



North Caradoc - St Andrews Presbyterian Church

Newsletter
March 31, 2019

Announcements from NC-St. A's Session:

Study Leave - Rev. Shelly will be on study leave March 25-31st.

We welcome Charles Middleton on Sunday, March 31st. For any pastoral emergencies, please contact your elder or Theresa Glithero.

The Rev. Amanda MacMillan is available.

April 18 - 5:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday pot luck dinner.

April 18 - 7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday communion worship

May 5 - 11:00 a.m. - North Caradoc - St. Andrew's 166th Anniversary.
Lunch provided

May 25 - 9:30 - 4:30 p.m. - Westmount Church (Village Green Ave., London) is hosting a day long conference - Faith Formers. This is for anyone who cares about passing on faith to the next generation. Speaker will be Rodger Nishioka. Cost is \$10. Lunch and refreshments provided.

August 12-16 - VBS at North Caradoc - St. Andrew's. Kintail on the Road staff will provide programming for a maximum of 40 campers. Volunteers to assist will be needed. It will be a full day program with snacks provided. Registration will begin shortly. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Honouring Indigenous art

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Picton, ON is building relationships with Indigenous people through the celebration of Indigenous art and culture. The church is now home to the largest Indigenous mural on a church in Canada. The congregation received permission by award-winning Métis visual artist and author Christi Belcourt to reproduce her Art Gallery of Ontario commissioned piece, *Wisdom of the Universe*. A team of Toronto muralists spent one week recreating the 37'x 36' mural on the church's north exterior wall. The entire mural is comprised of dots to represent beadwork, which is a common theme in much of Belcourt's work.

Presbyterians Sharing supports healing and reconciliation initiatives

Hungarian Language Service:

Today, March 31, 2019 @3:00pm

A note from your Treasurer: Thank you to everyone for being so accommodating with the implementation of recycling envelopes and changing envelope numbers. If you find that you are running out of envelopes, please place your large envelope into the Treasurer's mail slot before you run out. I will fill it with more envelopes and labels, and put it back into your mail slot.

When preparing your donation envelope, please mark the date, and if you are comfortable, the amount of your donation in the space provided on the label. This saves time for the counters who will have to record this information on the envelope if you don't provide it. Thank you for your cooperation.

A Time of Transition:

Friends, our world is constantly changing. Change is something that happens sometimes without us even noticing while other changes take energy, emotion and hard work. As we celebrate with joy the changes before us in our natural surroundings, in the fresh air of spring, the blooming of flowers and budding of the trees, we are asked to address a change and time of transition in our ministry & mission relationship.

The Knox congregation has voted to begin the process of ending its ministry in the village of Komoka. There are many steps along the process before us for both Knox and NC-St. A's. I ask for your prayer support, your patience and your help (wherever your gifts may lie) in making this transition as grace-filled as possible. Please see below steps of the process taken thus far and a link to Guidelines for Dissolution and Amalgamation. In the coming weeks a process list will be provided every Sunday and updated on a regular basis. If you have any questions, concerns or comments Rev. Shelly and Knox or NC-St. A's elders will do their best to address them.

Deep peace, Rev. Shelly

Transition Steps taken so far and those approaching:

- Knox voted to begin the process COMPLETED MARCH 3, 2019
- NC-St. A's informed of decision COMPLETED MARCH 10, 2019
- Knox informed Presbytery of decision COMPLETED MARCH 18, 2019
- Knox Congregational meeting May 26, 2019 (decisions: date of process completion & dissolution or amalgamation?)
- Knox meets with Presbytery Committee
- NC-St. A's meets with Presbytery Committee
- Presbytery will grant Knox permission to begin process

For more information about the process ahead see **Guidelines for Dissolution and Amalgamation** which can be found on the [A Time for Transition](#) page of Knox's website or contact Rev. Shelly for a paper copy.