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Pentecost 2022 Newsletter



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A Message from Our Clergy

The Church is a community of the Spirit

Last Sunday we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost when according to Acts 2:1-21, we have the narrative describing the Holy Spirit filling the lives of the Disciples and empowering them to testify of their experiences. The crowd from different cultural backgrounds listened and understood that the Disciples were imparting a message of the wonderful works of God.

Christianity has acknowledged that the Feast of Pentecost marks the birthday of the Christian Church. Therefore, we can truly say that the Christian Church was formed by the Holy Spirit. Here are some New Testament scripture texts to confirm that Christians had the awareness of their lives being formed, influenced and inspired by the Holy Spirit: Ephesians 2: 21-22; Acts 10: 44-48; 1 Corinthians 3: 16; 1 Corinthians 6: 19; 1 Corinthians 12: 8-11. John 4: 24 and many more references.

My hope is that God's Spirit will increase our sense of self-awareness, that in belonging to a Christian Community, we are open to the Holy Spirit to work with our spirit, and that we affirm more and more that we are all "children of God." (Romans 8: 14-17) As God's Spirit work with our spirit, we will worship more zealously in "spirit and in truth." (John 4:24) Also, we will pay more attention to God in our prayers. (Romans 8: 26) We can gain an awareness of being called and gifted by God. (1 Corinthians 12: 4-10. All these are ways that can participate in the Church as the Community of the Spirit.

As Disciples of Christ, we are empowered to witness outside the church to the working of God in the world. We can begin by loving ourselves and growing to become mature in faith. We will seek to love others as we love ourselves and more so as Christ loves us. We believe that the Holy Spirit is the "Go-between God." One way of being conscious of the presence of the Spirit is when are awaken with an idea to do something that is good for others. The "Go-Between God" truly works between ourselves and the good or compassionate activity we hope to make possible.

I want to encourage us all to live in the presence of the Holy Spirit by what is known as "spiritual listening." We will discover this discipline in the spiritual exercise known as "Lectio Divina." You can explore the information related to this way of "spiritual listening" on Google. Once you receive this information, we can practice it. I truly believe we will increase our awareness in how the church as a Community of the Spirit, will grow in strength and commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ by the God's Word. We will learn afresh that our Church, is a life-giving Community and we as agents of God's purpose in the world.

We are already doing "Lectio Divina" in our prayer and reflections in Bible Study. However, we may need to be more intentional about this exercise. In this brief article, I am inviting us all, in our own Community of the Spirit, to praise and glorify our Lord Jesus Christ in our varied ways of being connected with God.

With every blessing. Canon Derek Honorary Assistant

A Message from Our Wardens



Fellow Parishioners,

Peace be with you! We hope by God's grace all continues to be well with you and your families.

Summer is approaching and as we move forward from the pandemic, planning for the remainder of the year has begun. To this end, we request your attendance to provide input at a **Town Hall meeting on Thursday June 23rd here at the church commencing at 7.30 p.m.** as we strive to move our church forward in order to meet the challenges of the future.

What makes us at St Andrew's all brothers and sisters is doing the will of God. It makes us a family of faith. It is our prayer that God guides our steps and decisions to do his will and to strengthen our family of faith here at St Andrew's as we navigate through our planning process.

We look forward to Sunday, June 5, the Day of Pentecost, when several people will speak in different languages as did the people gathered together in Jerusalem, as one body, one family in Christ.

As we move forward in June, we pray for God's blessing on several happenings at St. Andrew's. First, on June 11, the Royal Tea in celebration of our Queen's Jubilee. Then, we sit back and enjoy music by several artists of different genres, our annual Spring Concert on Saturday, June 18th. One other project has been in the works for the past several weeks, the Banner Project, developed by Lois Fuse, with parishioners creating pieces of artwork for the two banners. It is hoped to have the banners mounted in the Parish Hall for the Spring Concert reception.

With God's Blessings! Marjorie and Richard

Parishioners' Stories

JOY IN UNEXPECTED PLACES

Churches are very surprising places.

