

May 26th - October 13th, 2024

St Andrew's United TALENT HARVEST



*"Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."
~ Matthew 13: 8*

God has given us each a set of unique talents and abilities. These talents define our individuality and shape our identities. From athleticism and musical prowess to artistic flair, mechanical aptitude, culinary skills, and the ability to entertain, every individual is born with innate gifts. **And yes, without a doubt, that includes you.**

You don't have to take my word for it either - the Bible clearly states in the first half of Romans 12:6, "*We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us.*" That's a promise we can confidently rely on! People of all ages, talents, and abilities are warmly invited to participate in this enjoyable **FUNdraiser!**"

JOIN IN THE FUN!

On May 26th, we're kicking off St. Andrew's TALENT HARVEST, and I encourage each of you to make a commitment to participate.

The aim is to harness your talents and, throughout the summer, cultivate and share them with others, all while earning extra funds for our church.

On May 26th, participants will be given a \$10 seed fund. Yes, you read that right—the church is providing funds! This money is designated to kickstart your chosen project. For instance, let's say I use my seed money of \$10 to purchase supplies for making homemade cookies, which I then sell after church. After expenses, I make a profit of \$20. Instead of keeping the profit, I reinvest it in more supplies, enabling me to bake more cookies and generate further profit. This reinvestment multiplies my earnings, allowing my seed money to grow as I nurture my talent. Then, on Thanksgiving Day, I joyfully return the money that has flourished from my skill back to the church community.

Here are some other ideas to spark your imagination for using your God-given talents:

- Create and sell calendars featuring your own photographs.
- Make and sell artwork, greeting cards, mittens, crafts, or other unique creations.
- Buy actual seeds and then cultivate a garden, harvest the produce, and sell fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs or flowers.
- Offer homemade meals, baked goods, or host dinner events showcasing your culinary skills.
- Provide services such as handiwork, babysitting, or yard work to those in your community.
- Make perseveres and sell them.
- Buy a can of paint and utilize your painting skills by offering to paint rooms in people's homes for a fee.
- Design and sell custom t-shirts.
- Provide tutoring or coaching services in subjects or skills you excel at, whether it's academics, music, sports, or a specialized hobby.
- Offer pet-sitting or dog-walking services for busy pet owners in your neighborhood.

There will be a TALENT HARVEST booth set up in the Sanctuary for individuals to advertise and sell their creations. Additionally, don't forget about the power of social media—utilize platforms like Facebook to spread the word about your talent to friends and neighbours!