather than later for me. It was a hectic ten days with all the walking tours, the awesome wonder of the historic sights, and without a doubt, the cousine.

As we know, all good things come to an end, and sometimes not a bit too soon, as home always looms bigger and brighter when the highlights are over.

Thank God for a wonderful opportunity.

Thelma Tappin



Stewardship

At our vestry meeting in February, I spoke briefly backing the budget as presented by the Wardens, with its deficit as well as its leaving us in a positive position due to the opening bank balance. This bank balance was expected, due to a number of months with only one clergy person, but that balance will be used up soon. Part of what I said then was that the Stewardship Committee would be coming back to the congregation in the Spring with a plan to begin dealing with that dwindling bank balance.

We kept our promise, and in May we brought a proposal to the congregation, which asked for approximately 100 people to increase their commitment by \$3 per week for the rest of the year.

This request was met by 75 people giving us at least the ability to carry on through 2011, assuming a normal yearly increase for the coming year. A big thank-you to all those who responded!!

I do know that a large percentage (but not all) of the responses came from our long-time supporters, who step up every time we ask. Over the next year or two we are going to have to depend on our newer members to join this group and help to maintain the St. Andrew's that we all know and love. I say for the next 'year or two' because at the end of that time they will be part of our "long-time supporters" – many of us remember how that happens!

There *will* be a stewardship program this fall – we will be meeting with Heather during September to discuss the program which will address more of the *why and how* we support our Church. You will hear from us soon.

Dennis Smith
Stewardship Chair

BBQ – Community

I suspect most people are now aware that we held a “Community BBQ” on Saturday September 18th, 11 am to 2 pm.

This event was presented to the Diocese earlier this year as a Community Outreach venture whose sole purpose was to remind the members of our community (local and not-so-local) that “We are here” and active. Nothing else was intended – no hard-sell on St. Andrew’s, or the Anglican Church – just “We are part of your Community”. In response to our proposal to the Diocese we were given a grant to pay for community outreach, and the BBQ fell well within that amount.

The *day* itself (the weather) was great. It was not too *hot* nor was it *too cold*”. Personally I changed from a dark, long-sleeved shirt into a short-sleeved and felt quite comfortable – nor did it rain – always a potential in September.

Our setup was as follows (for those who were unable to attend) ...

1. Two BBQ’s in the South-West corner of the front parking lot – visible from both streets
2. A disk jockey to pipe music to the neighbourhood and thus tell people something was up (if they missed sign)
3. A clown and magician to entertain
4. A number of tables with chairs so people could be comfortable
5. A gazebo to attract people and to hold our table of brochures (for those who might ask)
6. A second gazebo set up by the Outreach Committee
7. Two movable partitions with about 40 8x10 photographs showing various aspects of Church life at St. Andrew’s

We do *not* know exactly how many attended – it was a good mix of members and visitors, which was what was intended – we gave out about 300 meals (a meal being a Hot-Dog or Hamburger and drink).

A number of our members circulated and spoke to visitors, as did The Rev. Vernal.

To summarize, those of us who planned and executed this event were thrilled at the result, and we know for certain that many of our neighbours now know we exist!!

A big thank-you to the many people who worked hard to put this even on. It would not have been possible with only 4 or 5 Communications Team members. I will *not* name those who helped, I know I would miss some – but people arrived by 8am to help setup, and worked until 3pm or after to take down. I do know that when our food table was overwhelmed a number of people who had not come to help, jumped in and worked for some time. So again, thank you to our members for your help and support.



Dennis Smith
Communications Team

COMMON PRAISE

The choral repertoire in use in our church is neither 'Cathedral Music', nor 'Parish Church' music, but is standard repertoire used extensively in the Anglican Communion world-wide. In St. Andrew's choir, we sing many compositions written after 1950. In fact we have in our choir library many works written in the last twenty (20) years.

Choral music used reflects many heritages and styles drawn from well-crafted works from composers in many countries. The choral music presented throughout ten (10) months of each year complements the Sunday themes of the liturgical calendar, and is chosen and rehearsed many weeks in advance of any worship service.

Anthems, Motets, Psalms and Descants are to choirs what Symphonies are to orchestras, Bach to organists and popcorn to baseball fans.

HYMNS and HYMN-TUNES - COMMON PRAISE

The 1998 Book of Common Praise has an aptly chosen title, i.e. COMMON, that is, 'in general use'. Hymnology is a living organism, as is choral music. Our hymn book includes many well-known tunes which are several hundred years old as well as tunes and texts which are only 25 years old.

