ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli Guest Musician: Fran Gordon May 22nd, 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

"The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

Its gates will never be shut by day – and there will be no night there."

— Revelation 21: 24-25

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:

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you!

Let the earth rejoice and be glad,

let the heavens declare your righteousness!

May all people see your glory, O God;

may your ways be known throughout the earth.

Let us worship the God who loves us;

We come to worship with open hearts,

to raise our voices with thanks and praise.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: "God is love: come heaven, adoring"

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God is love: come heaven, adoring; God is love: come earth, rejoice. Come creation, voices soaring, sing exulting with one voice. God who laid the earth's foundation, God

who spread the heavens above, God who breathes through all creation – God is love, eternal love.

God is love, whose arms enfolding all the world in one embrace, with unfailing grasp are holding every child of every race, and when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, all the sorrow, all the aching wrings with pain the heart of God.

God is love, and though with blindness sin afflicts all human life, God's eternal lovingkindness guides us through all earthly strife. Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain; God is love: so love forever o'er the universe must reign.

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of diversity and detail,

the wonders of your creation amaze us.

Yet we confess we often fail to honour its beauty and variety in the details of our lives.

When voices differ in opinion, we listen to those we agree with.

We fail to honour experience different than our own.

We resist calls to honour the earth as if it were ours for the taking.

Forgive our narrow perspectives.

Open our eyes and our hearts to the pain and perspectives of others, and renew us all with your healing grace.

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:

"Forgive our sins as we forgive"

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"Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray, but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart, that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew: what trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you!

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, and bid resentment cease; then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 16: 9-15 -Fafali Ahiahonu

Psalm 67

Revelation 21: 10,22 -22:5

John 14: 23-29 -The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Peace, My Peace" -The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "Traumerei" – Robert Schumann

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: "All hail King Jesus" #268

All hail King Jesus. All hail Emmanuel, King of kings, Lord of lords, bright Morning Star, and throughout eternity I'll sing your praises, and I'll reign with you throughout eternity.

All hail King Jesus. All hail Emmanuel. I'll come to your light, bow in the glow, bathe in your love, and with all that I can give I'll be your servant. Wash my sins away and watch me from above.

-Verse 2 written by Don Gall

Benediction

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

Postlude "Happy Trails" - Dale Evans





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.

<u>PARKING:</u> There is courtesy parking in the Delta's underground parkade on Sunday mornings (for those who have St. Andrew's parking stickers).

<u>CONTACT US:</u> Phone 306-242-0525, Email <u>office@standrews-saskatoon.com</u>, Website: <u>www.standrews-saskatoon.com</u>

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

Announcements

Church offices are closed tomorrow, May 23, for Victoria Day.



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.



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

SOCKS FOR SNCM

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." (Romans 10:15)

We can bring good news in the form of funds for Dylan at Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry to purchase durable, long lasting socks for some of the people who come through their front door. Let's donate whatever we can to help with this project. This online appeal will run from May 9-June 17. Each single sock will represent **combined donations of \$50.** Each pair of socks will represent

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combined donations of \$100. So far, \$180 has been donated.



We would like to create a schedule for <u>SCRIPTURE READERS</u>, to read at each Sunday Worship Service. Please let the office know if you are willing to be a part of this ministry. If you would like to try it once, before you decide, we can do that! If you are available only part of the year, we will work around your schedule. You will be contacted the week before you read, to let you know what passage you will be reading. The Bible at the lectern is flagged with the readings for that Sunday. All ages are welcome.



The **Pastoral Care Committee** will meet on Wednesday, May 25th at 2 pm, by Zoom.

Welcome to in-person 11:00 a.m. Church School!

Children of all ages are welcome in the worship service. Midway through the service, the Minister will share Children's Time with them. Following this, the children may leave for a church school in the lower hall with the teachers. Join them after service to head home.

We do zoom each Sunday @ 10:00 a.m. for those that wish to participate in that way 86741079007

Toddlers & Babies - The Nursery

This room provides a place for the caregivers & child, during worship or church events. Enjoy watching the Livestream, changing your baby or a having moment to feed them in this space. A place for you & your little ones. Ask a Greeter for assistance in finding the room in the lower level by the washrooms. **Christian Education Inquiries-** Martha Fergusson 306.270.2378 text or call

BIKE CLUB has started! Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m. We will meet in the church parking lot and ride until 8:00 p.m. All ages and all skills are welcome. We usually do two levels of rides, depending on the skills of the cyclists. Parents are welcome to go off on their own ride for their own relaxation. Some people have asked about walking and we can also have a group who wishes to walk. Enjoy MOVING together on Thursdays!!



Your leads and supports: Al Ireland, Bike Guru; Alicia Monson; Roberto DeSandoli, and Martha Fergusson...text or call Martha for info 306 270 2378.

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
- ***** 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

The **Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana** will be visiting Grace Congregation, who share St. Andrew's Worship space on Sunday afternoons. The visit is tomorrow, May 23, starting at 7 pm, in St. Andrew's sanctuary, and all are cordially invited.

AN EVENING OF CLASSICAL MUSIC, next Sunday, May 29th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's. Michael Swan, violin; Michael Angell, piano. Music by Mozart, Schubert, Schuman, Wagner and Grieg. Admission at the door is \$25/adult, \$15/student, or \$50/family.

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 29 -

MISSION MOMENT

In Ghana, 25-year-old Dominic Anane was born with a congenital hearing disability. Like many in Ghana who have disabilities, Dominic was discriminated against. His family and community denied him formal education as a result of negative cultural attitudes associated with his disability.



One day, Dominic was identified during a survey by a community-based rehabilitation staff member and enrolled in a program where he was provided with a sewing machine and vocational training in tailoring and dressmaking.

Today, Dominic has established his own business and makes dresses for customers in his community. Dominic expressed his gratitude: "I feel privileged to have benefitted from the community-based rehabilitation program, which has truly made my life meaningful." This livelihood program is supported by the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 29 We pray for people with disabilities in Ghana, who are rising above discrimination and starting businesses with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Monday, May 30 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on History.

Tuesday, May 31 We pray for the ministry of Family Church of Heritage Green as they continue to reach out to families in Stoney Creek, Ontario.

Wednesday, June 1 We pray for the congregations that make up the Central Alberta Shared Ministry. May they feel a strong sense of God's presence as they find new ways to share the gospel of Christ.

Thursday, June 2 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry in Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, June 3 We give thanks and pray for Women's Missionary Society President, Cathy Reid.

Saturday, June 4 With **World Environment Day** tomorrow (June 5), we give thanks for the creation that you, Creator, called "very good," and we pray for the flourishing of all creation.