

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Martha Fergusson

Guest Organist: Andy de Beer

Guest Hymn Leader: Donna Fenton

April 10th, 2022

Palm/Passion Sunday

"In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus."

– Philippians 2: 5

As we gather, we are mindful of the fact that we meet on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Treaty Six First Nations and the traditional home of the Métis.

We are grateful for the hospitality we have received as settlers in this place and recommit ourselves to the work of reconciliation and building good relations with the First Peoples of this land.



Preparation for Worship:

As the Christ Candle is lit, we invite you to observe a time of quiet reflection prior to our service

Welcome and Announcements

-Martha Fergusson

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: Lenten Insert

-Rachel & Mabel Kotei

Praise:

"All glory, laud and honour"

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All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.

All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips on children made sweet hosannas ring! The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips on children made sweet hosannas ring! To thee before thy passion they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

All glory, laud and honour to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips on children made sweet hosannas ring! Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

**We confess it is easier for us to follow the crowd
than follow Christ;
we prefer to avoid conflict
rather than stand up for your mercy and understanding.
We allow strident voices in our times
to drown out your wisdom and truth.
Forgive us, O God.
Fill us with the courage to take up our cross and follow Jesus,
even when the cost to follow is high
and reputations are at stake,
for we pray in Jesus' holy name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Praise:

"Hosanna, loud hosanna"

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Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang. To Jesus, who had held them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed amid the shouting crowd, the victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud; Messiah, God's anointed, rode there in humble state, "Hosanna in the highest!" rang out their praises great.

"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King. Oh may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in God's joyful presence eternally rejoice!

(Children leave for Church School by the back of the sanctuary)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Luke 22: 24-28

Philippians 2: 5-11

-Mabel Kotei

-Rachel Kotei

-Mabel & Rachel Kotei

-Martha Fergusson

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon:

"Where does this week find you?"

-Martha Fergusson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Doxology (#830) and Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below:
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Offertory "God So Loved the World" John 3: 16-17 Organ/Piano Duet – John Stainer

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: "May the mind of Christ my Saviour" #644

May the mind of Christ my Saviour live in me from day to day, Jesus' love and power controlling all I do or say.

May the word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour so that all may see I triumph only through God's power.

May the peace of God my Sovereign rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me, as the waters fill the sea; Christ exalting, self denying, this is victory.

May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.

Benediction

A-men, a-men, a- - - men

Postlude: "Triumphal Entry"

-Noel Rawsthorne



Announcements

The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli is leading worship in Melfort this morning.



Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday Service, with Communion, at Calvin-Goforth

Friday, April 15 at 10:30 am – Good Friday Service at St. Andrew's

Sunday, April 17 at 11 am – Easter Sunday Service, with Communion, at St. Andrew's



We are very happy to be meeting in person again! Face masks are required within the church building. Sanitizer is available at several locations in the church, and social distancing is encouraged. Live streaming is available on the website, www.standrews-saskatoon.com for those who are worshipping from home.



Presbyterian World Service & Development

Annual Lenten Appeal

Every year, special focus goes towards PWS&D during Lent, this time of spiritual reflection in preparation for Easter. This year, the Stewardship Committee has decided to highlight current international needs due to natural disasters. The current PWS&D focus is on the January flood in Malawi caused by Tropical Storm Ana, a catastrophe that has not received any attention during the current busy news cycle. See the newsletter for more detail. Please prayerfully consider your Lenten offering to this dire need. Mark your offering with PWS&D-Lenten appeal.



The next **FundScrip** order is due **TODAY SUNDAY**, April 10th. Help earn money for St. Andrew's without spending any extra cash! Buy grocery or gas gift cards for stores and gas stations where you already shop, and St. Andrew's will receive a percentage of the sale! Contact Arline Sanderson (306-955-0610) for full details. Orders must be made through Arline, but payment goes through the church office. Please clearly mark payments "FundScrip".



MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA. Treat your Mother, Aunt or Good Friend to an enjoyable British-style Afternoon Tea.

On Saturday May 7th 2022, between 1:45 and 4pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, on the corner of Spadina Cres and 20th St. Tickets are \$20 each or \$35 for two, if treating a Mother. Reservations are required. To book a reservation, contact Sandra standrews.afternoontea@gmail.com or

call 306-260-7734. Seating is limited so book early. The Proceeds from this Tea will go towards the purchase of an AED for the church.

