ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli
Guest Preacher: The Rev. Devon Pattemore
Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan
Organist: Paul Suchan
Guest Musician: Brianna Burtt, Soprano
April 12th, 2026

2nd Sunday of Easter

"You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence..."
– Psalm 16: 11

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.
Prelude: Morning Prayer – Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)

Welcome and Announcements - Martha Fergusson

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

In the midst of fear and uncertainty, Jesus came and stood among his friends.
We come today, longing for his presence and his peace.
He spoke to them, saying, "Peace be with you."
We open our hearts to receive his peace.
He showed them his hands and his side, the marks of love that conquered death.
We believe - even when we have questions.
To Thomas, he said, "Do not doubt, but believe."
We proclaim with joy: "My Lord and my God!"
Blesses are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.
We gather in faith, we worship in hope, and we live in the peace of the Risen Christ.
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"Now the green blade rises"*** ***#256***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

Merciful Lord,
We come before You in humility, remembering how the disciples hid behind locked doors in fear.
We confess that we, too, often close the doors of our hearts—
afraid of the unknown, hesitant to trust,

slow to believe in Your power to bring life out of death.
Like Thomas, we have wanted proof before offering our faith.
We have doubted Your presence in our pain,
Your power in our weakness,
and Your peace in our chaos.
Forgive us for the times we have trusted our fears more than Your promises.
Risen Christ, breathe on us again.
Fill us with Your Spirit so that our doubts may give way to faith,
our fear to courage, and our hesitation to joyful obedience.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and our God. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time

Praise: ***"I danced in the morning/Lord of the dance"*** ***#250***

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.

(Children leave for church school)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 2: 14a, 22-32 - Beth Brimner

Psalm 16 Refrain 1

1 Peter 1: 3-9

John 20: 19-31 - The Rev. Devon Pattemore

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Doubting Thomas" - The Rev. Devon Pattemore

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Oh Had I Jubal's Lyre, from *Joshua* – George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

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 Prayer

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: ***"Thine be the glory"*** ***#258***

Benediction

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

Postlude: Consolation – Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Greeters & Collectors: Terry & Anne Drover, Sharon Wiseman, Angie Smibert

Coffee Hosts: AGM Potluck

NOTICE of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Saskatoon – **Annual General Meeting - TODAY**



Sunday, April 12, 2026 12:30 pm
Potluck beginning following the service
AGM beginning at 1:15 pm
In person in the Sanctuary OR
By Zoom:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84264158158?pwd=fGGNmIZBrVEodWDz1Osqr1gJs9iCJN.1

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Copies of the Annual Report and financial statements are available on the entranceway table.

We Need Prayer and Nomination

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Session is announcing that the "**Call for Eldership"** is before the congregation. Eldership" is a spiritual function as is the ministry". The qualifications include being a professing member of the congregation and being an example " in speech, love, faith and purity. The Session meets once a month, for the purpose of establishing good order and providing for the pastoral care of the congregation. Should **you** be interested **or know someone** who should be considered for the call to eldership please let your Session member(s) and or the Clerk of Session know by **April 20, 2026**. A letter of interest would be useful and can be emailed to the Clerk of Session: clerk@standrewsyxe.ca or to the church office: office@standrewsyxe.ca. The **Election** will take place in the later part of **May.**

Save the Date – April 19 – Pastoral Care Lunch and Learn

The Pastoral Care Committee is pleased to announce that **Krista-Dawn Kimsey of the Mustard Seed Saskatoo**n will make a presentation **on Sunday, April 19 following the worship service**. Learn how The Mustard Seed (https://theseed.ca/saskatoon-shelter), which is located in downtown Saskatoon, is helping the poor and unhoused in our community. The Pastoral Care Committee will provide lunch. Please plan to join us.

CALLING FOR SCRIPTURE READERS! Experienced, novice or first timers: the spring sign up sheet is available on the entranceway bulletin board. Pick a Sunday when you know you'll be here and sign up with your contact information. The office will contact you with the selected passages, and will flag the Bible on the lectern with the readings.

Want to donate to the church? Electronically is so easy, secure, and you have several options:

- E-transfer from your bank account, using the church email finance@standrewsyxe.ca
- Fill out a PAR form, available on the entranceway table, to have a set amount withdrawn from your bank account each month
- The church website has a donate button, and tithe.ly is the platform to help you do that
- On Sundays, there are folks available to help you with debit and credit cards

For each of these options, you are always able to direct that the funds go exactly where you'd like them to go. Any unspecified donation goes into the general category of Ministry and Maintenance. If you'd still like to put something in the offering plate, there are cards available on the entranceway table for electronic givers.

