ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli
Guest Preacher: The Rev. Devon Pattemore
Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan
Organist: Paul Suchan
Guest Musician: Laurien Gibson, Soprano
May 10th, 2026

6th Sunday of Easter/Christian Family Sunday

"Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard." – Psalm 66: 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 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.
Prelude: Love Ye the Lord – George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Welcome and Announcements - Jan Rodda

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)
God, creator of us all,
we gather to worship you.
We come as individuals,
we come in family units,
we come as neighbours,
and as friends.
We come here where we are known by name,
and welcomed as we are.
Guide us,
inspire us,
challenge us,
comfort us,
nurture us,
love us.
Come Holy Spirit.
Come and fill this place.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"Softly and tenderly"*** ***#640***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)
Creator God, on this Christian Family Sunday,
we come before You as members of many different families —

some large, some small, some near, some far.
We thank You for the gift of family, for the bonds of love,
and for the ways You knit us together in community.
Yet, Lord, we confess that we have not always lived as Your family should.
We confess that we have sometimes spoken words that wound rather than heal.
We have allowed pride, impatience, or selfishness to create distance between us.
We have failed to listen with compassion, to forgive quickly, and to love unconditionally.
We have not always made space for those who feel alone, forgotten, or excluded.
Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have failed to live in unity and love.
Help us to remember we are all one family in you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time

Praise: ***"Child of blessing, child of promise"*** ***#521***

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:

Acts 17: 22-31 - Kirk Ready

Psalm 66: 8-20 Refrain 1

1 Peter 3: 13-22

John 14: 15-21 - The Rev. Devon Pattemore

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "If You Love Me…" - The Rev. Devon Pattemore

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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: ***"Woman in the night"*** ***#657***

Benediction

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

Postlude: A Mother's Love – John Scott Gordon (1901-1996)

Greeters & Collectors: Terry & Anne Drover, Sharon Wiseman, Angie Smibert

Coffee Hosts: Jane & Mary Ann



DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, *"Saints Alive"* is **TODAY, Sunday, May 10th**. Submissions may be dropped off at the church office or emailed to office@standrewsyxe.ca Please do not include any clip art, as it doesn't copy well. This will be the last newsletter until fall.



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church First Quarter Update

Dear St. Andrew's Friends – I hope that this update finds you well and anticipating the rebirth of spring (even if winter keeps re-entering our lives!) How time flies! We are already over one quarter into our year. I just wanted to update you on our financial status. For those of you who were unable to attend the AGM, we ended 2025 with an operating surplus of just under $15,000! God is at work in our congregation! As of the end of March, our revenues in all categories are lagging behind the 2025 revenue inputs by about $5,000 total. There does appear to be some recovery happening in April. Expenses are tracking approximately the same this year as in the past year. As of the end of March we have over $260,000 in cash/savings: $10k chequing, $168k building fund and $21k memorial fund. As we are poised to begin renovations of this house of God, you should know that the Board of Managers is working diligently to strengthen our financial processes to correspond to the upcoming amount of expenditures. As always, I am happy to answer any of your questions:
Orlanda Drebit Treasurer



Baby shower for a new little blessing, after church on Sunday, May 24th! A luncheon baby shower will be held downstairs to celebrate the birth of Rev. Roberto's and Heather's daughter Rosie. In lieu of a card, we would suggest you bring an unwrapped favorite children's book, (new or used) which you have signed inside, to start Rosie's own library! If you are interested in purchasing a gift, you can check out Heather DeSandoli's registry on Baby Registry Amazon.ca
Amazon: Baby Registry
Anne Drover or Heather Shouse may be contacted if you have any questions.

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.

Advance Notice – It's Time to Purchase 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: St. Andrew's is responsible for providing sandwiches for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry's lunch program on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Help out with a "sandwich making party" in the church kitchen **following worship today**, 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.





A new coffee roster has been prepared for the period January through May 2026. This roster can be found on the table during coffee hour or in the kitchen afterwards. There are lots of opportunities to host available so please sign up at your convenience. Unfortunately, if the coffee roster is not filled on any given Sunday, there will be no coffee hour that day. If you have any questions, please contact Charles Roy at cl.roy@shaw.ca or cell 306-361-1976.

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

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:
- Copies of the winter issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- Contact Information Forms
- The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- PAR Forms
- The Annual Report

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 standrewsyxe.ca
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

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

GoForth Hub The new schedule for the GoForth Club is available on the bulletin board in the lower hall.

Lyell Gustin Recital Series ~ spring concert
Gryphon Trio
Tuesday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m.
St. John's Anglican Cathedral, 816 Spadina Cres. E
Gustin House presents one of the world's foremost piano trios! Gryphon Trio is a three-time JUNO winner (and an 11-time nominee!), praised internationally, and recipient of accolades for performance, musical leadership and mentoring, and 22 acclaimed recordings. The Trio's recital will illuminate and celebrate the development of their repertoire. Their program, "Becoming the Piano Trio: From Enlightenment Conversation to Inner Voice," includes works from Mozart, Beethoven, and Mendelssohn to Brahms and Rebecca Clarke.
Tickets, $50 regular / $30 student, at St. John's Music, Saskatoon Academy of Music, Gustin House Committee, and at the door; more information and tickets at www.gustinhouse.ca.
n.b. Child 12 or Under, free if accompanied by an adult.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, May 10



Laxmi Bhandari is a 31-year-old mother of two from Nepal who once lived in social isolation. She didn't attend group activities because she was too shy. Then she was invited to take part in a project that aims to help women and other excluded groups live dignified lives through social and economic empowerment. Laxmi's leadership qualities were quickly recognized, and she was selected as the chair of her Village Women's Group. She now confidently facilitates monthly meetings, encouraging other women to participate. After learning about poultry and goat farming, Laxmi had the confidence to begin pursuing a livelihood in animal husbandry. Today, her rearing of goats, chickens and buffalo is creating a more sustainable income for her family. PWS&D's support of the International Nepal Fellowship helped to make this happen.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 10 (Christian Family Sunday) We give thanks for our families and our circles of friends.

Monday, May 11 We pray for peace, reconciliation and well-being in Sudan, and for the PWS&D partners delivering food assistance to families facing famine.

Tuesday, May 12 We pray for the many guests visiting Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre. May God bless them with rest, renewal and transformation.

Wednesday, May 13 We pray for all graduates of the Presbyterian Colleges across Canada. May they remain true to the calling that has brought them this far.

Thursday, May 14 (Ascension Day) Holy God, your ascended Son promised the gift of the Holy Spirit. Send your Spirit of wisdom and truth that we may speak your good news and grace, forgiveness, freedom, hope, joy and salvation and work for justice in the world you love.

Friday, May 15 Gracious God, we thank you for all who offer hope in this troubled world, shining your light through acts of kindness, courage, and love.

Saturday, May 16 We pray for M.Div. graduates who follow their call to serve your gospel in the power of the Spirit with the gifts the Spirit provides.