To the 'un-churched', any style and content of a service of worship will be, at first, unfamiliar. Musically speaking, all church musicians attempt to present material which is both appropriate to the occasion, as well as being challenging to those presenting it, that is, a choir and congregation. The word 'new' is a nebulous term. What is new to one may be well-known to another. Often there are several tunes used to differing texts, so that if a worshipper from one background experience is familiar with a certain tune to a particular text, the tune chosen may not be universally known to another church-goer. Example: "Love Divine, all Loves Excelling", comes with three equally well-known tunes.

OLD versus NEW

"O Canada" is new to a new Canadian, though it was written in the 1880s. The "Lord's Prayer" is new to a new Christian, though ageless to 'cradle-Christians".

SERVICE SETTINGS

There are many service settings for congregational use in print. We use four at St. Andrew's: those composed by Merbecke (16th century chants) Schubert (18th century, and in the Hymn Book), Peter Hurford and Richard Proulx (also in the hymnbook), both 20th century composers. It takes a long time for a congregation to become familiar with new settings, though we'd like to expand the repertoire of settings. We have examples of four (4) new settings, two of which would be useful for our congregation.

MUSICAL PRACTICALITIES

Church choirs everywhere attempt to build on firm musical realities: viable choices, financial availability to purchase repertoire; availability of music; copyright concerns; musical abilities of ones existing singers. These facts occur to every church musician all the time. At St. Andrew's we have an extensive library. Some of it is for general usage. Some selections are intended for special occasion services, which occur infrequently. Still others cannot be used at will. Example: in Lent, it wouldn't be right to offer a motet in a fast dance rhythm.

STYLE and POPULARITY, or the OLD and the NEW.

Although not in the business of entertainment, church musicians are aware that there are varying styles of musical worship. We all attempt to offer an interesting musical repertoire. However, choosing repertoire which we assume will be enticing to younger people is a risky business. What "we" think will be 'popular' may in fact reflect an individual belief or assumption, but is not a fool-proof guarantee of its acceptance by 'younger' people. The concept of what makes up the 'young' is also a movable feast. The concept of 'popular' is likewise an emotional approach. How this feeling translates into reality may be another question altogether.

In worship, as in education, music is chosen for many reasons. Young people usually come to like that which is presented to them. The younger they are, the less they know, because they have not yet been exposed to non-secular styles of music and especially WORDS.

Many young people attend symphony concerts. Some go to hear operas. Orchestral and vocal excerpts are often used in radio and television commercials. These excerpts are taken from 18th to 20th century music, for example: the "William Tell" overture (early 19th century) or the so-called "Ode to Joy" by Beethoven, who died in 1827.

At weddings, happy couples invariably choose organ music which dates from 17th or 18th century composers. Yet, these pieces are not 'new' in the usual sense of the term. Mendelssohn's wedding march is actually theatre entre-acte music. Mendelssohn has been dead since 1847. Wagner ("Here comes the bride") died in the 1880s.

In New York City, there are a few Anglican (Episcopal) churches where the congregation at the evening service of Compline comprises students. The language used is that of the Book of Common Prayer! The congregation attend because they appreciate the liturgy and the translation of the liturgy employed.

Generally speaking, when all the realities are seen, the emotional feeling of what we desire often takes second place to what is possible.

These are topics musicians and clergy think about often.

THE ICEBERG

What occurs at a worship service is akin to an iceberg: what you see and hear represents only 10% of what is a much larger area of concern. The ninety percent you don't see or hear takes place in between Sunday services.

The INVITATION

- If you wish to see our music library, have a copy of the current music lists, or just discover exactly what occurs during a choir rehearsal, you are all always welcome to come and audit a Thursday rehearsal at 8 p.m.
- If curious as to how and where to obtain recordings of liturgical music, please ask me for directions.
- Please feel free to ask me about any of the above information at any time. That's part of what I and my colleagues do for a living. We are always available.

*Edward Moroney
Organist & Choirmaster*



WHAT WE LEARNED THIS YEAR 2009-2010

We learned how to help others
and make miracles happen.

We learned how to pray
and about Jesus' ways.

We made miracles happen
by helping others.

And we raised money for the church
by making Brunch for our Mothers.

We made Resurrection rolls, cookies
and cakes; and a lot of people loved
all the stuff we baked.

We had a revelation about the way
Jesus died; it was so sad we almost cried.

We raised money for Haiti,
over 300 dollars!

For we are the light of this world,
and we shine from inside,
and from outside,
and from above,
with God's help.

*Written by the Church School children
in their own words.*

Christmas Treasures Bazaar Saturday, November 27 9:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m.