CHURCH PARKING - LET'S WORK TOGETHER! BOARD OF MANAGERS

Some years ago, the church started to rent parking spots to generate new revenue. At the Annual General Meeting this year, the rental of the last 4 north facing numbered parking spots was approved. (non-church spots located facing the condos). The unnumbered/congregational spots on the south (church) side of the building have NOT been rented. This activity will generate an additional \$7200 of needed income each year. With this in mind, please be reminded that there is NO day time parking on the far side of the lot. Also, during the past months of Covid, the church has been empty and people have gotten out of the habit of using a St. Andrew's sticker when using the congregational parking spots. The use of this sticker requires that the model and licence of your vehicle be registered with the church office.



We are returning to more life as normal. This means that there will be days when, due to a combination of church staff, music and other rehearsals, and maintenance issues, when **ALL** of the spots next to the church building are full - as they were one day last week. It would be ideal, if you know that you would like to occasionally park at the church, if you call the office to find out if parking is available. Everyone being as courteous as possible will go a long way toward avoiding a situation where someone nips in to an apparently vacant paid spot, only to have the renter return from lunch and have no where to park! We appreciate your cooperation in implementing these parking lot goals.

\$10 parking stickers are available through the church office during the week, or from a Board member on Sundays.

Courtesy parking is available on Sunday mornings next door, at the underground parkade of the Delta Marriott Hotel. A parking pass must be displayed on your dashboard. Ask for a pass from a helpful person in the entranceway.

The 2021 statistics show that St. Andrew's has a congregation of **158**. Dorothy has received contact information for **64**. You will have noticed that Worship is returning to what it used to be, before COVID. People are again reading Scripture, greeting, ushering, collecting the offering. Hopefully, a return to a coffee/fellowship time after Worship will also be in our future. We want to create schedules again, for the people willing to help in these areas. The best way for us to know who you are, and how you're willing to help, is for you to fill out the **CONTACT INFORMATION FORM**. Even if you're sure nothing has changed, **PLEASE** fill it out, and return. *So much information was lost when the computer crashed in 2020, so we may not have the information you think we do.* Thank you so much!



There are hard copies available on the entranceway table. If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, or a form e-mailed to you, please contact the church office. We are so close to using the new PowerChurch program, and the last step is confirming everything about you!

The **ONLINE WORSHIP COMMITTEE** needs volunteers to assist with live streaming of church services on Sundays at St Andrews. No particular technical skills are required; there will be "on-going, on the job" training every Sunday. There is a sign-up sheet at the Church office, please call if you are interested and feel led to serve the church in this way. Thank you.



AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Apr/May/Jun Suggested donation: \$3.00.
- * Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * The latest edition of *Saints Alive*, the church newsletter
- * Contact Information Forms

Missed out on a worship service?

If you are looking for a service you missed, or want to see information in a previous bulletin, simply follow these steps:

- 1) Visit standrews-saskatoon.com
- 2) Scroll down just below this week's video until you see the date of the service you are looking for and click on it
- 3) You can now click the video box to watch the service and the "(date)_bulletin" to see the bulletin

In Our Wider Community



UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL

The invasion of Ukraine has created a humanitarian crisis. This devastating conflict has already displaced hundreds of thousands of people. The most urgent needs are for food, water and shelter.

To help respond quickly to the escalating situation, PWS&D is receiving donations for Ukraine.

As a member of ACT Alliance and Canadian Foodgrains Bank, we are well placed to provide

urgently needed food and non-food support.

Through the ACT Alliance, PWS&D is supporting Hungarian Interchurch Aid (HIA) as they respond to the ever-changing situation in Ukraine. Since the beginning of March, HIA has been responding to both Ukrainians who have fled the country into Hungary, as well as those displaced within Ukraine. In Ukraine, The Presbyterian Church in Canada partners with the Transcarpathian Reformed Church.