Over the years, my husband and I have attended churches of various sizes and denominations. In all churches, there are always people who complain about this or that person or rule. If you only listened to just that, you'd probably swear off religion; however, if you have the patience to be open and involved, you begin to see each person's positive traits.

Here's a few things I learned from being a member of the Spring 2022 Concert Committee.

CW and NB keep the group under control. So subtle, you don't even know they manage every aspect of the concert.

If you want to raise funds, it's a good thing to invite LS to join the group. She is master "beggar" (her words) extraordinaire. Her ways show that prayer DOES help - big time!

JM generously shares his expertise and experience to creating a slideshow. HG and KS quietly organizes in the background while we muck around and share jokes. MB, a hidden gem, is timid yet so observant of people's needs. She is caring and kind.

We spent one whole afternoon making flower baskets for the concert and hardly made any progress. Our arrangements, to put it bluntly, looked pitiful. Until VS shows up! With her magic touch, the arrangements took life. Make sure to attend the Spring Concert on June 18 and you'll see what I mean.

And let us not forget, GG saved the day with his wire-cutters!

Overall, each meeting is filled with laughter and full of love for this ever-evolving church.

Respectfully, LH



Parishioners' Stories

VISITING WITH PAM BIRD



Pam's goddaughter, Christine, visiting this week from England after three delays in the past two years, and Karen, her POA. Looking good for 100 years old!

Reflections

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES BY PATIENCE SPRONG



HAPPINESS WAITING FOR YOU

There is light t the end of the tunnel
There is calm at the end of the storm
There is rest at the end of the journey
And a hearth that is welcome and warm
There's a star on the top of the mountain
You can touch when the last crag is scaled
There a certain reward for the faithful
At the point where they think they have failed
There a spring at the end of winter
And behind the black cloud it is blue
There's a song at the heart of your sorrow
And happiness waiting for you.

WHILE YOU ARE WAITING

While you are waiting for tomorrow, get the best out of today While you are waiting for the sunshine don't complain at skies of grey While you wait for future pleasures, don't forget the ones you had Call to mind the things enjoyed, the happy time and not be sad While you're waiting for the granting of the wish you hold most dear Don't lose sight of all the joys that life can offer now and here Times of waiting can be fruitful and to you much good can bring Make the winter yield a blessing, while you are waiting for the spring.!

THE TURNING POINT

There's is a milestone on life's path
That brings us to another start
Where brighter vistas open out
Where clouds grow light and break apart
There's is a spot on every road
Where ruts give place to smooth green ways
The place that marks a new beginning
And the hope of fairer days\Are you weary of the journey
Does your burden seem too great?
Are you fighting uphill battles?
Struggling with a hostile fate?
The milestone at the turning point
May be a few steps round the bend
Courage! This may be the pot
Where joys return and troubles end!

Submitted by Velma Spence

Reflections

DAILY REFLECTION



Enter

On an average day we take 20,000 breaths. In this moment be aware of your breath. Thank God for it.

Hear

Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22 When He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.' [John 20:21-22]

In the story of the day of resurrection we notice how many echoes there are of our beginnings – or, literally, our Genesis. It's on the first day, in a garden, and now when Jesus meets His disciples, He performs a parallel action to that of the Lord God in Genesis 2 who 'formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being'.

This is not a return to the past – but an anticipation of the future. The breath of the resurrected one is the Holy Spirit – the life of God's existence. It is air which can only be ours because Jesus breathes on us.

Respond

As you breathe in and out five times name your five before the Lord.

Pray

'Come Holy Spirit ... breathe Your breath into me that I may be Your new creation, and breathe into life those I hold before You.'

Excerpt from "Thy Kingdom Come", May 27, 2022

THE BANNER PROJECT

In the December newsletter, you were introduced to Lois Fuse and encouraged to participate in the banner project. The hope was to have had it completed by Easter but it is still being worked on.

The photo below shows the progress of the banner with the hope that it will soon be completed and mounted in the church hall.



