

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Pianist: Fran Gordon

Hymn Leader: Fran Gordon

Special Music: Mark Behrend, William Ahiahonu

May 8th, 2022

4th Sunday of Easter/Christian Family Sunday

"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake." – Psalm 23: 1-2

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:

Along with all those in heaven, let us cry out together:

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Along with the redeemed, let us praise God with joyful hearts:

For this reason, we come before the throne of God and worship the Lord day and night.

Called together by the Holy Spirit, let us rejoice and sing:

We will hunger and thirst no more. The Lamb will guide us to springs of the water of life.

Let us worship God!

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

“Saviour, like a shepherd lead us”

#485

Saviour, like a shepherd lead us: much we need your tender care; in your pleasant pastures feed us; for our use your folds prepare: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! you have bought us; yours we are. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! you have bought us; yours we are.

We are yours; in love befriend us; be the guardian of our way; keep your flock from sin, defend us; seek us when we go astray: blessed Jesus blessed Jesus! hear your children when we pray. Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus! hear your children when we pray.

Let us always seek your favour; let us always do your will. Jesus Christ our only Saviour, with yourself our spirits fill: blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! you have loved us; love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! you have loved us; love us still.

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Merciful God,
we confess we stray from your ways like lost sheep.
We follow the desires of our own hearts,
ignoring the needs of others.
We judge ourselves more generously than others.
We fail to offer others the forgiveness we seek from you.
We nurse grudges and cling to our own opinions.
Forgive the ways we betray your love,
and return us to your paths of truth and mercy.**

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:

“I have decided to follow Jesus”

#570

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me, no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow, no turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? No turning back, no turning back.

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 9: 36-43

Psalms 23

Revelation 7: 9-17

John 21: 15-19

-Jan Rodda

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon:

"Lamb of God"

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory:

"You're Always There"

– Mark Behrend

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:

"My shepherd is the King of love"

#691

My shepherd is the King of love whose goodness fails me never; for all things good from God above restore my soul forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul is guided, and where the verdant pastures grow, with heavenly food provided.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love you sought me, and on your shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with you, dear Lord, beside me; your rod and staff my comfort still, your cross before to guide me.

You spread a table in my sight, anointing grace bestowing, and, oh, what rapture of delight: your cup is overflowing.

And so through all the length of days your goodness fails me never; Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise within your house forever!

Benediction

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

Postlude

"I Got Rhythm"

- George Gershwin



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.

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 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.

BIKE CLUB is starting on Thursday, May 12 @ 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.



The next FundScrip order is due next **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".



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

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

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.**



represent **combined donations of \$100.**

Each pair of socks will

St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee

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/>

Presbyterians Sharing is transforming lives in Central America and Mexico.

Based in Guatemala, General Coordinator Judith Castañeda and the staff of the Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America (CEDEPCA) are empowering women and girls through their ministry of accompaniment. Women learn how to take on leadership roles in churches and their communities through faith-based activities

about their personal and legal rights, and the importance of formal education.

After completing CEDEPCA's Healthy Relationships course, one woman said, "I feel like a different woman. Before, I used to live locked in my home with a domestic routine, but now I have new friends, we do creative things."



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 8 (Christian Family Sunday) We pray for the health and well-being of families and that the relationships within them are marked by peace, love, trust and care.

Monday, May 9 We pray for the staff of the Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Guatemala as they empower women and girls throughout Central America and Mexico.

Tuesday, May 10 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on Church Doctrine.

Wednesday, May 11 We pray for the Canadian Armed Forces and all military chaplains who bring guidance and support to our troops and their families at home and abroad.

Thursday, May 12 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church in Northern Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, May 13 We pray for clerks of Session as they, with ministers and elders, provide leadership and pastoral care to congregations across Canada.

Saturday, May 14 We give thanks for the programs of the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora, Ontario, that provide a sense of belonging, care and inclusion for people struggling with homelessness and poverty.