

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Donna Wilkinson

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

May 5th, 2024

6th Sunday of Easter/Camp Sunday

"Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts..." – Colossians 3: 14-15b

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: Amazing Grace – John Newton (1725-1807)

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: (Responsive)

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;

The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

All: Let us worship God.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"This is the day"

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Merciful God,

We often find it difficult to love others as you command.

We seek our own security before the wellbeing of others.

We fulfill our own desires rather than act for the common good.

Forgive us.

Redirect our priorities,

and renew our commitment to live out your love,

even when that demands more of us than we expect.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time: Donna Wilkinson, Camp Christopher

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: *"Give me oil in my lamp"*
(Children leave for Church School)

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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 19: 1-6 Refrain 2

Colossians 3: 12-17

Acts 2: 43-47

- Jan Rodda

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Your Ministry"

- Donna Wilkinson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Special Presentation: Thank you to Colin and Marlene Robb

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: All Night, All Day – Patsy Ford Simms (b. 1946)

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: *"Lord, the light of your love is shining"*

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Benediction

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

Postlude: Hymn to Freedom – Oscar Peterson (1925-2007)

Greeters & Collectors: Pearson & Elizabeth Ahiahonu, Fafali Ahiahonu, William Ahiahonu

Coffee Hour: Jan & Richard Rodda



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

Today, we welcome Donna Wilkinson to the pulpit. Donna has been involved with Camp Christopher for 35 years and is currently the Camp administrator. When Donna is not at Camp she manages a group home, supporting 3 men with autism, spends time with her family in Calgary and loves to Kayak and read!

Thank you Colin and Marlene Robb for your years of service at Camp Christopher!

During worship today, we will pause to give special recognition to these two amazing people who touched the lives of countless campers and volunteers over their many years of service at Camp Christopher. In addition to being fixtures at camp during the summer, Colin and Marlene were also dedicated to maintaining the building and grounds in the off-season. Their combined efforts have allowed hundreds, if not thousands, of campers to enjoy a safe, welcoming, and fun summer at Camp Christopher. Thank you Colin and Marlene.



MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA. Bring someone special and enjoy a British-style Afternoon Tea next Saturday, May 11th, 2024, between 1:45 pm and 4:00 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 436 Spadina Cres East (corner of Spadina Cres and 20th Street). Tickets are \$30 each. Reservations are required. To make a reservation, please contact Sandra by email at standrews.afternoontea@gmail.com or call 306-260-7734. Seating is limited. Proceeds from this Tea will go to St Andrew's Anniversary Committee Fund.

BIRDS OF THE BIBLE HIGH TEA BIBLE STUDY: You are invited to the home of Kirk and Heather Ready on Friday, June 7th or Saturday, June 8th, 1-3 pm. Sign up sheets are available, and any donations will go toward the Anniversary Fund.



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 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.

Join Rev. Roberto in the Community Transformation Certificate Program

Servant Partners Canada and Rev. Roberto DeSandoli invite you to take part in this amazing 10-week program focused on seeing, hearing, and serving our most vulnerable downtown neighbours. Servant Partners co-founder Krista-Dawn Kimsey will be leading a cohort of St. Andrew's learners through this summer of deep, faithful, and transformative learning as we seek wholeness, Communion, and justice with our neighbours. If you have a heart for our downtown and feel Christ's calling to serve here, this program is for you. To find out more, please visit servantpartners.ca/ctc and reach out to Rev. Roberto (roberto@standrews-saskatoon). We will begin shortly after the May long weekend.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, "*Saints Alive*" is this **Thursday, May 9th**. Submissions may be dropped off at the church office or emailed to office@standrews-saskatoon.com. We know we recently put out a newsletter, but there is so much news to share! This next newsletter will be the last one before the program year starts up again in the fall.



The Pastoral Care Committee will meet on Wednesday May 8th – 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. in the lower fellowship hall of the church.

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 #72.