The banner we envision will be a long, scroll-like fabric construction. Members of the congregation are invited to decorate a 10" by 13" piece of white interfacing, which we will provide. (Interfacing is a non-woven polyester fabric with a paper-like surface.) Finished designs will be joined together by our committee into a patchwork style piece. (See the accompanying photos for the basic idea.)

The interfacing we will use can be decorated in many different ways - whatever your means of expression, it can probably be accommodated. Here is a list of possible media on interfacing:

- 1. Fabric or permanent markers, which could be used for drawing, or writing (scripture; poetry; other)
- 2. Fabric crayons
- 3. Stitchery, including embroidery, patchwork, appliqué. These could be done on regular fabric and stitched to the interfacing.
- 4. Crocheting, knitting. These media could also be stitched to the interfacing. They would work best if done with lightweight threads or yarns.
- 5. Paints might be possible though they might work best if done on canvas and stitched to the interfacing.
- 6. There are probably other media we haven't thought of. Bring us any questions you might have.

We hope this project can help us share our experience of the pandemic with one another and that it can give each of us as individuals a way to express the variety of emotions we have all been through.

Lois Fuse



They began to tell others about Jesus and that he died for us and rose to new life. On this day, the gift of the Spirit allowed the disciples to communicate even with those who spoke different languages. On Pentecost, the Apostle Peter spoke to a gathered crowd. We give our thanks to parishioners who spoke the scripture Acts 2:1-21 in their native tongue: Richard Heinzle (German); Noreen Basso (French); Joseph Mills (Fanti); Lauretta Brown-Hermanstyne (Jamaican Patois).









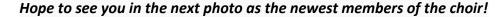
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EASTER 2022: Music Ministry

The Good Friday service was a wonderful blessing to all. This is a photo of the choir just before the start of the service.

Thank you to all choir members and Richard, Music Choir Director and Organist!

The choir is an integral part of the life of the church and they are always looking for new members. If you enjoy singing and would like to be part of this ministry, please contact the church office, stop Richard or any choir member at church and let them know you are interested.





Members from Front to Back, Left to Right

Lourdes, Helen, Daniel (showing off his selfie skills (3)) Cherry Marie, Andrea (fixing Marie's collar) Nellie, Kathleen George, Ivan, Richard



BAZAAR 2022!

For the past countless years St. Andrew's has produced our annual Christmas Treasures Bazaar in November. We need to continue this tradition, our major fundraising and very popular event in our community. We look to you for your support.

Our first concern is to create items to sell. There are still a number of items from Loraine's cupboard of winter mitts, scarves, plush toys, etc., but throughout the summer, we need parishioners to make jams, shortbread and fudge, craft items. Some baked items can be started early in the fall and frozen. Jams, of course, can be made when the fruit is in season.

To get started, we need to form a coordinating committee right away, before the end of June and summertime. Will you be a part of the team?

Prayerfully consider how you can help make **BAZAAR 2022** happen. We need **EVERYONE'S** support! Please contact me by e-mail (mfawcett29@gmail.com) or phone (416-446-6061) if you are willing to give of your time and talent to keep St. Andrew's image.

Also on the agenda for this year is a Nu-to-Yu Sale. When this will happen is being considered. Again, a money-raising event to raise necessary funds to augment our cash flow.

With every good wish for an enjoyable, safe summer!

Marjorie Fawcett



Join our

Royal Tea Celebration



In honour of Her Majesty Queen Clizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee





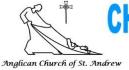




Saturday, June 11 2:00pm—4:00pm

2333 Victoria Park Ave., Scarborough Adults: \$30.00 Youth: \$15.00

> For tickets and information: email Royaltea2333@gmail.com or call 416-447-1481



CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW SCARBOROUGH 2333 Victoria Park Ave, Toronto, ON

ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 7:00pm

> Performances by: St. Paul's Steel Orchestra Church of St. Andrew's Choir **Daniel Tamunotonye** Gail Smith Rachel Walcott Roselyn Heavens-Worrell



Tickets: Adults-\$30.00 Youth-\$20.00

For more information and Tickets: Cherry (416) 281-8973

Nellie (416) 498-7248

Richard Heinzle









Call for parish volunteers!

