

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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During COVID, the Order of Service will be on the screen at the front of the sanctuary. We are following all COVID 19 protocols, i.e. mandatory mask wearing, social distancing, sanitizing, etc. There is no singing, but we encourage you to hum along! If you are not ready to leave immediately following the service, we suggest you move toward the middle of your pew to allow people to pass safely and then leave when you're comfortable. The service is recorded and sent to those on the congregation email list. If you do not currently receive it but would like to, please contact the church office.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

A memorial donation has been received in honor of Blanche Steeves from Phoebe Fraser.

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We are currently gathering information for our next Newsletter, keeping everyone in the Congregation up to date on events and church news. If your Team or anyone in the congregation would like to contribute an article for the Newsletter, please forward it to the office (first.church@ns.aliantzinc.ca). We have extended the deadline for submissions to October 6<sup>th</sup> in order to have it available Thanksgiving weekend.



Photos for our new church directory will be taken this week. There's no obligation to purchase the pictures, but you'll get a free directory if you get your photo taken. The dates are October 6 -10 inclusive. If you haven't already, you will receive a call from Universal Portrait Studios to set up an appointment, or you can set up your appointment

for the photos to be taken at your convenience, by calling **Kathy** at 1-888-769-7339, **Ext 2**. You can also book your appointment online at **www.universalportraits.com**. <u>Individual photos will be taken in the Ladies Parlour off the Upper Hall</u>. <u>PLEASE ENTER THROUGH THE OFFICE DOOR</u>. All groups and team leaders should make arrangements for pictures also, or you can take the pictures and email them to the church office, and they will be sent to Universal Studios.

## PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER CHURCH TODAY FOR THE FOLLOWING TEAMS:

- -Circle of Friends (on steps, weather permitting)
- -Finance, Maintenance & Stewardship
- -Trustees



<u>Thanksgiving is Sunday, Oct 11</u> – As you can see, the sanctuary has been decorated with edible items that will be donated to the Pictou County Food Bank. Thank you to all who contributed!

## FAIR HEARTS – FRIENDS ASSISTING IRAQI REFUGEES

(We are sponsors of a family of 6 - 4 children, 2 adults)



We are asking all members and their families and friends to save their returnable bottles for Fair Hearts. You can bring them to the bottle exchange and give Sandra the money or contact Sandra (902-331-1001) or Bernadette (902-759-3156) to arrange pick up.

<u>UPDATE</u>: Accounts have been set up with both Golden Penney and Stewart's Bottle Exchange. If you bring your bottles to either exchange, tell them the money is for the "Fair Hearts" account. Also, tell them who the

contribution is from (individual or Team). Please share this information with your friends and family. Thank you for any contributions you make!!

We are also seeking donations for a Fair Hearts fundraiser yard sale (date to be determined). If you have any items, please contact either Sandra or Bernadette to arrange pickup. <u>Anything will help</u>. Also asking if anyone can provide temporary storage for the items until we can schedule the yard sale, it would be greatly appreciated.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

• Oct. 5 – Catherine Mair AMS – Monday, 2:00 p.m.

• Oct. 6 – Pictou County Council of Churches – Meeting in the Sanctuary – 10-11 a.m.

• Oct. 6 – Universal Portraits (by appointment) – Ladies Parlour

• Oct. 8 – Session – 7:00 p.m.

Minister: Rev. Andrew MacDonald

**Organist:** Lloyd MacLean

**Rev. MacDonald's office hours:** Tues. to Fri. - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm or by appointment

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Mission Statement: But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple. Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously. Micah 6: 8-The Message