

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Dylan Nippi

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

June 18th, 2023

3rd Sunday after Pentecost/National Indigenous Peoples Sunday

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth..." – Matthew 5: 5

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: For the Beauty of the Earth – arr. Stan & James Pethel

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

- Al Ireland

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O gates!

and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord of hosts, the Lord is the king of glory!

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: "Help us accept each other"

#632

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Gracious and loving God, you have made all people in your image. You have imbued each one with dignity and light. We confess that we do not always remember this truth. Regarding others from a human point of view, we dishonor you by dishonoring one another. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to have eyes like Christ's; that we would truly see and truly honor all our neighbours. We pray for this transformation in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time: Pat Barber

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: *"O for a world where everyone"* **#730**
(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 2: 5-9

- Sharon Nixon

Psalm 24: 1-2 Refrain 2

- Fran Gordon

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

John 1: 14

- Dylon Nippi

Matthew 5: 5

Thanks be to God

Sermon:

- Dylon Nippi

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Jupiter Hymn, from the Planets – Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

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: *"For the healing of the nations"* **#736**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Come, Thou Almighty King – arr. Stan & James Pethel

Coffee Hosts:

Mary Ann Lyle

Lock Up:

Estelle Griffiths

Today we are blessed to welcome back Dylon Nippi, Director of Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli is leading worship in Melfort.



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, Website: www.standrews-saskatoon.com

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

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 for those who are worshipping from home.

During the 2022/23 program year, we have been giving thanks to the many volunteers who help to make the life and mission of St. Andrew's possible. Today we give thanks for our volunteer choir singers, as well as those who work every week to beautify the sanctuary. Please take a moment to sign the Thank You cards in the Narthex.

The Pastoral Care Committee will meet Wednesday June 21st – 1:30 p.m. in the lower Fellowship Hall of the church.

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.

From the turnout during the first few weeks it appears that the return of coffee hour following Sunday worship has been a success. Thanks to all that have helped and contributed to date.

We are unsure if we will continue during the summer months but if enough people are interested in hosting we would plan to carry on. By the Fall I would like to see a minimum of 12-15 individuals or groups within the church agree to host. If we can achieve this, then no one should have to do this more than once per quarter. 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 There is a sign up sheet in the kitchen. On Sundays where there are no hosts, there will not be a coffee time.



Overall our church revenues are tracking proportionately where we are in the year. However, May statements show our revenues were down over \$6,000 from April. Just a reminder as we enter the nicer weather, that church expenses continue- whether or not we are in attendance. Please prayerfully consider your contributions to St. Andrews. Orlanda Drebit Treasurer

YARD SALE

As most of you already know, Outreach is planning on holding a lawn sale at St. Andrew's on July 8th, with all proceeds from the sale going to Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry to support their work in reaching out into the community.

We would like to bring a couple of things to your attention: First of all, we are looking for items to put into our sale. If you have been spring cleaning, or downsizing, or you have been looking at something in your house that you would like to get rid of, please consider donating the items to our lawn sale. We are looking primarily for smaller items as most of the patrons of our sale will be foot traffic and we would like to make it as easy as possible for people to carry away their purchases.

One of the problems that we have with this sale is that we are limited in the amount of storage space available at St. Andrew's, so if you can donate items, we ask that you put off bringing them until the last week before the sale. This would be from Sunday July 2nd, right up until the day of the sale on July 8th.

There are three ways to donate:

1. The best way would be to drop off your donations on the Sunday (July 2). The committee will help you get items into the church.
2. If you can only drop them off during the week, please give Al Ireland a call and he will meet you and help you get everything into the church. We would like to take the responsibility for receiving items for the sale away from our office administrator as she is already busy enough.
3. If you are going to be away during this time but would still like to donate, please contact one of the outreach committee members (Al Ireland, Linda Dietz, or Donna Fenton) so that they can arrange a way to make it happen.
4. For those with transportation issues we are willing to pick up your items and bring them down to the church.

We are also planning to host a lemonade stand at the sale to hand out a nice cool, refreshing beverage to anyone passing by and hopefully getting to know some of the people in our community. If this is something you would like to help us with, please come and talk to us. A sale of hot dogs is also being considered if we can find volunteers to help us out.

