

# 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 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

*"the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." – Matthew 4: 16*

*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: Fanfare Sinfonia – Dietrich Buxtehude

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: (Responsive)

The Lord is our light and salvation.

**We will not be afraid.**

Behold the beauty of the Lord!

**God will shelter us on any day of trouble and set us high upon a rock.**

Let God's people shout for joy!

**For Christ calls us and claims us as his own.**

Come and worship in unity and love; let us rejoice together!

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:**

***"We are God's People"***

**#472**

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Merciful God,**

**you call us to follow your way of compassion**

**but too often we criticize each other.**

**You call us to follow your way of peace**

**but too often we remain divided.**

**You call us to trust you**

**but too often our fears and doubts overwhelm us.**

**Forgive us, O God,**

**and strengthen our commitment to follow your ways. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

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.**

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

**Praise:** ***"Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord"*** **#476**

*(Children leave for Church School)*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 9: 1-4

- Patti Polowick

Psalms 27: 1, 4-10 (Refrain 1)

I Corinthians 1: 10-18

Matthew 4: 12-23

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon: ***"The Summons"***

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

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Morning Song – Austin C. Lovelace

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:** ***"In Christ there is no east or west"*** **#480**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Festival Postlude – Domenico Zipoli

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Lock up:

Sheila Coulter

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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. HEADSETS with earphones and radio receivers (101.1fm) are available to those who require hearing assistance.

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 masks are required within the church building. Sanitizer is available at several locations in the church, and social distancing is encouraged. Live streaming is available on the website, [www.standrews-saskatoon.com](http://www.standrews-saskatoon.com) for those who are worshipping from home.



Year end charitable donation receipts will be available next month. If you have moved within the past year, **PLEASE** ensure that the office has that new information!

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 #15.

15. We call upon the federal government to appoint, in consultation with Aboriginal groups, an Aboriginal Languages Commissioner. The commissioner should help promote Aboriginal languages and report on the adequacy of federal funding of Aboriginal-languages initiatives.



### **HOLD THE DATE**

As we prepare ourselves for the Lenten season, please hold the date for the 2023 Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper to be held on Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup>. This is a joint venture of the Christian Education and Stewardship Committees in support of PWS&D. As with last two years, it will be virtual, with bags of supper and Lenten supplies available. Further information on how to place an order and join the Zoom call for fellowship and entertainment will be forthcoming.



We will soon be working on the next edition of "Saints Alive", St. Andrew's newsletter. Please have all submissions into the office by Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Pastoral Care Committee will meet on Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup> - 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. in the lower hall of the church.

## *In Our Wider Community*

**Winner of the Honens International Piano Competition, Luca Buratto** opens the 2023 Lyell Gustin Recital Series celebrating 300 years of The Piano. Milanese artist now based in Berlin, Mr. Buratto will perform spectacular Romantic music by Robert Schumann and works of the French musical luminaries, Debussy and Ravel. Please note that masks are required at this recital.

**St. Andrew's, Tuesday, January 24, at 7:30 p.m.** (N.B.: three-concert season ticket package available for 2023 includes this event). Single tickets \$50 reg./ \$30 student: St. John's Music, Saskatoon Academy of Music, Gustin House Committee, at the door, or [www.gustinhouse.ca](http://www.gustinhouse.ca)

The GoForth Hub City afternoon at Calvin-GoForth Church will celebrate with the Valentine's Theme on Monday, Feb. 6, 2023. Call Laura for more information at 306-229-7846 or email [lauralene66@gmail.com](mailto:lauralene66@gmail.com).

### AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- \* These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Jan/Feb/Mar Suggested donation: \$3.00
- \* Copies of the winter issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- \* Contact Information Forms
- \* The latest edition of "Saints Alive", the newsletter
- \* 2023 Offering Envelopes

### **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

In Nepal, 51-year-old Lahia Tharu was suffering from a numb left foot. Lahia first sought help from a traditional healer—a practice common in rural Nepal. When the condition of her foot did not improve, she went to a nearby hospital. Tests confirmed that Lahia had leprosy and referred her to the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Shining Hospital. There, she received medication and treatment and was sent home to recover. **Reflecting upon her experience, Lahia said that she is “thankful and happy for the treatment that was provided at Shining Hospital.”**



### DAILY PRAYERS

**Sunday, January 22** We pray for the medical staff at the Shining Hospital in Nepal as they treat illnesses with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

**Monday, January 23** Eternal God, wake us up to your glory in the world; stir in us delight and help us overcome despair through your assurance that it is not all up to us.

**Tuesday, January 24** We pray for interim moderators and search committees as they work to assist congregations in calling a new minister.

**Wednesday, January 25** We pray for the members and work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee.

**Thursday, January 26** We give thanks for the many gifts that LGBTQI2+ people bring to the church’s mission and ministry.

**Friday, January 27** We pray for congregations as they prepare and gather for their annual meetings.

**Saturday, January 28** We pray for people in rural and remote congregations and communities across the country.