ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli
Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan
Organist: Paul Suchan
June 21st, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost/National Indigenous Peoples Day

"You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt." – Exodus 22: 21

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.

Land Acknowledgement

Welcome and Announcements - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Preparation for Worship:
As the Christ Candle is lit, we invite you to observe a time of quiet reflection prior to our service.
Prelude: Skylark – Hoagy Carmichael (1899-1981)

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)
To you, O God, we lift our hearts.
Listen to our voices and answer.
The Lord is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love.
God does wondrous things with grace and mercy.
So let us glorify God's holy name together!
We come to worship God in love and faithfulness.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"This is my Father's world"*** ***#328***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)
God who knows all people and all possibilities, you call us to follow you,
yet we prefer familiar paths.
You offer us new understanding, yet change makes us uncomfortable.
You invite us into the fullness of life, yet we often resist when the invitation comes with challenge or disruption.
Forgive us, O God, and make of us loving disciples ready to follow Jesus' example.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)
Children's Time

Praise: ***"Many and great, O God, are your works"*** ***#301***

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.

(Children leave for church school)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 22: 21-24 - Fran Gordon

Psalm 7: 1-11

Romans 6: 1b-11

Luke 10: 25-37 - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "A man was travelling…" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen – Traditional

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: ***"Great is thy faithfulness"*** ***#324***

Benediction

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

Postlude: Untitled – Paul Suchan (b. 1983)

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

Coffee Hosts: Laura & Charles Roy



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.
CONTACT US: Phone 306-242-0525, Email office@standrewsyxe.ca, Website: www.standrewsyxe.ca
NORMAL OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00 PM



NOTICE OF SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – Sunday, June 21, 2026, after Service x 15 Minutes, in person and by Zoom (link below). A Special Congregational Meeting is required to pass specific motions required by the Presbyterian Church of Canada, Lend Loan Application (copies available in the Narthex and circulated by email). The "financial" substance of the motions has already been passed by the Congregation at the Annual General Meeting on April 12, 2026: "Motion: That St. Andrew's approves the ongoing negotiations with vendors up to $450,000 for the exterior upgrades and repairs." The Special Congregational Meeting simply expounds on this motion to ensure the Congregation is fully apprised of the Lend Application.
Respectfully requested, Kirk Ready, Chair, Board of Manager
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Zoom Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86186189151?pwd=U0oBrELsPcKPnPzjVSFnIs4kHJwo1c.1 Meeting ID: 861 8618 9151 Passcode: 225153



Youth BBQ After Church next Sunday, June 28th
All are invited to attend a BBQ outside the church next Sunday, June 28th following worship. This event is hosted by the Youth Group as a way of providing outreach and care to our neighbours by sharing a free meal and some fellowship. Please invite your friends and help us to welcome our neighbours. If you are interested in volunteering to set-up, cook, or clean up please contact the office.

Please join us for Community Group twice monthly on Wednesdays at 7pm
All are welcome to take part in St. Andrew's Community Group. This is a group that meets to share about life and pray for one another twice per month. In June we will be meeting on the 24th from 7pm-9pm at a group members' home. To find out more, or get involved, please contact Heather DeSandoli at heather.desandoli@gmail.com

Socks for SNCM 2026
"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." (Romans 10:15)
Purchase socks and bring them **May 24-June 21** to put on the sock tree. **Note:** These socks should be durable-long lasting socks. Our goal is to provide **100 pairs** of socks to SNCM.
Note: This is a change from previous years. The church is not allowed to collect funds for the socks. Any donations must be sent directly to SNCM.
St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee





OPERATION SANDWICHES: is an ongoing outreach mission program, in partnership with Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. SNCM has a lunch program in our inner-city neighbourhood, and we get to help on the second and fourth Sunday of the month! Help out with a "sandwich making party" in the church kitchen, or make a donation to help with the cost of sandwich ingredients. Just mark your donation "Operation Sandwiches", and place it in the offering plate.



Yard Sale

The Outreach committee is planning to hold its 5th Annual Yard Sale on July 25th with the proceeds once again going to Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. With our spring being what it was, it has been difficult to imagine the world warming up to the point where we could plan for something like this. However, it seems that the world is finally warming up and we would like to invite you to once again search through your homes for items that you can share with us.

As in previous years, we will be targeting foot traffic going past the church, and so would like to restrict the size of the donated items to something that someone could reasonably expect to carry away (without the help of 2 or more people). There seems to be a need for household items, so if you have any dish sets or cutlery given to you as a wedding present by Great Aunt Maggie that have been hiding under your stairs, now would be a great time to dig them out. We will take some larger items, but please talk to one of the committee members before bringing them down to the church. While we are renovating the outside of the church we are doing nothing to increase our storage space inside the building, and so, as in past years, we would ask you to keep items at home until July 18th.

Also as in past years, we are looking for those who would be able to help us set up the sale. If you are willing to help out, or if you have any questions, please contact a member of the committee.

We are: Al Ireland, Donna Fenton, Linda Dietz and Rachel Giesbrecht.