St. Andrew's Harvest Pop-Up Farmers' Market!

The Church of St. Andew Scarborough 2333 Victoria Park Ave. M1R 1W6

Fridays 2:00 - 6:00 pm September 2 - October 7, 2022

Help bring this market to life through researching and compiling lists of :

- 1) Market Vendors
- 4) Media outlets

2) Sponsors

- 5) Market Volunteers
- 3) Public service/govt. representatives

SUPPORTED BY:









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If interested, please reach out to Marjorie Fawcett at: (416) 446-6061 or fill out this link: https://forms.gle/PNn1ffGSHbYN9bop8

Our Farmers' Market family welcomes you!

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FARMERS' MARKET







The Church of St. Andrew Scarborough

2333 VICTORIA PARK AVE, M1R 1W6
South Parking lot | Fridays 2:00-6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 2 TO OCTOBER 7, 2022

Our farmers' market family is proud to support local farmers and artisans. We aim to provide fresh, locally grown, culturally appropriate foods to you, and your loved ones!

Come celebrate the harvest with us!

PRESENTED BY:



CONTACT US AT: redonioneventslegmail.com

THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS:



FROM YOUR OUTREACH TEAM

"Jesus calls us to be his eyes, hands and feet in this broken world." – Social Justice and Advocacy Board 2006.

Spring is finally here and with it comes the promise of warmer temperatures, more community and outdoor activities, connecting with friends and family and travel as we continue to return to normal. It also comes with very real challenges for those in the community struggling financially, emotionally and mentally. The Church of St. Andrew has always been a dedicated supporter of the community and that is due mainly to the parishioners who support the church.

Food, gas and housing prices are all on the rise and are creating above normal hardship within the community. Food insecurity is at an all-time high. As we work to do our part to be a blessing to those less fortunate and experiencing hardships, we ask that you continue to pray for those in need and consider what you can do to help.

Activities we hope to resume soon and organizations we will continue to support through We Care and FaithWorks:

- In person Outreach meetings
- Neighbourhood Lunch
- FaithWorks Sunday in May
- Fall Food Drive in support of St. Jude's
- Eva's Place
- All Saints Church
- Flemingdon Park Ministry

Food Donations in support of St. Jude's

Supporting the Deacon's Pantry Food Bank at St. Jude's Church is a direct and immediate way to support those in need in the community and help combat food insecurity. Financial support can be sent to 10 Howarth Ave, Toronto, ON M1R 1H4 or call the church office at (416) 755-8068 to find out when donations can be dropped off. All donations left at church will be taken to St. Jude's weekly. Supporting FaithWorks and our Outreach efforts will also help those most vulnerable and in need.

Every little bit helps. A bucket can be filled one drop at a time.

Peace and blessings from your Outreach Team

2022 FaithWorks

FaithWorks is love in action. Every year, through your generous FaithWorks donations we are able to support foster children internationally. With the FaithWorks donations, the church is allowed to keep fifteen (15) percent of all funds collected

An excerpt from the 2022 FaithWorks Parish Campaign Manual:

At the heart of the FaithWorks Campaign are the parishes who are committed to building communities of compassion and hope. Thank you for being a FaithWorks Parish! Because of you the FaithWorks ministry partners can reach out in loving service offering help and hope to people in need.

FaithWorks focuses its support in the following four areas:

- Caring for people who are homeless and ex-prisoners
- Caring for newcomers and refugees
- Caring for at-risk women, children, and youth
- Caring for Indigenous Peoples and people who are HIV/AIDS impacted

In 2021, FaithWorks celebrated its 25th anniversary. We celebrated the hard work and generous contributions of so many over the past quarter century. As we move into FaithWorks' second quarter century, we look to strengthen our program to be able to offer more to today's front-line workers in the war on poverty, exploitation, and indifference, made so much more difficult by this pandemic.

