

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Gillian Lyons

Choir Conductor and Soloist: Terri-Lynn Mitchell

Guest Preacher: Orlanda Drebit

July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### **9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

***If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. –John 15: 7-8***

*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.*

*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.

Welcome and Announcements

-Orlanda Drebit

## **WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

#### Call to Worship

One: Great is the Lord who is worthy of praise.

**All: No one can ever measure the greatness of our God.**

One: Let us worship God who is faithful in all things, who calls us to serve Him.

**All: We will sing of God's power, speak of God's loving kindness, and we will answer His call.**

One: O Father, we proclaim you our ruler in all things,

**All: and submit to your will for us and we will praise your holy name forever and ever.**

**Praise:**

***“Be still and know that I am God”***

**#64**

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord that healeth thee. I am the Lord that healeth thee. I am the Lord that healeth thee.

In thee, O Lord, I put my trust. In thee, O Lord, I put my trust. In thee, O Lord, I put my trust.

Prayer of Confession:

**Gracious and Generous God,**

**we gather each week to be fed by your word and your love.**

**We confess we sometimes ignore your voice and are not generous with our love.**

**We hold to our thoughts and things, fearful we lack enough for our purposes and desires.**

**We credit ourselves with our good fortune.**

**We take advantage of opportunities for ourselves, and forget to see if others are in need.**

**Forgive us, O God, for our self-centredness and greed.**

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

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

**Praise:**

***“With the Lord as my guide”***

**#574**

With the Lord as my guide I will walk through the desert, rest by the water, run in the wind. With the Lord by my side I will stand on the mountain, drink from the fountain of love deep within.

With the Lord as my guide I will see all the talents, accept the balance of who I am. With the Lord by my side say yes to the calling, fear not the falling, trust in God's plan.

With the Lord as my guide I will work with my sister, care for my brother, bend with their pain. With the Lord by our side we will rise up together, strengthen each other, courage regain.

With the Lord as my guide I will rise in the morning, praise for the dawning beauty of day. With the Lord by my side I will sing, sing forever, always a lover, seeking God's way.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

John 15: 6-19

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

Sermon: “Buddywhat’s his name and the other feller...”

-Orlanda Drebit

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy...

**All: Hear our prayer.**

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 GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME**

***Praise:***

***"I have decided to follow Jesus"***

***#570***

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me, no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow, no turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? No turning back, no turning back.

Benediction and Sung Response

**Amen, Amen, A - - men.**

Postlude:

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

-Hughes, arr. Greer

**Announcements**

The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli is in Melfort this morning. We welcome Orlanda Drebit to the pulpit.

Volunteers will be needed each week with the return to in-person worship. We will need several people every Sunday to help with various tasks, such as registering attendees. Please prayerfully consider if you are able to assist with the return to in person worship. The Board and/or the Worship and Music Committee would love to hear from you.



In response to the devastating confirmation of unmarked graves on the grounds of former residential schools, and in honour of the children who were lost and all people living with the consequences of that legacy, The Presbyterian Church in Canada has established the *Honouring the Children: Reconciliation and Residential Schools Fund*. This fund will support initiatives associated with searches for unmarked burial sites in communities where schools were operated by The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Follow this link for more information. <https://presbyterian.ca/2021/07/02/honouring-the-children-fund/>



### **Bicycle, Bicycle, BICYCLE CLUB 2021**

#### JOIN US ON MONDAYS!

Once a week participants of all ages can arrive at the church to begin to ride at **6:30 pm.** with their bikes ready for a ride.

We are aiming to have two levels of ride offered, one group, will do a short length and the other a much more challenging route. There are at **least 3 people wanting to walk** too, so some can gather at the church and pick your route. Al Ireland brings bike experience both with the actual bikes and also great knowledge of location

trails for riding. Let Martha Fergusson, Rev. Roberto or Al Ireland know if you want to join us, or for more information. Adult volunteers are would be helpful - let us know if you are willing to help.

The summer issue of the **Presbyterian Connection** is available! The latest "**These Days**", the daily devotional for July, August and September, has arrived in the office. If you would like a copy, please contact the office, and we can make that happen.

### **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



### **SUNDAYS**

**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

**Roots** – older elementary and high school youth

Meeting ID: 867 4107 9007

## Food Assistance Provides Comfort During Difficult Times

In Afghanistan, Razia and her four children lost their home when they could no longer afford to pay rent. Abandoned by her husband and left with few prospects to earn an income due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Razia and her children sought refuge in a spare room at the local mosque. Razia's son did small jobs to earn money, but it wasn't enough to sustain the family. Fortunately, the family was selected to be recipients of a food assistance project run by Community World Service Asia, a partner of Presbyterian World Service & Development. Monthly cash transfers were provided to 1,100 vulnerable families, including many who had returned to Afghanistan from Iran. "We were blessed as the cash helped us to purchase essential groceries. I have also bought warm clothing for my children so the winters will be warm and comfortable," Razia said.



### DAILY PRAYERS

**Sunday, July 25** We pray for people in Afghanistan whose livelihoods have been disrupted by COVID-19 and give thanks for the food assistance they've received through Presbyterian World Service & Development partners during these difficult times.

**Monday, July 26** We give thanks for God's faithfulness and rejoice with the Presbyterian Church of Nigeria as it celebrates its 175th anniversary.

**Tuesday, July 27** We pray that our African church sisters will be able to come together for the triennial Tumekutana conference for African women in Cameroon in 2022.

**Wednesday, July 28** We pray for congregations as they discern who to call into positions of leadership.

**Thursday, July 29** We pray for churches in the neighbourhoods where we live, and for growing relationships between denominations and church communities.

**Friday, July 30 (World Day Against Trafficking in Persons)** We pray for all victims and survivors of human trafficking, and we give thanks for those who work diligently to end all forms of human trafficking.

**Saturday, July 31** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Western Han-Ca.