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
Guest Musician: Donna Fenton
August 3rd, 2025

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

"Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." – Luke 12: 15

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: Spirit of the Living God

Welcome and Announcements - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord;
Let us sing praises to God's holy name!
We will declare God's steadfast love in the morning,
And God's faithfulness night after night.
Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord!
For God is good and we know God's blessings.
Let us worship God with grateful hearts;
We will give God thanks in our prayers and praise.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"Fairest Lord Jesus"*** ***#375***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

God of justice and generosity, quickly we forget the gifts we have received from your grace; instead of giving thanks, we ask for more.
We like to have much more than enough and we hesitate to share.
We complain about what we lack and fail to trust your generosity.
Forgive us when our hearts long for the security of this world, not the security of your love.
Renew a right spirit within us by your grace. Amen

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: ***"There is a redeemer"*** ***#358***

(Children return to pews)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23
Psalm 49: 1-12
Colossians 3: 1-11
Luke 12: 13-21 - Nehemia Neuhisa

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Almost Enough" - Nehemia Neuhisa

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: As the Deer – Martin Nystrom (b. 1956)

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: ***"Praise, I will praise"*** ***#420***

Benediction

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

Postlude:

The church offices will be closed tomorrow, August 4th, for Heritage Day.

Greeters & Collectors: Al Ireland & Patti Polowick

No Coffee Time over the Summer

Reflection on St. Andrew's 100 Years of Kingdom Ministry

As we reflect on the incredible journey of St. Andrew Church over the past 100 years, we are overwhelmed with gratitude to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who has remained the unshakable cornerstone of this spiritual home. Rooted firmly in the mandate of Christ to preach the Kingdom message to the four corners of the world, St. Andrew has stood not only as a beacon of hope but as a vibrant community of faith and service.

Under committed and prayerful leadership, the church continues to grow, not just in numbers, but in spirit, mission, and unity. Our leaders, inspired and guided by the Holy Spirit, have ensured that each soul that enters through our doors is met with love, recognized with value, and supported with care. We give special honor to the dedicated work of our Minister, Clerk of Session, the Board of Managers, Roll Clerk, and Congregation members who have faithfully ensured that every new worshipper is noticed and warmly welcomed. Through their commitment, each member is thoughtfully assigned to an elder who becomes a trusted shepherd, a direct contact and spiritual support for every question, concern, or need.

Every Sunday, the sanctuary of St. Andrew is filled with a divine atmosphere where the sermon and music come together in powerful harmony to nourish hearts and uplift souls. The Word is preached boldly and truthfully, and the songs of praise rise to heaven with sincerity and strength, drawing us ever closer to God.
As we celebrate this 100-year milestone, we recognize not only the history that brought us here but the spiritual strength that will carry us forward. We stand today as a church stronger than when we began, empowered by the Holy Spirit and united in purpose. Our legacy is not merely in the buildings or milestones, but in the lives transformed, the gospel shared, and the Kingdom of God expanded.

To God be the glory for the things He has done! And as we look to the future, may we remain ever faithful, ever rooted, and ever bold in proclaiming Jesus Christ to all nations.

Thanks be to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the foundation, the builder, and the future of St. Andrews!

Written by Elizabeth and Fafali Ahiahonu

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, August 3



Khadija Yusuf Ahmed, a mother of six from Dabataag, Somalia, has shown remarkable strength in the face of immense adversity. Her husband died during the recent civil war in Las Anod and her journey has been one of double displacement—first fleeing her home in Mogadishu only to later be forced to escape again when violence reached Las Anod. The challenges of being a single mother and providing for her kids weighed heavily on Khadija. But she found hope in a Canadian Foodgrains Bank project that provided cash assistance for food. "Our meals have become more wholesome, and the fear of going to bed hungry has diminished. I have fulfilled my children's basic needs and addressed their main concerns," she shares. This project is supported by PWS&D and the Government of Canada.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, August 3 We pray for the ongoing work of the Committee on Church Doctrine as they guide Presbyterians in responding to Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) and supporting those who have chosen it.

Monday, August 4 We pray for students of The Presbyterian College of Montreal who are serving in summer placements. May these be rewarding experiences that will further the work of God's kingdom.

Tuesday, August 5 We pray for staff and students of The Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America in Guatemala as they respond to challenges of their context with transformative pastoral practice.

Wednesday, August 6 (Anniversary: 1945 Bombing of Hiroshima) Today we remember the victims of the atomic bombing in Hiroshima from this day in 1945 and we pray for an end to the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Thursday, August 7 We pray for faith leaders and organizations around the globe who are actively working to tackle climate challenges.

Friday, August 8 We pray for those who are worried about the increasing costs of living. May we be the hands of Christ, helping people in need.

Saturday, August 9 (International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples) We recognize and honour the diverse identities, cultures, languages, governance systems, traditions and spiritual practices of Indigenous peoples around the world.