Missing Children and Burial Information

72. We call upon the federal government to allocate sufficient resources to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation to allow it to develop and maintain the National Residential School Student Death Register established by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "*Saints Alive*", the newsletter
- * Annual Report & Financial Statements

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 Micah Mission Remember Me Campaign will be launched April 28, 2024, with an invitation to churches to participate as a way to remember and to pray for those affected by the justice system and to consider donating to assist with costs of programs and services. Micah Mission works to transform the lives of incarcerated individuals and those formally incarcerated, and their families, promoting friendship as a vital part of community restoration, and offering those who have caused harm an opportunity to find new life by taking personal responsibility; valuing personal growth and accountability; and encouraging collaboration and reintegration rather than coercion and isolation. To learn more about Micah Mission and the services it provides, see: <https://themicahmission.org/> or contact info@themicahmission.org

Hello Friends of the GoForth Hub Club:

Please join us for this season's final gathering on Monday, May 6 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Calvin-Goforth Presbyterian Church (Located at the corner of Sommerfeld Avenue and Third Street.)

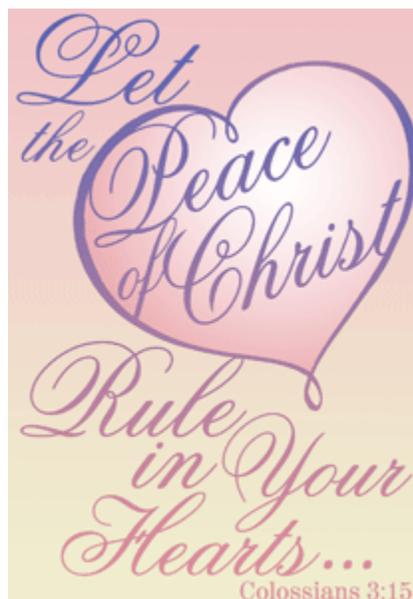
An opportunity to:

- Time to socialize
- A brief talk from a Parish/Faith Community Nurse on wellness
- An opportunity to have your blood pressure checked
- A brief exercise time with age-appropriate activities
- Entertainment
- Refreshments

A presentation on fraud prevention for seniors.

Masks Required (*Masks & hand sanitizer available: COVID protocols observed as COVID is still in the community, and folks are especially vulnerable to transmission in an indoor setting.*) Fully accessible – Free parking.

CALLING YOUNG ADULTS TO SUPPORT A JUST TRANSITION: KAIROS Canada is looking for applicants between the ages of 18-30 to participate in a project for the next stages of energy transition. Please see the poster in the entranceway for more information. The deadline to apply is today!



MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, May 5

Sydney Nkhata, a 27-year-old from Northern Malawi, is the chair of a youth network made up of 12 clubs. His management journey was significantly influenced by the "Every Youth Empowered" project, which provided valuable leadership training and is funded by PWS&D. Equipped with new skills, Sydney has become a mentor—guiding and nurturing club members. His efforts ensure that youth actively embrace and take ownership of the project, where they learn about sexual and reproductive health rights—turning it into an integral part of the community. As a result, girls and boys are more aware of the risks related to early pregnancies and transmission of diseases and are changing behaviours. Sydney's story highlights the transformative power of leadership training and showcases his commitment to mentorship and community development.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 5 We pray for the people attending Guidance Conference this week, that the student candidates will experience a Spirit-filled opportunity to reflect deeply on their sense of call to ministry in the church.

Monday, May 6 We pray for all who support PCC congregations and ministries with gifts of hospitality, helping strangers and seekers find a welcoming place in the church.

Tuesday, May 7 We pray for renewed relationships with church partners in Cuba as the church there seeks to continue Christ's ministry under the difficult circumstances of the embargo.

Wednesday, May 8 We pray for the Holy Spirit's leading as Atlantic Mission Society Presbyterians hold annual meetings this month.

Thursday, May 9 (Ascension Day) We give thanks for creative faith formation programs that congregations have developed to nurture people's faith.

Friday, May 10 We pray for the Committee on Church Doctrine as it grapples with how Presbyterians respond to Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD).

Saturday, May 11 We give thanks for the beauty of creation and pray that the people and nations of the world are inspired to protect and care for the earth, as God intended.