ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli Guest Organist: Andy de Beer Hymn Leader: Donna Fenton May 1st, 2022

3rd Sunday of Easter

"You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever." — Psalm 30: 11-12

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.

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:

Sing praises to the Lord, you faithful;

We will give thanks to God's holy name.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

We will give thanks to God's holy name.

God has turned our mourning into dancing! Let us praise and not be silent!

Lord our God, we will give thanks to your holy name, now and always! Prayer of Adoration

Praise: "Christ is alive" #251

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now and touching every place and time.

In every insult, rift and war, where colour, scorn or wealth divide, Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call, and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of each and every life,

week by week we lay our lives before you,

acknowledging ways in which we fall short of your hope for us.

Today we confess we sometimes find it hard to forgive ourselves.

Things done long ago still haunt us.

We hear your forgiveness proclaimed,

yet your promise of a fresh start can ring hollow.

Forgive us if we think we are the one sinner who cannot be forgiven.

Forgive us when we cannot find the peace you offer.

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:

"Eternal Father, strong to save"

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Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: oh hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at thy word, who walked upon the foaming deep and calm amid the storm did sleep: oh hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the waters dark and rude, and bade their angry tumult cease, and gave, for wild confusion, peace: oh hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, our kindred shield in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go; then evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

(Children leave for Church School by the back of the sanctuary)

Prayer for Illumination Scripture Readings:

Acts 9: 1-6 Psalm 30

Revelation 5: 11-14

John 21: 1-14

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The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Back to the Boat"

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "Sarabande" – Gordon Young

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

Leader: Lord in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: "Come sing, O church, in joy!"

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Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song! For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns supreme, empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Let courage be our friend, let wisdom be our guide, as we in mission magnify the Crucified! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song! For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long! In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Benediction

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

Postlude "You Raise Me Up" -Rolf Lovland/Brendan Graham



Greeters and Collectors: David Tabien, Daniel Tabien



A SPECIAL WELCOME is extended to our visitors this morning. Please sign the quest 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.

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.standrewssaskatoon.com

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

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 for those who are worshipping from home.



MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA.

Treat your Mother, Aunt or Good Friend to an enjoyable British style Afternoon Tea. On Saturday May 7th 2022 between 1:45 and 4pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on the corner of Spadina Cres and 20th St. Tickets are \$20 each or \$35 for two if treating a Mother. Reservations are required. To book a reservation contact Sandra standrews.afternoontea@gmail.com or call

306-260-7734. Seating is limited so book early. The Proceeds from this Tea will go towards the purchase of an AED for the church. If you are unable to attend the tea, but would like to make a donation to the purchase of the AED, you can do so through the church by making sure you indicate on your cheque, envelope or e-transfer that it is for the AED.

The next FundScrip order is due Sunday, May 15th. Help earn money for St. Andrew's without spending any extra cash! Buy grocery or gas gift cards for stores and gas stations where you already shop, and St. Andrew's will receive a percentage of the sale! Contact Arline Sanderson (306-955-0610) for full details. Orders must be made through Arline, but payment goes through the church office. Please clearly mark payments "FundScrip".



<u>DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS</u> for the next issue of our newsletter, "Saints Alive" is <u>Tuesday, May 24th</u>. Submissions may be emailed to <u>office@standrews-saskatoon.com</u>.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Apr/May/Jun Suggested donation: \$3.00.
- * Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * The latest edition of Saints Alive, the church newsletter
- Contact Information Forms

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
- 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 Our Wider Community

PREACHING GRACE is an annual event hosted by Grace Presbyterian Church in Calgary, this year on May 27, 28 & 29. "Faith in a Science Dominated World" with guest speaker David Wilkinson. There are in person and on line opportunities that may interest you. Click on the link for more information.

https://preachinggrace.ca/



Sunday, May 1

MISSION MOMENT

Since the Taliban took control of Afghanistan in August 2021, an atmosphere of uncertainty has prevailed in the country. Large numbers of people fled to urban centres in hopes of escaping the country, leaving their homes and livelihoods



behind. As a result, many are struggling to make ends meet and many more are facing severe hunger. Presbyterian World Service & Development is responding by providing emergency food assistance. Through an ecumenical collaboration with members of Canadian Foodgrains Bank, monthly cash distributions will be supplied to some of the families experiencing the greatest need. As a result, around 2,550 families will be able to purchase food and pay for necessary items. This emergency food assistance is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development, in collaboration with Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 1 We pray for people in Afghanistan who are facing severe hunger, and we give thanks for the food assistance that Presbyterian World Service & Development and Canadian Foodgrains Bank are providing them with support from the PCC.

Monday, May 2 We pray for the candidates for ministry and guidance counsellors as they engage in the shared process of vocational discernment during Guidance Conference this week.

Tuesday, May 3 We pray for peace throughout the world.

Wednesday, May 4 We pray for members of the Women's Missionary Society Council during their biennial meeting today.

Thursday, May 5 We pray for the safety of all those who risk their lives to help and save others.

Friday, May 6 We pray for the safety and recovery of all those affected by flooding in British Columbia.

Saturday, May 7 We pray for people, families and communities affected by the opioid crisis. Grant healing and strength to all who struggle with substance abuse and addictions.