

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Gillian Lyons

Choir Conductor and Soloist: Terri-Lynn Mitchell

Hymn Leader: Fran Gordon

August 8th, 2021

11th Sunday after Pentecost

"Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another." –Ephesians 4:31-32

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.

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

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship

One: Let us bless the Lord at all times;

All: We will praise God's holy name continually.

One: Look to God, and be radiant;

All: We will never be ashamed for God has delivered us from all our fears.

One: Jesus has promised whoever comes to him will never be hungry;

those who believe in him will never thirst.

All: Let us taste the Bread of Life in scripture and song. Let us worship God!

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

“Help us accept each other”

#632

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all – not just for some, to love them as we find them or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations to do the truth in love; to practice your acceptance until we know by heart the table of forgiveness and laughter’s healing art.

Lord, for today’s encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on: renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

Prayer of Confession:

**Living, forgiving God,
in Christ you promise us new life,
but we confess that we are in love with our old ways.
We nourish bitterness over disappointments;
anger can hold us hostage for years.
We find it easy to say one thing to someone’s face
and something else behind their back.
Forgive us for falling short of your hopes for us.
Free us from the captivity of old habits and resentments,
and by your grace, renew us to live for love’s sake. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Children’s Time

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM: A PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Presentation

Renunciation and Affirmation

Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Blessing

The Charge

The Apostle's Creed

#539

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Aaronic Blessing

#619

**The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be
gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you his peace.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Praise:

“Jesus the Christ said: I am the bread”

#346

Jesus the Christ said: I am the bread, the bread of life for the world am I. The bread of
life for the world am I, the bread of life for the world am I. Jesus the Christ said: I am the
bread, the bread of life for the world am I.

Jesus the Christ said: I am the shepherd, the one good shepherd of the sheep am I.
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I, the one good shepherd of the sheep am I.
Jesus the Christ said: I am the shepherd, the one good shepherd of the sheep am I.

Jesus the Christ said: I am the door, the way and the door for the poor am I. The way
and the door for the poor am I, the way and the door for the poor am I. Jesus the Christ
said: I am the door, the way and the door for the poor am I.

Jesus the Christ said: I am the life, the resurrection and the life am I. The resurrection
and the life am I, the resurrection and the life am I. Jesus the Christ said: I am the life,
the resurrection and the life am I.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

1 Kings 19: 4-8

Psalms 34: 1-8

Ephesians 4: 25- 5:2

John 6: 35, 41-51

Leader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon:

“The Bread of Life”

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

“There is a Redeemer”

-Green, arr. Kim

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.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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:

"Guide me, O thou great Redeemer"

#651

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand: bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore; feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

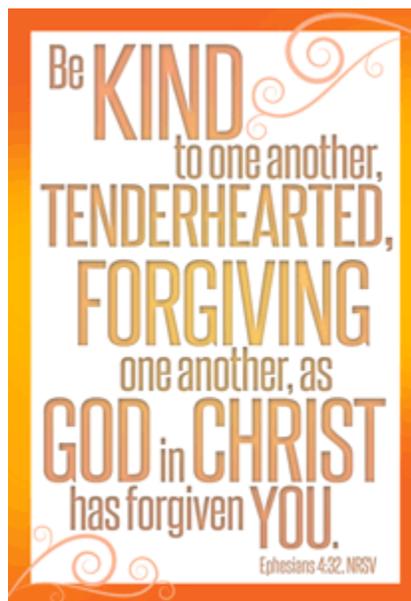
Benediction and Sung Response

Amen, Amen, A - - men.

Postlude:

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

-Spiritual, arr. Nix



Announcements

Today we rejoice and give thanks to God in joy for the opportunity to welcome Samuel Ruo as the newest member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Samuel will be leaving for Toronto to study Computer Science at U of T this Fall; we send him with all of our prayers and blessings.

ST. ANDREW'S IS OPEN FOR IN PERSON WORSHIP! Please note online worship will continue. Everyone is welcome! Currently, we are only utilizing the main part of the sanctuary, and the washrooms. Children are invited to stay in the pews with their family. The nursery is under construction, and the remainder of the lower hall is not yet open to use.



Say Goodbye to
Our Music Director

Hello St. Andrew's friends! As of September 1, 2021, I will be the new Music Director at Emmanuel Anglican Church, Saskatoon. I am excited to take on this new challenge, but I will miss all of you terribly. I have enjoyed working at St. Andrew's for the past 16 years and will have many good memories of wonderful music projects, and great congregational singing. Thank you to the choir, St. Andrew's instrumentalists, and to all of you for your support and encouraging words over the years. I would love to keep in touch - please feel free to contact me at: gillianlyons@sasktel.net

- Gillian Lyons

"Goodbyes are not forever, goodbyes are not the end. They simply mean I'll miss you, until we meet again." - *unknown*



In response to the devastating confirmation of unmarked graves on the grounds of former residential schools, and in honour of the children who were lost and all people living with the consequences of that legacy, The Presbyterian Church in Canada has established the *Honouring the Children: Reconciliation and Residential Schools Fund*. This fund will support initiatives associated with searches for unmarked burial sites in communities where schools were operated by The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Follow this link for more information. <https://presbyterian.ca/2021/07/02/honouring-the-children-fund/>



The next **FundScrip** order is due next **SUNDAY**, August 15th. 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.



Bicycle, Bicycle, BICYCLE CLUB 2021

JOIN US ON MONDAYS!

Once a week participants of all ages can arrive at the church to begin to ride at **6:30 pm.** with their bikes ready for a ride.

We are aiming to have two levels of ride offered, one group, will do a short length and the other a much more challenging route. There are at **least 3 people wanting to walk** too, so some can gather at the church and pick your route. Al Ireland brings bike experience both with the actual bikes and also great knowledge of location

trails for riding. Let Martha Fergusson, Rev. Roberto or Al Ireland know if you want to join us, or for more information. Adult volunteers are would be helpful - let us know if you are willing to help.

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



SUNDAYS

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Roots – older elementary and high school youth

Meeting ID: 867 4107 9007

Defying the Norm: Lydia Returns to School

Sexual assault, gender-based violence and teenage pregnancy are significant issues in Malawi. Lydia was only 15 years old when she became pregnant, and the stigma of being an unmarried, pregnant teenager led her to leave school. Left with few options, Lydia's circumstances were reported to the community victim support unit and, with their help and guidance, Lydia was empowered to return to school where she can continue to pursue her dream of becoming a teacher. This project to strengthen community structures that respond to those experiencing sexual- or gender-based violence is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 8 We give thanks and pray for the Presbyterian World Service & Development program in Malawi that is helping pregnant mothers and their newborns access medicine.

Monday, August 9 (International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples) We give thanks for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a guiding light on the path to justice and reconciliation.

Tuesday, August 10 We pray for the Rev. Jonathan Baird and Rani Ibrahim, and for the new worshipping communities they are leading in the Presbytery of Lindsay-Peterborough in Ontario.

Wednesday, August 11 We pray for Cindy Stephenson, Convener of the Life and Mission Agency Committee.

Thursday, August 12 We pray that the members of the Presbytery of East Toronto's Student and Education Committee will feel a strong sense of God's presence in their discernment.

Friday, August 13 We pray for colleague covenant groups and clergy support groups as they support one another and develop healthy perspectives on themselves and their ministries.

Saturday, August 14 We pray for ministers and elders who feel discouraged and alone in their ministry.