The Sundays of May

Ascension Sunday

Sunday, May 1, 10:30 a.m. After the church school present an interpretation of the events of Easter, we celebrate how Jesus ascended into glory, opening the way for us (Luke 23:50-53). And we gather with the risen, reigning Lord in Holy Communion.

Happy the Home ...

Sunday, May 8, 10:30 a.m. Come early for a by-request hymn sing at 10:10 a.m. in the sanctuary. And then, on this Christian Family Sunday, we will pray for our families and consider where we might find happiness and healing.

Pentecost

Sunday, May 15, 10:30 a.m. We remember how the Holy Spirit descended to raise up the Church, 'and day by day the Lord added to their number ... ' (Acts 2:47). We rejoice as the Holy Spirit brings to us new members, and gather for a congregational pot luck lunch.

Trinity

Sunday, May 22, 10:30 a.m. On this long weekend, we will lift up some of the great hymns of our faith, praising God as the ultimate community of life and love, Father Son and Holy Spirit.

Hear then the Parable of the Sower ...

Sunday May 29, 10:30 a.m. As we spend more time in our gardens, a word comes particularly close (Matthew 13:18-23). And Marilyn McLean will bring greetings from the Kingston Street Mission.

Also ...

How To Spell Presbyterian

Sunday May 1, noon. Interested in learning about the peculiar ways and thoughts of the Presbyterian Church? Join the Minister in the Polson Davis Room after the service.

Residence Chapel Services

Our minister will be services at two residences: Rideaucrest on Sunday May 8 at 1:15 and 2 p.m., and The Royale on Tuesday May 10 at 11 a.m. If you would be interested in supporting the singing or reading a passage of scripture and sharing the care of Christ, please speak to the minister.

200th Anniversary Committee

Thursday May 12, 4:30 p.m. A group is getting together to share ideas about how to celebrate the year 2017-18. Come and contribute some additional inspiration – speak to Donna Delacretaz for details.

Women's Missionary Society

Monday May 16, 1:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. Join us as we gather to support the mission of the church, with a particular emphasis this term on work in Guatemala.

Morning Bible Study

Thursday May 19, 10 a.m. Join us as we read Paul's letter to the Philippians, led by the Minister. 'Rejoice in the Lord always ... Do not worry about anything' (Philippians 4:2-9). No biblical knowledge or previous experience of Bible Study necessary!

Reception of New Members

There are different ways of relating to this congregation. Being a 'friend' is a casual relationship. An 'adherent' is one who is regular in attendance and supports the ministry of the Church. A 'member' is one who has been moved to make St. Andrew's their church home. If you feel that you could grow in Christian faith, fellowship and service with the people of St. Andrew's, you would be welcome! We will be receiving new members on Sunday May 15. Please speak to any Elder or the Minister for details, by May 8th.

Session – May 9, 7 p.m. Do you have suggestions for the life of the congregation? Please speak to an Elder or the Minister.

Property and Maintenance Committee -

May 30, 7 p.m. If you have comments concerning the maintenance or renovation of our church home, please pass them on to Peter Trudeau, convenor.

Advance Notice ...

Saturday June 18 – Another Doors Open Kingston and we will be welcoming the community into this sanctuary of heritage and beauty. If you might be able to assist for either the morning or afternoon shift, please speak to the Minister.

Sunday June 19, noon – Congregational meeting to received audited statements and consider structural projects.

Sunday June 26 – Our annual outdoor service and BBQ. Bring some sunshine, and a lawn chair if you can.

Bells

Morning Prayers

Tower Bells



St. Andrew's is blessed with Kingston's only full peal of 9 bronze bells - come and learn how to pull them and share some joy with all along Princess Street. All you need to know is how to count (and climb the stairs!).

Saturdays May 14 and 21, 11 a.m. Come to one, and even better, both. (6 have already signed on)

Hand Bells

Weekly practices will be held weekly beginning May 11, 7:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. Six have signed up and at least three more ringers are needed - 'I would encourage those who read music to come and bring a friend' – John Hall. The hope is to have a piece ready to share with the congregation at the outdoor service on Sunday June 26th. (5 have already signed, and at least another 3 are needed)





The will of God be done by us; The law of God be kept by us; Our evil will controlled by us; Our sharp tongue checked by us; Quick forgiveness offered by us; Speedy repentance made by us; Temptation sternly shunned by us; Blessed death welcomed by us; Angels' music heard by us; God's highest praises sung by us.

Let us go forth,

In the goodness of our merciful Father, In the gentleness of our brother Jesus, In the truth of the all-knowing Spirit, In the learning of the apostles, In the joyful praise of the angels, In the patience of the saints, In the self-control of the martyrs.

Such is the path for all servants of Christ, The path from death to eternal life.

> Celtic Prayers, Robert van de Weyer

The Days of May



The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (2 Corinthians 13:13)

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