Sign-up Now!

Did you know that at St. Andrew's we have more than twenty committees and interest groups? Did you know that there is always a need for more people to join these committees and interest groups? Do you have an interest or a passion that would allow you to spend some time in any of these committees or interest groups? We encourage you to participate in these groups.

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Come and Find Your Place...

Interest Group Information Brochure

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Our Vision

To live as Christ would have us live, in love, with compassion and seeking justice, by sharing God's grace, learning from scripture, growing through the Spirit and being transformed by faith.

1. Affirming Group: The Affirming Group was responsible for an education program to help the Congregation understand what it means to be an Affirming Ministry. As a continuing part of its mandate the Group attempts to encourage an ongoing understanding of what it means to be affirming and to evaluate the programs at St Andrew's for inclusivity. The group is open to new members and new ideas.
2. Anna Blair Circle: The Anna Blair Circle (ABC) is very lovingly named after Anna Blair, a wonderful previous member of our church is similar to the UCW. We do not have a membership. Everyone is welcome in the group and to participate in all the functions. The monthly functions are social in nature and promote fellowship and camaraderie. Some events such as the Valentine Bake Sale raise funds for the church.
3. Bible Study: This group meets Tuesday mornings at 9:30am in the Lounge. Come along and have a cup of coffee/tea (IT"S FREE)!! and then dig into the scripture passages which will be the focus on the upcoming Sunday. Drop in anytime – there will always be a chair waiting!
4. Book Club: The Book Club is a group of book lovers who come together to discuss a book. We meet on Wednesday evenings, approximately every five to seven weeks, usually working our schedule out to suit those attending. Anyone is welcome to attend and discuss the book.
5. Caring Community: Responsible for overseeing pastoral care. In collaboration with ministerial staff, visits to the sick and to those experiencing personal or family crises are conducted.
6. Centering Prayer: Centering Prayer is one form of Christian Meditation based on this ancient practice of prayer that dates back from before Christ, was taught by Christ and continues today. Newcomers are always welcome to the bi-weekly meetings. The group is there to help them learn and grow in the practice.
7. Choir: We currently have two choirs at St. Andrew's—the Handbell Choirand Senior Choir. Any interested singers or musicians, please contact the church office.
8. Christian Education: We are a small group that is here to help one another grow. We are here to aid the Christian development of children and youth through teamwork and enjoyable learning experiences.
9. Fellowship: Develop methods and programs to foster fellowship among the members of the congregation, to encourage and assist other church groups with similar programs.
10. Finance: Supervise, approve and authorize disbursement of funds of the congregation in accordance with the approved budget. Plan for the financial needs of the congregation.
11. Foundation: The St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Foundation was created for the purpose of receiving donations, bequests, and memorial gifts in trust for the church, to manage and preserve the capital and to provide income for the church in perpetuity for the work and mission of the church.
12. Governance Group: The Governance Group has been meeting for the past 3 years. The work resulted in the development of a different Governance Structure moving from a formal Board to a Service Team. The Group will continue its work engaging in evaluation of the model for the next AGM as well as researching and communicating with Winnipeg Presbytery in order to bring about a permanent change in the model. If you are interested in Governance and would like to give some of your time and talent to the group, please let any member of the group know.
13. Greeters/Ushers: How important is a first impression when entering a place of worship either as a visitor or as a returning member? The answer is a resounding 'very important'. Greeters and ushers are recognized as a valuable ministry at St. Andrew's. Put your name on our list to be a greeter or usher and we'll contact you. No meetings!
14. Hand Bell Choir: St. Andrew's is very fortunate to have a wonderful hand bell choir that graces our worship service 3 or 4 times per year. Regular compliments are forthcoming about how grand it is to hear bells resounding in the sanctuary. If you would like to be a member of this exciting and interesting group., please contact our Hand Bell Choir director.
15. Meals on Wheels: St. Andrew's is responsible for staffing Route 4 five days/week. Deliveries are done in pairs and take less than an hour of your time. Training is available if you would like to volunteer.
16. Nominating: The Nominating group consists of the past chair of the Service Team, the current Chair and Vice Chair and one member at large. The group utilises the expertise of the Ministers and the other members of the Service team to identify possible candidates for positions of leadership at St Andrew's. If you are interested in leadership at St Andrew's and want to offer your talents, please contact any member of the group to express interest.
17. Outreach: The Outreach mandate is to give leadership and encourage action on behalf of the congregation in dealing with social justice matters as well as to encourage outreach into the community. We meet on an 'as needs basis.' This is a friendly, welcoming group.
18. Prayer Shawls & Baptism Shawls: Prayer Shawls are knit by volunteers and presented to those in need either because of illness and/or grief. Baptism blankets are knit by volunteers from a specific pattern, using white wool provided by the church.
19. Property & Administration: Maintain all real and personal property owned by the congregation. Plan for the future needs of the congregation with respect to property, equipment and services.. New members welcome!
20. Stewardship: Provide continuing education in Christian stewardship and mission for the congregation. Encourage Christian stewardship of time, talents and resources.
21. Worship: Provide for administration of the sacraments, establish the order of public worship services, plan for the future worship and music needs of the various ages and interest groups in the congregation.
22. Volunteers Needed: We are always looking for volunteers to make refreshments on Sunday mornings, sell tickets, help with fundraisers, deliver flyers, etc. If you are interested in helping out, let us know!

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