OPERATION SANDWICHES: St. Andrew's is responsible for providing sandwiches for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry's lunch program on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Help out with a "sandwich making party" in the church kitchen **following worship today**, or make a donation to help with the cost of sandwich ingredients. Just mark your donation "Operation Sandwiches", and place it in the offering plate.





A new coffee roster has been prepared for the period January through May 2026. This roster can be found on the table during coffee hour or in the kitchen afterwards. There are lots of opportunities to host available so please sign up at your convenience. Thanks to everyone who hosted during the period September to December 2025 as every Sunday was filled. Unfortunately, if the coffee roster is not filled on any given Sunday, there will be no coffee hour that day. If you have any questions, please contact Charles Roy at cl.roy@shaw.ca or cell 306-361-1976.

If you have things in your life for which you want to thank God, or things that are challenging in your life for which you need support, share it with the Prayer team of 15 people who are willing to spend time in prayer with God to support you.
All information is confidential. If you are asking for someone else, please make sure you have their permission to do so.
Share your requests and updates with the Team through Margaret Wilson by email **ma.wilson@shaw.ca** or text 306-227-7100

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- ❄ Copies of the winter issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- ❄ Contact Information Forms
- ❄ The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- ❄ PAR 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 standrewsyxe.ca
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

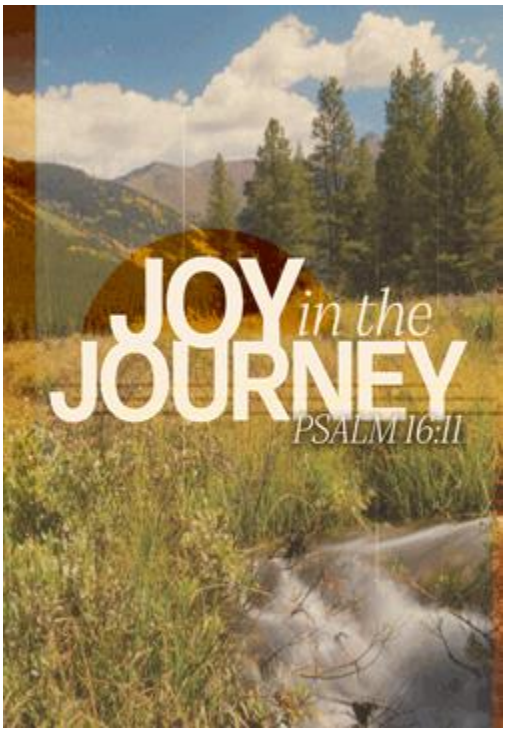
In Our Wider Community

Opportunities at **Saskatoon Native Circle Ministries**

- "Circle, Church and Culture", Wednesdays at 1:30pm
- Clothing donations – drop off 9am-3pm weekdays

See posters for more information

GoForth Hub The new schedule for the GoForth Club is available on the bulletin board in the lower hall.



MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, April 12



World Health Day aims to raise awareness about global health issues and promote actions to improve health and well-being worldwide. However, due to substantial cuts to global health funding in 2025, many communities and individuals have lost access to essential health programs. PWS&D collaborates with partners to support health initiatives in difficult environments. In Haiti, for example, PWS&D, in partnership with the Center for Nutrition and Education for Women & Children, is supporting maternal and infant malnutrition treatment and women's mental health. For Choute Philomène, 34, the program is a welcome initiative. She was glad to receive maternal health support at her home, as she had planned to skip prenatal follow-up during her pregnancy.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, April 12 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Grey-Bruce-Maitland.

Monday, April 13 In this season of resurrection we celebrate and give thanks for Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre as green appears in their fields and forests, lambs arrive in the barn, and the air is filled with the fresh smell of springtime.

Tuesday, April 14 We pray for the Change Leadership Team of the General Assembly as it explores innovative models of ministry, building on our beliefs that everyone is gifted for ministry and that Jesus shows up and equips us to be agents of hope and possibility in the world God loves.

Wednesday, April 15 Inspire, O God, those who teach and form students for ministry with enthusiasm for the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Thursday, April 16 We pray for the Rev. Sumarme Goble as she cares for the St. Andrew's Hall community in her role as Chaplain, and represents The Presbyterian Church in Canada in the Inter-Faith Chaplaincy at the University of British Columbia.

Friday, April 17 We pray for all God's people working in faith formation in congregations, camps, campuses and communities.

Saturday, April 18 We pray for caregivers of people living with dementia, for strength and care as they navigate difficult times.