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, **84** new chairs have been ordered!

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!

Socks for SNCM

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights" James 1:17

Thank you for your generous donations of funds for our third annual sock drive. Dylon at Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry will purchase durable long lasting socks for some of the people who come through their front door. A total of \$490 has been raised.

St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee



AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Jul/Aug/Sep Suggested donation: \$3.00
- * Copies of the spring 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

CAMP CHRISTOPHER is really excited to have alumni of the Tri4Kids4Camp program as most of our summer staff. We are offering First Aid Training for all our cabin leaders this summer and need some support to cover the course fees. Each participant has been asked to cover \$50 of the course fee, and we have a total of 14 participants in need of support. Donations can be made by e-transfer to campchrisevent@gmail.com, or mailed to 436 Spadina Cres. East in Saskatoon S7K 3G6. Another way to support Camp Christopher this summer is through SARCAN Bottle Donations - just give the reference code CCSK and your bottles will go towards camp!" Also, we are still looking for a lifeguard for the summer. If anyone knows anyone who can work a week, or a few days, or a day.

Camp Compassion is our summer VBS- the week of August 8-11,2023. It is an all day program at a different location BUT Martha, Rev Roberto, Synod VST students and the gang are leading it with some of our neighbours. Friendly familiar faces, just a large space with our faith neighbours. Call Martha for more information, and subsidies if cost is a barrier. We have two rental parking stalls available now. If you, or someone you know may be interested, contact the church office.

Music for the Gut - Thurs, Aug 24 at TCU Place!

We're thankful and proud to have contributed \$183,000 to Crohn's & Colitis Canada in our 12+ years! Featuring a 75-Vocal Ensemble and Dancers! 13-piece orchestra - Gut Banda!
Artists: River City Irish Dancers. Gerard Weber (sax). Will Boan (violin). Graham Tilsley (singer-songwriter). Graham Pritchard (guitar).
Jordie Hughton, artistic director/conductor. Justin La, conductor. Matthew Praksas, pianist. Kenni Chomyn & Heather Hataley, choreo.
Tickets at: tcutickets.ca -- MusicfortheGut.com

We have two rental parking stalls 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 #29.

Justice

29. We call upon the parties and, in particular, the federal government, to work collaboratively with plaintiffs not included in the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement to have disputed legal issues determined expeditiously on an agreed set of facts.

Winnipeg Inner City Missions (WICM) is an outreach ministry supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing that welcomes and embraces all people living in downtown Winnipeg, Manitoba. WICM works towards healing and reconciliation and provides temporary housing, employment services, as well as programming for children and youth. The staff and volunteers of WICM work tirelessly to provide a safe, inclusive space that inspires lifelong learning and building social and personal well-being for all people in the community. WICM recently welcomed Beverly Burkard as its new executive director. Beverly is a welcome addition to WICM, bringing with her an extensive background working with charitable and non-profit organizations, including Sage Journey, Agape Table and Red Road Lodge.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, June 18 (National Indigenous Peoples Day Sunday) We pray for all those who are working to revitalize Indigenous language, culture, governance and spirituality. We give thanks for Indigenous leadership in the church and this country.

Monday, June 19 (National Indigenous Peoples Day) We give thanks for Indigenous Elders, Knowledge Keepers and all Indigenous people working for the rights and well-being of Indigenous peoples and communities.

Tuesday, June 20 On **World Refugee Day**, we remember all who've had to flee their homes and seek refuge in unfamiliar places and with people who are strangers. We pray for God's blessing on all those who welcome refugees with open arms of love.

Wednesday, June 21 We pray for refugees in times of unthinkable suffering, and we give thanks for Presbyterian World Service & Development partners providing relief to Afghan refugees in Pakistan, Syrian refugees in Lebanon, Ukrainian refugees in Poland and Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh.

Thursday, June 22 We give thanks and pray for the staff and volunteers at Winnipeg Inner City Missions in Manitoba as they work tirelessly to meet people's physical and spiritual needs.

Friday, June 23 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Oak Ridges in Ontario.

Saturday, June 24 We give thanks for clubs in Haiti that teach children about food security and environmental protection with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.