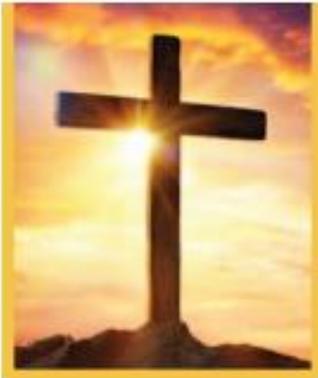
Refugees and displaced people are receiving cash assistance and emergency mental health and psychosocial support. In total, Hungarian Interchurch Aid will assist 14,000 households.

PWS&D is helping them provide emergency food assistance and other essential non-food aid, including hygiene kits and medical supplies. HIA is also helping to restore emergency basic services in Ukraine, including sanitation and drinking water.

If you want to respond to this crisis, please mark your cheque/envelope/online donation with Ukrainian crisis. Alternately, donate directly to PWS&D through

<https://presbyterian.ca/donate/donate-to-ukraine-crisis-appeal/>





Palm/Passion Sunday

Produced by Presbyterian World Service & Development

One: During Lent, we remember that when life seems to change direction, God is offering a new way of being.

All: Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey as the Messiah.

One: Instead of entering triumphantly as a victorious king, he came humbly offering peace.

All: The crowd would change from shouting, "Hosanna" to "Crucify."

One: They hoped that the Messiah would come to defeat the Romans.

All: But Jesus came to defeat sin and death itself.

One: Let us pray.

All: Holy One, blessed are you for you come among us offering new life. We recognize that we can be blinded by our expectations and are too often unwilling to see your different and better ways. Open us to the truth that there is more to your reality than we can see or understand. In the name of Christ, who is able to accomplish far more than we can ask or imagine, Amen.



Shining Hospital Provides More Than Medicine in Nepal

It had been three years since Devika visited the hospital close to her home in Rukum district, Nepal, to get her leg checked out.

"These don't work," she would think, day after day, about the medicines the doctor had prescribed to her without giving her a diagnosis.

One day, after noticing more problems on her skin, Devika visited another clinic. Then she tried a traditional healer. As her symptoms continued to worsen, the answer seemed impossible to find.

After a friend praised the help she received at the PWS&D-supported Shining Hospital, Devika decided to visit.

The professionals at the Shining Hospital helped Devika understand she had leprosy and provided her with the medicine she needed.

Reflecting on her experience, Devika said, "[The hospital] has helped me a lot to detect my disease and I am very pleased to receive all the treatment and support. I am really grateful."

This Lenten season faithfully respond to Christ's call to provide care and restore hope to those who are suffering. Through support of PWS&D, we are helping people build healthy lives.

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Penjani Sichinga holds a special place in his heart for the David Gordon Memorial Hospital (DGMH) in northern Malawi, where he has worked since 2004, though not everyone shares this passion. DGMH is a rural mission that serves a population of 120,000; and due to its remote location, poor accommodation and few incentives, the hospital sees a high staff turnover rate, especially among doctors. Penjani received encouragement and support from the Synod of Livingstonia Health Department to pursue medical studies to become a certified doctor. He finished his studies in 2021, and thanks to support from Presbyterians Sharing, is now working on completing an internship at the Livingstonia University Teaching Hospital in Zambia. After Penjani completes his final medical training requirement, he will return to work at DGMH—but this time as a fully certified doctor!



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, April 10 (Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday) As we enter Holy Week, we pray that God will stir up within us gifts of hope, love, faith and understanding so that we can serve and praise God in our lives.

Monday, April 11 We pray for Penjani Sichinga and the hardworking staff of the David Gordon Memorial Hospital as they serve the rural population of northern Malawi.

Tuesday, April 12 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Cedar Tree Ministries on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Wednesday, April 13 We give thanks and pray for those involved in the Women's Missionary Society "Come Together" online events, allowing WMS members to worship together for Easter.

Thursday, April 14 (Maundy Thursday) We pray that God blesses the church with a renewed and greater awareness of Christ's commandment to love one another as he loved us.

Friday, April 15 (Good Friday) We pray for the church and that God will keep it faithful in worship, humble in service, gracious in spirit, grounded in truth and persistent in proclaiming the good news of the gospel.

Saturday, April 16 (Holy Saturday) On this day, Jesus rests in the grave. We pray for trust in the resurrection and the power of new life.