

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

## ***THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP***

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Nehemia Neuhisa

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*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.*

Prelude: Fantasia on the VI Tone – Giovanni Gabrieli (1557-1612)

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: (Responsive)

We give thanks to the Lord with all our hearts,  
**for God's faithful love endures forever.**

We sing praises to the Lord, with all our strength,  
**for God's promises declare God's goodness to all the earth.**

We place our trust in God with full confidence,  
**and so we come to worship with hearts full of praise.**

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:** *"All the way my Saviour leads me"*

**#699**

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we sometimes get angry and impatience instead of loving and forgiving. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all...

**Thanks be to God!**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

*(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:** *"Jesus, friend so kind and gentle"*  
(Children return to pews)

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### **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Proverbs 16: 20-33

- Laura Van Loon

Psalms 34: 8-14 Refrain 1

Galatians 5: 22-26

Matthew 4: 1-11

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "The Fruit of the Spirit Is: Self-Control"

- Nehemia Neuhisa

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: It is Well with My Soul – Horatio Spafford (1828-1888)

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:** *"I'm gonna live so God can use me"*

**#648**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Prière à Notre-Dame – Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

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CE Coordinator:

Martha Fergusson

Lock up:

Estelle Griffiths

Coffee Host:

Stuart & Dorothy Middleton

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YOU ARE INVITED to the lower hall following the worship service for refreshments and conversation

A SPECIAL WELCOME is extended to our visitors this morning. Please sign the guest book in the entranceway, or fill out a visitor's envelope found in the pews. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider St.

Andrew's.

CHILDCARE: There is a nursery available in the lower hall.

LARGE PRINT Bibles, bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

PARKING: There is courtesy parking in the Delta's underground parkade on Sunday mornings (for those who have St. Andrew's parking stickers).

CONTACT US: Phone 306-242-0525, Email [office@standrews-saskatoon.com](mailto:office@standrews-saskatoon.com), Website: [www.standrews-saskatoon.com](http://www.standrews-saskatoon.com)

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00 PM

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## Announcements



We are very happy to be meeting in person again! Face mask use is now **optional** within the church building. Sanitizer and masks are available at several locations in the church. Live streaming is available on the website, [www.standrews-saskatoon.com](http://www.standrews-saskatoon.com) for those who are worshipping from home.

Nehemia Neuhisa is a VST/St. Andrew's Hall student who resides in Vancouver, BC, and is originally from Indonesia.

Nehemia just finished his M. A. in Theological Studies last May. Having discerned a call to ministry, he continued into the M. Div. program, pursuing ordination in the Presbyterian Church in Canada and wherever God is calling him to go at the end of his study time.

Nehemia recently served as Worship Coordinator at Dunwood Presbyterian Senior Housing, New Westminster, BC while also doing children-youth ministry at Richmond Presbyterian Church, BC, and he is grateful for his second year doing summer ministry for the Synod of Saskatchewan.

The church office will be closed August 25<sup>th</sup> – September 4<sup>th</sup>, inclusive.



- The Pastoral Care Committee will reconvene with a luncheon meeting at Luella's on Wednesday, September 6, at 12:30 pm.
- Women's Camp September 8-10, 2023.
- Thursday, September 14 at 7pm, Choir practice resumes
- Sunday, September 17 – Church BBQ following Worship

COFFEE HOUR! Come down to the lower hall for some fellowship after church.

Bring your own cup or use a cup as supplied. See you after the church service.

Everything for coffee hour is provided along with set up instructions. To sign up please contact the church office or Charles Roy at 306-361-1976 or email [cl.roy@shaw.ca](mailto:cl.roy@shaw.ca) There is also a sign up sheet in the kitchen. On Sundays where there are no hosts, there will not be a coffee time.



### PLEASE PLAN YOUR ROUTE TO ST. ANDREW'S

The busy Saskatoon road construction season is underway! Your preferred route to St. Andrew's is likely to be affected or even closed-off at various times this summer. Please familiarize yourself with the city's projects and pre-plan your route to the church. Safe navigating!

**THANK YOU** to everyone who pitched in to help beautify the church yard! Summer is a very busy time for all of us, but if you have an eye for drooping plants, PLEASE grab the watering can (by the office door entrance, off the parking lot), and sprinkle away. Help keep our flowers looking good all summer long!

**Chair-ity Fundraiser** Begin to make a difference one chair at a time. \$55 is the cost of one chair, and they will be purchased in groups of 12, as donations are received. Please clearly mark "chairs" in your donation. \*UPDATE\* Thanks to your generosity, **100** new chairs have been ordered!

### AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- \* These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Jul/Aug/Sep Suggested donation: \$3.00
- \* Copies of the summer issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- \* Contact Information Forms
- \* The latest edition of "Saints Alive", the newsletter
- \* 2023 Offering Envelopes
- \* 2022 Annual Report
- \* 2022 Accountant Statements

## *In Our Wider Community*

We have one rental parking stall available now. If you, or someone you know may be interested, contact the church office.

In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission made 94 Calls to Action; this week we are reminded of Call to Action #36.

#### Justice

36. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments to work with Aboriginal communities to provide culturally relevant services to inmates on issues such as substance abuse, family and domestic violence, and overcoming the experience of having been sexually abused



St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church in Grand Falls-Windsor, NL, has a long history of responding to the gospel of God's love in Christ through acts of kindness and care for their neighbours. One of the many ways that they live out this mission is through a knitting ministry that produces hundreds of hats as well as mitts and booties for newborns at the local hospital. And the ministry is growing! Another church has recently joined in their mission, allowing them to expand and provide baby sweaters, slippers and booties to several groups that serve the tiniest members of the community. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support St. Matthew's in its ministry.



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**DAILY PRAYERS**

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**Sunday, August 27** We give thanks for the ministry and mission of St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church in Grand Falls-Windsor, NL, and pray that their acts of kindness and care continue to be a blessing to their neighbours.

**Monday, August 28** We pray for the candidates for ministry and for the guidance counsellors who will spend time engaged in dialogue about calling and discernment during the Guidance Conference.

**Tuesday, August 29** We pray for our university and college students who are preparing for studies away from home. Remember in particular first year students who are leaving home for the first time.

**Wednesday, August 30** We pray for the Rev. Mary Fontaine and Hummingbird Ministries, an Indigenous healing and reconciliation effort.

**Thursday, August 31 (International Day for People of African Descent)** Recognizing the violent history of colonization faced by people of African descent, we seek the Spirit's wisdom to end ongoing anti-Black racism.

**Friday, September 1** We pray for transformation in congregations that will lead God's people to share love and healing in their communities through concrete acts of friendship and kindness.

**Saturday, September 2** We pray for the Rev. Margaret Mullin and the people who gather at Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg.