



St. Andrew's welcomes Rev. Neil Ellis, his wife Kate and sons Logan and Ethan. Neil was ordained at Hopedale Presbyterian Church on Sunday July 13th, 2014 by the Brampton Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Lindsay Peterborough will induct Neil as minister of St. Andrew's on Sunday September 14th, 2014 at 3 p.m. A reception will be held in Campbell Hall following the service.

We hope you will attend the Induction Service. Neil and family moved to Cobourg in late July and Neil began ministry in August.

#### Important Dates:

- Sunday September 7 – Church School Starts
- Friday September 12 – Young at Heart at 10 am and each Friday following
- Sunday September 14 – Holy Communion
- Sunday September 21 – Worship & Dedication Service, followed by a Congregational BBQ
- Sunday October 5 – World Wide Communion
- Saturday November 15 – Christmas Tea & Bazaar



#### St. Andrew's Mission Statement

We are here to worship God through Jesus Christ and to serve him through:

1. Congregational Care: Ministering to the needs of the congregation.
2. Outreach: Presenting the gospel to others.
3. Social Service: Bettering the daily life of the community through Christian action.



## Step Into Fall 2014



For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.

- Matthew 18: 20

#### St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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Pastor: Rev. Neil Ellis  
Minister: All of God's People  
Music Director: Carolyn Hyma  
Clerk of Session: Joy Randall  
Custodian: John Manning

#### A Word From the Pastor

Fall is a time of change. We witness the brilliant colour of the leaves and are awed by how God brings about change and renewal in creation. This Fall is also a time of change at St. Andrew's. The congregation has moved from a period of vacancy to welcoming Kate, Logan, Ethan and I. We are excited to be here at St. Andrew's and to share in the life, work and mission that God is calling this community towards. A journey that we are on together.

Reflecting on our journey together I was drawn to the words of Isaiah, "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it.'" (Isaiah 30:21).

That voice is God's, encouraging us, guiding us and protecting us. Our job is twofold; we must stop and listen for God's voice. To hear God's clear direction in our lives amidst the many distractions before us. Spending time in prayer and reading scripture aids us in clearly hearing God's call. Second, we must trust God's voice. Trust that God is pointing us towards the way of truth. Often that can be confusing and the way may contain hardships before we reach our destination. But God asks us to trust and we can do no less.

As we enter into the Fall season I hope we can begin to have conversations about where God is calling us as a community of faith. How that call will make a change and an impact on our own lives and on all those that we encounter.

Rev. Neil Ellis



### **Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D)**

Our weekly update of needs and appeals are on the bulletin outside the minister's study. Remember our offering envelopes as a means for making regular donations and for special appeals. Information is also available on the PWS&D website.

### **Presbyterian Sharing Sunday – September 28**

Information and things of interest are on the bulletin board across for church office. Please remember our ministry through Presbyterian Sharing and our offering to support the mission of our national church. The new pamphlets on Presbyterian Sharing are available.

### **Branches of Ministry**

Over the past year we have restructured our teams and committee's at St. Andrew's. The Branches of Ministry encompass the following:

- Worship & Nurture
- Mission & Outreach
- Finance & Operations
- Pastoral Care

This year the Session will continue to work and define how the Branches of Ministry will shape the way we live out God's call within our own lives, our community and globally.

### **Child Care**

Each week our nursery is staffed to allow parents an opportunity to worship knowing their children are being cared for. At St. Andrew's we follow the Presbyterian Church in Canada's *Leading with Care Policy* to ensure that a safe and nurturing atmosphere is provided.

If you have questions or concerns about the nursery or this policy please speak to Rev. Ellis or Mary Jones.

If you feel called to a ministry of caring for our children please speak to Rev. Ellis about how you can get involved.

### **Greeters are Needed!**

Greeters are needed to welcome people to worship on Sunday morning. If you feel called to this ministry of hospitality please speak to Joy Randall or Rev. Ellis.

### **Fund Scrip**

Fund Scrip is an ongoing fundraising initiative at St. Andrew's. Purchase Gift Cards to your favourite shops and a percentage of the sale goes to St. Andrew's.

Gift Cards are available every Sunday after church at Coffee and Conversation!

### **Chancel Choir**

The Chancel Choir will resume practice on Thursday Sept. 4th at 7p.m. We want to encourage you to join us! We hope you will consider this seriously and take up the challenge. Sing with a joyful heart and enjoy our time on Thursday nights and Sunday. Pray we will all grow together in our love of music and praise God with our cheerful voices!

Speak with Carolyn Hyma if you are interested in adding your voice to the choir.

### **WMS**

The WMS meets in the Allen Room on Monday Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 p.m. and every fourth Monday each month. Everyone is welcome to join us for this time to study our call to mission and outreach.

Contact Cecilia Morris for more information.

### **WA**

The WA meets again the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30p.m. in the Allen Room. Come and enjoy this time together with other women of our church. Please remember to save your pennies and stamps- jars are available in the narthex.

Contact Marg Johns for more information.

### **Neighbour Link**

**"Souper" Kitchen** begins again on Thursday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Please contact Mary Jane Pocock if you are interested in being a volunteer in this outreach program.

**Donations of Hygienic items for their clients** toothbrushes, toothpaste, soaps, combs hand lotions, etc can be put in the basket in the narthex to be distributed as needed.

### **Fare Share**

Fare Share still is in need of food donations on a regular basis. They appreciate the amount we send to them. The second Sunday is for Fare share but any Sunday is great!

### **Waterfront Festival**

In July St. Andrew's raised approximately \$3000. While numbers might have been down the hard work and dedication of all the volunteers who helped that weekend is greatly appreciated. We all had a busy but great time serving others and ourselves!

### **St. Andrew's Website**

Our website has undergone an update to make it user friendly and accessible. You are encouraged to subscribe to the website. Doing so will provide updates via email which will include Sunday's Sermon, Weekly Prayers and News about the work St. Andrew's is involved in. Speak with Rev. Ellis if you have any questions about the website.

Website: [standrewscobourg.org](http://standrewscobourg.org)