Want to donate to the church? Electronically is so easy, secure, and you have several options:

- E-transfer from your bank account, using the church email finance@standrewsyxe.ca
- Fill out a PAR form, available on the entranceway table, to have a set amount withdrawn from your bank account each month
- The church website has a donate button, and tithe.ly is the platform to help you do that
- On Sundays, there are folks available to help you with debit and credit cards

For each of these options, you are always able to direct that the funds go exactly where you'd like them to go. Any unspecified donation goes into the general category of Ministry and Maintenance. If you'd still like to put something in the offering plate, there are cards available on the entranceway table for electronic givers.



Please remember that monetary donations to outside agencies, such as Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry, The Canadian Bible Society and Camp Christopher should be sent directly to them, not through St. A.'s. Initially, SNCM and Camp Christopher did not have their own charitable designation, so St. Andrew's was happy to be able to provide a receipt at year end. There used to be a Canadian Bible Society store right here, but that's been closed for years, and all bookkeeping is done through their national office. The Canada Revenue Agency is very particular about what goes through the books of a charitable agency, and while it's not impossible for us to pass along your donations to other agencies, it requires a lot of frustrating paperwork, delays, questions, phone calls, and explanations that they are very skeptical about accepting. We never want to discourage people from being generous! Things like Operation Sandwiches, the Session Benevolence Fund, the Flower Fund, and gifts to The Presbyterian Church in Canada for Presbyterians Sharing and PWS&D are considered more "in house" donations, and are not questioned as intently by the CRA. We don't like being the focus of the CRA!

If you have things in your life for which you want to thank God, or things that are challenging in your life for which you need support, share it with the Prayer team of 15 people who are willing to spend time in prayer with God to support you.
All information is confidential. If you are asking for someone else, please make sure you have their permission to do so.
Share your requests and updates with the Team through Margaret Wilson by email **ma.wilson@shaw.ca** or text 306-227-7100

In Our Wider Community

ST. MARY'S FOOD HAMPERS
We have been asked by St. Mary's to help with their hamper program. They hand out their hampers on Wednesday and Friday of each week and have recently noticed a major increase in the number of families coming in to collect the hampers, leaving their shelves almost empty. They put out a call to congregations in Saskatoon to see if they might be able to help them out.
We realize that many people in Saskatoon are having problems putting food on their tables. If you are in a situation where you cannot help, or if you are helping somewhere else, that is fine, but if this is something that you feel that you might help with, please bring your items to church and we will place a bin in the narthex (entryway) where you can drop off your items. Please prayerfully consider this ministry to help St. Mary's ensure that no one goes hungry in Saskatoon.

Current needs for the hampers are:

- Spam or other canned ham
- Evaporated milk
- Pasta Sauce in cans (no glass please)
- Pasta (both small and big bundles)
- KD
- Pork and Beans Cans
- Canned Veggies
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Tomato Soup
- Bologna
- Beef Wieners
- Small trays or small rolls of ground beef (**only** small ones please as we do not handle/divide meat packs for safe food purposes)
- Granola Bars
- Juice Boxes (individual)

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Opportunities at **Saskatoon Native Circle Ministries**

- "Circle, Church and Culture", Wednesdays at 1:30pm
- Clothing donations – drop off 9am-3pm weekdays

See posters for more information

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, June 21



No one chooses to be a refugee; however, today there are over 42 million refugees and many more who are internally displaced—forced to leave their homes due to conflicts or ethnic persecution. PWS&D's refugee ministry responds to Christ's call to serve and defend those who are persecuted. Churches continue to demonstrate their support by sponsoring refugee families, helping them rebuild their lives safely and with dignity. In 2025, 61 sponsored refugees arrived from 8 countries, including Iraq, Sudan, and Afghanistan. This ministry is not only about offering hope but also about living out the biblical call to love and serve others, showing Christ's love to those who are experiencing persecution and suffering.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, June 21 (National Indigenous Peoples Day) We give thanks for opportunities on National Indigenous Peoples Day to listen and learn from Indigenous youth, adults and Elders who are working for the wellbeing of Indigenous peoples.

Monday, June 22 We pray for Dr. Ronald Lalthanmawia as he takes on the role of General Secretary of the Christian Medical Association of India.

Tuesday, June 23 We give thanks for PCC camps across the country and their important ministries, as they plant seeds of faith in the hearts of children and youth.

Wednesday, June 24 We pray for the Change Leadership Team of the General Assembly as it pilots regional teams to proactively lead and quickly respond to local circumstances, fostering collaboration and animating ministry.

Thursday, June 25 We pray for the wisdom, strength and health of ministry staff and volunteers of each of the eight ministries of the National Indigenous Ministries Council, as they walk with and support people in the communities they serve.

Friday, June 26 We pray for the Executive of the Atlantic Mission Society as they finalize plans for the Annual Meeting in September. We give thanks for the many blessings of this past year and ask that the Holy Spirit continue to guide and direct them into the future.

Saturday, June 27 We pray for the Rev. Rebecca Simpson, Assistant Dean of St. Andrew's Hall, in her leadership of the college and care for students.