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In what ways has St. Andrew's impacted your life or fostered spiritual growth this year?

In December we invited the St Andrews community to participate in a survey that included this question. Here are some of the responses:

- It's **challenged me to grow as a leader, and think about the Bible in a fresh way**, provided accountability
- It has shown me that church can be more than just a place you go with a lot of people to hear a sermon and have a sing-a-long.
- **Let's just say I figured out that I want to follow Jesus & God**
- St. Andrews has been an encouragement to us spiritually, has fostered meaningful spiritual conversation with my wife and children, has offered opportunity for service and places where my teens want to be involved.
- **The relationships I've built have practically saved me from myself.**
- I have just barely started coming to this church but it makes me think more about God.
- St. Andrew's has provided me with a great community and some of my closest friends in Burlington. I enjoy reflecting on the lessons each Sunday and learning from other members of the congregation through their sharings.
- **It has given me an area to ask questions**
- St Andrew's has been a blessing for me. Most of my friends have no interest in church or God or religion; at St Andrew's I have people with whom I can share this experience. Community is a great thing.
- It has made me hopeful as I had looked for a spiritual home for a long time in this area and not found another that feels so connected to me.
- **I've taken some faith steps and am trusting God to use me to make a change.** Also, it is very convicting seeing all the new people and the people on the edges... and seeing people love them actively.
- **Coming to St. Andrews has made me want to become a part of the church community.**
- I've been unjudgementally accepted here when it seemed no other place wanted me that much. I go through a lot of issues and they've been patient and supportive.
- **reminds me of the need to be pursuing a deeper relationship with God in the context of community,** continues to challenge me with opportunities to be connected to individuals who are different than myself and in different life situations/stages

Thank you for being part of this adventure of ministry with us! Your gifts, prayers, and encouragement are a vital part of these stories.

Thanks!

Brian, Janet & Ian Barclay

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