Many months of hard work goes into our extremely successful bazaar. This year in order to serve our customers better, our bazaar will be open for five hours instead of our usual four hours.

Our annual bazaar can only be a financial success if we have lots of customers to purchase the wonderful items we have for sale. We need each and every member of our church family to publicize our bazaar. Tell your friends, neighbours, workmates and relations about our wonderful bazaar!

***A personal rule to grow up into Christ,
and to help the Church grow in grace
and numbers.***

Pray:

- Daily for church growth through evangelism
- For three (or more) persons that may become committed disciples of Jesus.
- For all you meet today, that you may be a witness to Jesus by example.
- For your parish church, that you may be effective for evangelism.

Action:

- Invite at least one person to share Sunday worship with you each week.
- Share your faith with at least one person each week.
- Help in your parish's efforts to reach new people.
- Each Sunday get to know one more member of the congregation (especially new members).

Study:

- Study the Bible daily.
- Take part in regular Bible Class or other study.
- Either read a book on Church growth and evangelism, or participate in a training course once a year.

Submitted by Marjorie Fawcett from a study on evangelism.



***In Christ
Lethel Shand***

In December 2000, I spoke at the Tree of Light service at Nathan Phillips square on behalf of 'Bereaved Families of Ontario'. I spoke on the topic of 'Grief. I concluded my speech with this poem which I wrote in memory of Patrick. The 14th of September is Patrick's memorial and I would like to share this poem with you. May all those who have lost children or grandchildren find some comfort from this poem.

Forever in Your Heart

May we see or hear
our children

In the first bud of spring
In the colours of flowers everywhere
In butterflies, In spring showers
beating softly
Upon the window pane
In summer garden
With perfumed air from nature's fragrance

May we see them
In the first snowfall...
When it falls softly on the ground
In children at play on skating rinks
And on ski slopes

May we see and hear them in love songs
In blue skies, in gentle breezes
In the whisper of leaves, In moonlit skies
In birds singing softly in the air
In mountain streams, rushing rivers, lakes and seas

May we see and hear them
In those with whom they shared their love
In new and old friends
And at all special occasions

Most of all, may we see and hear them
through the eyes and love of Jesus
Who gave them eternal life.

May They
Live forever in your heart.

ALT. Worship

Join us for a less formal worship experience, a chance to connect with God in a more contemporary way. We pray together, we sing, we talk about our faith. Some of us play instruments. Some of us create art. It all comes together as an act of praise to God.



Each service begins at 7 pm; musicians are invited to gather at 6:30 to go over the music.

Join us!
Sunday, October 17
Sunday, November 21
Tuesday, December 28

Bring your pets to Church!



The annual Blessing of the Animals will take place
Saturday, October 2nd at 10 am.
All animals are welcome; we ask that they be on a leash or in a carrier, and that hooved animals wait outside for their blessing.
Everyone is welcome;
invite your friends and neighbours.

GROWING IN SPIRITUALITY BY DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL PROFILE

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 3
12-2:30 PM**



**WORKSHOP,
LUNCH + BOOK
\$25**

Just as we all have I.Q.s and Personality Types, every human being has a spirituality type. Knowing what yours is can help you to deepen and stretch your spiritual self. Contact the Rev. Heather to sign up today.

This Fall at the Church of St. Andrew

Harvest Festival	Sunday, October 3
Thanksgiving	Sunday, October 10
All Saints' Day	Sunday, November 7
Remembrance Day	Sunday, November 14
St. Andrew's Day	Sunday, November 21
Advent begins	Sunday, November 28

We hope that you will plan to be with us as we celebrate these special occasions at both the 8 am and 10 am services.



From the Church Records

New com ers

We welcome to our St. Andrew's Family

Amy Asadullah
Edna Brown
Andrea Greer
Amanda Pesklevy

We d d i n g s

*"Those whom God has joined together, let no man put
asunder."*

Timothy Arulsuthan and Jennifer Williams
David Navachandrabala and
Gaveena Jeevarajan
Patrick Joseph and Susy Laku

B a p t i s m s

*"Let your light shine before others that they may see your
good works and glorify your Father in heaven."*

Jason Hutton
Chelsea Hutton
Raphael Gabriel Thomas
Santiago Emmanuel Thomas
Nathan Alan Lee Ying

F u n e r a l s

*"Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them."*

Hugh Wayne Swaby
Donna Marie Ackers
John Patrick Pierre

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St. Andrew's Mission Statement

To love and worship God as one family in Jesus Christ; to extend this love into Christian action in the community.