ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli
Guest Preacher: Orlanda Drebit
Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan
Organist: Paul Suchan
August 17th, 2025

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

"But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well." – Matthew 6: 33

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: Amazing Grace – John Newton (1725-1807)

Welcome and Announcements - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)
What a privilege it is to meet together in your house today Father.
Let us join our voices to give you praise.
Let us lift our minds to reflect on your word.
Let us unite our lives for your service.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"Softly and tenderly"*** ***#640***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

God as we gather in your holy place today as your people, let us come humbly not with a sense of entitlement. Forgive us God for all the times in the past week when we were too busy to pray, when we were too busy to make time to be in your presence. Forgive us if we heard you but ignored your instruction to us. Let us confess these things and any others that separate us from you and make us less than who you might God call us to be.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)
Children's Time
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.

Praise: ***"The church's one foundation"*** ***#479***

(Children return to pews)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture Readings:
Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20 - Orlanda Drebit
Psalm 50 Refrain 3
Romans 2: 6-11
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Taking God for Granted – A Bad Habit" - Orlanda Drebit

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Je louerai l'Éternel – Claude Fraysse (1941-2012)

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

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: ***"Seek ye first"*** ***#625***

Benediction

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

Postlude: Dialogue – Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

Greeters & Collectors: Terry & Anne Drover, Charles & Laura Roy

No Coffee Time over the Summer

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, August 17



World Humanitarian Day, observed on August 19, is a day to honour and promote the safety of humanitarian workers. From PWS&D partners delivering food, water and other essential supplies to those working tirelessly to rebuild communities after disasters, humanitarian workers play a crucial role in ensuring the well-being of people in need during crises. But their safety is becoming increasingly threatened. Attacks on humanitarian workers have escalated in recent years. According to the Aid Worker Security Database, 379 humanitarian workers were killed in 2024, with 209 losing their lives in the occupied Palestinian territories alone. On this day, we remember those who have died and reaffirm our commitment to protecting individuals who dedicate their lives to helping others.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 17 Loving God, you gave us the gift of love. We pray for the Atlantic Mission Society as they share that love with others in their mission work.

Monday, August 18 We pray for guidance for our church leaders as they navigate significant choices that shape the future of our community. We pray for God's wisdom to shine upon them.

Tuesday, August 19 (World Humanitarian Day) We pray for those who lost their lives to bring aid and hope. May those who continue be supported, encouraged and protected, despite the challenges.

Wednesday, August 20 We pray for those who seek God in their lives, that they may find hope and love in their searching.

Thursday, August 21 We pray for safety for those who are vacationing, and that they will feel refreshed when they return.

Friday, August 22 We pray for congregations who have discerned the time has come to make the difficult but courageous decision to close, that along with their grief and loss they may also celebrate their years of faithful witness to Christ in their communities and their legacy of lives shaped by the presence of the living God in Jesus Christ.

Saturday, August 23 We pray for grace, peace and wisdom of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, as we strive to worship and to serve Christ Jesus in all of life.