Jesus said, "I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was sick, and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." ... and Jesus finishes, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Matt. 25:35,36, 40)

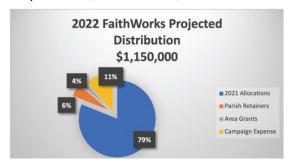
These words of Jesus summarize the mission of FaithWorks

Peter Misiaszek,

CFRE Director of Stewardship Development

How Will My Gift Be Used?

The chart below illustrates the distribution of funds raised from individuals, parishes, corporations, foundations, and trust income in 2021.



Noreen Basso on behalf of the Outreach Team

WHAT IS PENTECOST

Pentecost comes from a Greek word meaning fifty (50) and is celebrated fifty (50) days after Easter. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1–31). Pentecost.

Pentecost comes from a Jewish harvest festival called Shavuot. The apostles were celebrating this festival when the Holy Spirit descended on them. It sounded like a very strong wind and it looked like tongues of fire. The apostles then found themselves speaking in foreign languages, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

As God started his church, he sent the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit could have come with healing, or walking on water, but it came with language: language that allowed all the listeners to hear about Jesus in a way they would understand. On that day, God was not only fulfilling his promise from Jesus to the disciples, He was fulfilling a much older plan to unite all the different people of the world.



The Holy Spirit is our helper, teacher, comforter, and our friend! He becomes a part of us when we become a Christian and understand that Jesus died and rose for us. When we're ready to live our lives in honor of God, the Holy Spirit will lead us and guide us every day.

Topics to discuss as a family about Pentecost:

- 1. What is the meaning of Pentecost.
- 2. What can we learn from those who spoke in different languages; but understood each other?
- 3. Why did the Holy Spirit return to celebrate Pentecost?
- 4. How can we incorporate the teaching and celebration of all people and community of Pentecost in our everyday lives?

Pentecost

THE HOLY SPIRIT BUILDS THE EARLY CHURCH

"Yet we all hear them using our own languages to tell the wonderful things God has done."





OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary."

The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge." Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?"

The kid said, "Well, you know, they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."

3-year-old Reese: "Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen."

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you."

I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime. She would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from E-mail.

One particular four-year-old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother, Joel, were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

Submitted Respectfully by Ray McCarl

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Please join us in church every Sunday at 10:00 AM. We are back to in-person services and all are welcome to warship with us!

The Church of St. Andrew Live Stream link: https://youtu.be/HqLKXBeCxwA

- Please join our live stream on Sunday or Wednesday; service starts at 10:00 AM

Online donation to Church of St. Andrew portal: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/42369

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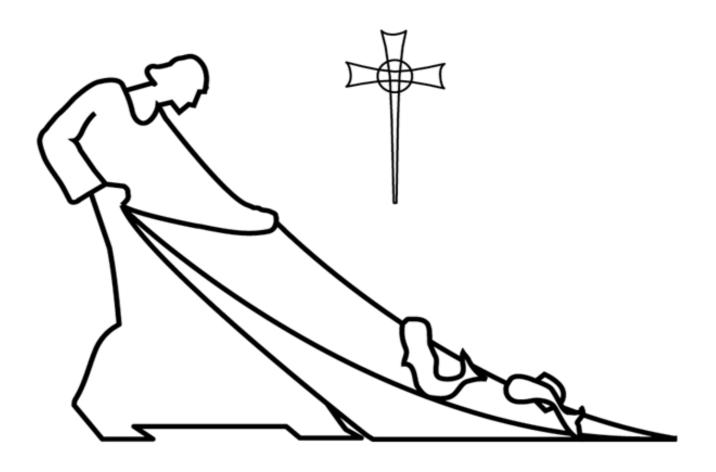
We are always looking for content for the newsletter. Please send your articles, reflections, ideas and suggestions to the church admin or to Lynda Lennox, Noreen Basso or a member of the Communications Team.

Noreen Basso
On behalf of The Communications Team



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