

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

*"You are like light for the whole world. A city built on top of a hill cannot be hidden, and no one would light a lamp and put it under a clay pot. A lamp is placed on a lampstand, where it can give light to everyone in the house." – Matthew 5: 14-15*

*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.*

Prelude: Solvejg's Song – Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

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

The Congregation will rise and join in 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 GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

- The Rev. Jim McKay

Let us sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever.

**With our mouths we shall proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**

Let us declare that your steadfast love is established forever.

**Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

God has said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David."

**God will establish his descendants forever, and build a throne for all generations.**

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:**

***"Glorious things of thee are spoken"***

**#483**

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

**Mighty and ever-loving God,**

**we come before you this day in true confession of all that has separated us from you this past week.**

**We confess those sins we have done; those we have harboured in secret, as well as those we have sought to justify.**

**Forgive us, O God.**

**Forgive our waywardness and our pride.**

**Make us a new creation, by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*(Children come forward)*

Children's Time

**Praise:**

***"Jesus, the very thought of thee"***

**#367**

*(Children return to pews)*

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 6: 1-8

- Jan Rodda

Psalms 89: 1-14 Refrain 1

1 Corinthians 1: 1-9

Matthew 5: 13-16

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "Heritage"

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

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

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Hear Us, O Father – Don Besig (b.1936)

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:**

***"O God of Bethel, by whose hand"***

**#654 (tune #235)**

Benediction

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

Postlude: largo, from Symphony no. 9 "From the New World" – Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

Greeters & Collectors: Kirk Ready & Heather Shouse, Charles & Laura Roy

Coffee Hosts: Anniversary Committee



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.

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*



2025 is our 100 years in Saskatoon and as a congregation! This is our year to reflect where we have come from and where we intend to go. Today is our Heritage Sunday reflecting on the history, the people, the depth of belief and commitment to have a Presbyterian denomination in Saskatoon. Founded in 1925, our church was established at the corner of 20<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and since 1952, we have worshipped in this building. Today, as our worship pays tribute to our century-long heritage, we give thanks for all saints, past and present, who have helped to make St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church "home".

### **Advent Bake Sale**

Thanks to the generosity of the bakers and crafters, as well as those purchasing these offerings of talents, almost \$400 was raised for Presbyterians Sharing. Stay tuned for next year.

With the start of a New Year we are looking for volunteers to host coffee hour. If you have never done this before but would like to try, we have written instructions on what needs to be done. Ideally it is best to have two hosts for each Sunday. Our goal is to have enough people so that no one has to host more than once per quarter. Everything is supplied but if you wish to bring your own "goodies" that is up to you. We would like to thank everyone who hosted in 2024 and hope you will continue to sign up in 2025. A sign up roster can be found on the coffee table each Sunday. If anyone has any questions please contact Charles Roy at 306-361-1976 or [cl.roy@shaw.ca](mailto:cl.roy@shaw.ca)



Join Rev Roberto & Pastor Ron as they share a pasta dinner and more on Sunday January 19 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. at Zion. Info & sharing you are attending: Martha 306.270.2378.



**OPERATION SANDWICHES:** A HUGE thank you to everyone who increased their donations to the Sandwich Fund for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry over the past year. It has allowed us to finally resume our pre-Covid commitment to the Mission to supply 12 dozen sandwiches twice each month. Our new year's resolution for 2025 is to cheerfully hold our sandwich making parties on the second and the fourth Sundays of each month.

Our first sandwich making party of 2025 will take place on **January 26<sup>th</sup>**, and we will start our new schedule on February 9<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help with the sandwiches, please come and join us in the kitchen after the service.

### **WARM CLOTHING AND BLANKET DRIVE**

Outreach and Pastoral Care are gathering and distributing donations of new and gently used blankets, winter jackets, sweaters, boots, socks, mitts, scarves and toques for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. New underwear and stockings would also be greatly appreciated. If you have anything that you wish to donate, please drop it off in the barrel at the back of the church. The bin will be available all winter.

Thank you for your support!



**Prayer Requests:** Email Margaret Wilson at: [ma.wilson@shaw.ca](mailto:ma.wilson@shaw.ca) More information on Pastoral Care Bulletin Board.

### **AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:**

- \* Copies of the fall issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- \* Contact Information Forms
- \* The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- \* Annual Report & Financial Statements

### **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](http://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



# MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, January 19

Last summer, twelve young adults from PCC and UCC partner churches in Canada, the Korean Christian Church in Japan, the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea, and the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan met together to share their lives, cultures, and the present



social context of the church in their home countries. Exploring both common and unique challenges, they developed a workshop for the *uplift2024: Audacious Faith* conference. Through worship, study, and recreation, a deep sense of connection developed across languages and cultures. This global ecumenical learning community gathered for 9 days at Brock University, ending with their participation at *uplift2024: Audacious Faith*. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing help strengthen long-standing church partnerships by fostering ecumenical understanding and meaningful connections among a new generation of leaders.

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## DAILY PRAYERS

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**Sunday, January 19** We give thanks for the dedication of the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean and Bible translation teams in Taiwan working to provide copies of the Bible in the many Indigenous languages of Taiwan.

**Monday, January 20** We pray as the PCC continues to seek support for a declaration advocating for religious freedom in Canada.

**Tuesday, January 21** We pray for courage and clear vision for those discerning calls to embark on new and faithful journeys.

**Wednesday, January 22** Today is the 4th anniversary of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons coming into force at the United Nations. We pray for the elimination of nuclear weapons, and the threat they pose to all life on Earth.

**Thursday, January 23** We pray for interim moderators and search committees as they work to assist congregations in calling a new minister.

**Friday, January 24** We pray for the mental, emotional, physical and spiritual wellbeing of the eight directors of PCC Indigenous ministries, and for the communities they work so hard to take care of.

**Saturday, January 25** We pray for those who have yet to know the love of God and for those involved in mission work who are sharing that love.