

Fall 2013

Brookfield Pastoral Charge

Message from the Minister . . .

Greetings Friends,

I thank you for the opportunity and privilege of ministering to you and with you. You have welcomed me warmly as your interim minister and I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me. Over the next ten months I hope to get to know most of you much better than I do today. I hope to become more acquainted with most of you from our times together in worship and at various meetings. But I also hope to meet others by visits to your homes. I want to prioritize these visits to those who are housebound, sick at home or in hospital, in senior's residences or nursing homes, and any with special needs. To do this ministry I will need your help. Please provide me with the names of those whom you feel will appreciate a visit from their minister.

My office hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9:30—12 noon at Knox or at other times by appointment. The telephone number at the minister's study is 673-2075 and you can contact me there during those hours or on my cell phone 890-1225. Monday will be my day off each week, except where Monday is a holiday, Tuesday will be my day off. I look forward to hearing from you and ministering to you.

I also look forward to seeing most of you joining us for worship each Sunday. We grow in faith when we come together as a church family to worship God. In worship our church family connects more fully with one another, and our life together is strengthened. Our spirits connect with God's spirit as we worship and our spiritual being is nurtured and fed. We are uplifted and empowered to be what God would have us be and do in our time and place.

This newsletter contains information of special services and other fall events that will enhance our communal life. I hope you will join us in our worship and our work.

Your brother in Christ,

Rev. Boyd



From the Chair of Executive Council

Although it was an active and eventful summer for the church, I hope you had a good summer and had a chance to relax. The Executive Council met last week and there are a lot of activities planned for this fall. There is a need for additional support with the various committees and in particular, Worship, Continuing Education, Mission and Property, and also representation on Presbytery. If you are interested in helping with these, please contact Myrna Clarke, Russell Bradley or Janet Burnett.

As we go into the fall, I would also like to encourage you to consider using monthly pre-authorized remittances (PAR). It doesn't have to be the only way you contribute to the church (you can still use the other means), forms are available to initiate the process, it is a fairly easy to set up and changes can be quickly made if your circumstances change. It simplifies the collection process, it provides the church with a steady and dependable revenue stream making it a little easier to manage ongoing operations.

Respectfully submitted,

David Percival

Fall Worship Services

October 6	Worldwide Communion Sunday
October 13	Thanksgiving Sunday
October 20	Regular Worship
October 27	Regular Worship
November 3	Regular Worship
November 10	Remembrance Sunday
November 17	Regular Worship



Sunday School at Knox

Sunday School registration will take place on Sunday, September 22nd and classes will begin on Sunday, October 6, 2013. We are always looking for volunteers to help teach and participate in special events so if you are able to give of your time it would be most welcome! Please contact Stacey Harrison at 673-3491 or aharrison@ns.sympatico.ca. Thank you!



Choir at Knox

- Cherub Choir (ages 3 to grade 3) - Sunday after Church starting September 29, 2013
- Senior Choir - Thursday at 8:00 pm. New members welcome.

Upcoming Events at Knox

Weekly Events

Yoga - Tuesday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. For more information contact Deborah Matheson (650-2128)

Explorers (Girls in Grades 4 to 6) - Wednesday from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Beginning Oct. 2nd, 2013

Senior Choir - Thursday at 8:00 pm. New members welcome.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 26, 2013 - Turkey Supper

Saturday, November 2, 2013 - UCW Fall Bazaar and Luncheon

- The Annual U.C.W.'s Christmas Luncheon will see some changes this year; the name and the date will both be changed. This year's event will be called "Fall Bazaar and Luncheon" and will be held on Sat., Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The "Bazaar" will feature different areas including "Preserve Cupboard", "Jewelry Box", "Craft Shop", "Nana's China Cupboard", "Silent Auction", "Sweet Shop", "Cookie Table", "Bake Shop" and hopefully "Children's Corner". We are inviting our congregations to help make this change an exciting and rewarding one. You can all help by donating jams, jellies, new crafts, new decorations, your "tired" jewelry and china or by baking candy, fudge, bread, pies, cookies, cakes, squares and sweet breads. All non-perishable items can be left anytime after October 1 in the designated bins in the entries of both churches. Perishable items can be left in Knox Church Hall on Friday, Nov. 1 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. and on Saturday, Nov. 2 between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. The "Luncheon" menu will remain the same, the delicious Chicken a la King!

Monday, November 11, 2013 - Remembrance Day Luncheon

Friday, November 29 & Saturday, November 30 - Christmas House Tours

- Unit 3 is seeking homes and volunteer workers for the annual Christmas Home Tours. The Tours along with the gifts collected for the Christmas Index Program, provide support for the church and to those who need some help with Christmas expenses. Please call 673-2427 or 673-2812 if interested.



Congratulations Wayne!

Wayne Woolfitt was named "Maritimer of the Week" by CTV, on Sept. 13th. He was recognized for his ongoing fundraising efforts for the Terry Fox Foundation. Over the past seven years Wayne has single-handedly raised \$30,000. for Cancer Research. Wayne walks anywhere from 4 to 10 k's a day, knocking on doors all over the area, raising awareness and money for the Brookfield Area Terry Fox Run.

Congratulations Wayne, keep up the good work!

At Middle Stewiacke . . .

From the Organist:

The Middle Stewiacke Senior Choir is always open for new members to join. Also, I would like to explore the willingness for a Junior Choir to sing once a month and in addition, would like to offer an invitation to anyone within the church to perform a solo or accompaniment, regardless of age. This invitation is to encourage people to come forward and express their talents for the enjoyment of the church. Please contact Tim Ross at 673-2811 if you have any questions or express an interest in performing in the church.

From the Friendship Club:

The Friendship Club meets on the last Saturday of each Month. Please watch the bulletin for location and time or contact Elaine Ross at 673-2793 for more details.

About the Sunday School:

Sunday School has resumed classes! Middle Stewiacke United Church offers Sunday School during our Sunday service (11:15-12:15). We have two dedicated teachers who lead classes for young people of Elementary and High School ages. A nursery is also offered for toddlers and preschoolers. *There will be no classes on September 29th so the children will remain upstairs for a Family Sunday on that date.*



A CHILD DESCRIBES GOD

Excerpts from a Third Grader's Homework Assignment:

One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die so there will be enough people to take care of things here on earth. He doesn't make grown-ups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way, He doesn't have to take up His valuable time teaching them to talk and walk, He can just leave that to mothers and fathers.

God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting His time by going over your parent's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.