

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Karen Plater

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

October 16th, 2022

19th Sunday after Pentecost/Presbyterians Sharing Sunday

"O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures." – Psalm 104: 24

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: Vocal Solo – Zion's Walls – Aaron Copland

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)

-Patti Polowick

One: God asks, "Why have you not attended to my creation and shared the abundance of this world?"

All: God notices the chaos and destruction occurring in the world.

We have been scattered and driven apart from each other,

One: Isolation and fear keep us at a distance from each other, and from God.

All: We have drifted from God's fold in search of creature comforts

One: Only to discover that we have forgotten the promise of God's provision.

All: The Lord God promises to gather the lost and lonely, bringing us back to safety:

One: "I will raise up leaders who will care for my creation and for each other and they shall know fear no longer."

All: Sing for joy today as God's righteousness is at hand and we are witnesses to God's justice.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Christ, you call us all to service"

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Too often we are preoccupied by looking after ourselves and caring for others,
and we forget that the future is created by actions we take today.
Things we consume and acquire draw us away from your beloved community.
We settle for worldly pleasures and treasures;
When you have promised us the power to create, to love, to heal.
Forgive us for so easily squandering these gifts.
Move our hearts, O God. Help us loosen our grip on all we claim to be “mine”.
Open our hearts, Holy Spirit, to receive the gifts and power you offer us.
Align our hearts, Christ Jesus, to faithfully steward the creation that is “ours”.
Amen**

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'm gonna live so God can use me”*** **#648**

(Children leave for Church School in the lower hall)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Job 24: 1-25

- Pearson Ahiahonu

Psalms 104

Luke 12: 16-21

-Karen Plater

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon:

“God's Economy”

-Karen Plater

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Piano Duet: Variations on a Shaker Melody, from “Appalachian Spring” – Aaron Copland

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:

"Take my life, and let it be consecrated"

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Benediction

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

Postlude: Vocal Solo – Simple Gifts – Aaron Copland

Greeters & Collectors:

**Esther Efeme, Laura Van Loon,
Christine Meier, Ken Wilson**

Lock up:

Estelle Griffiths



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.

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 thru Thursday, 9:00AM-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.

We welcome Karen Plater to the pulpit this morning. Karen is the Associate Secretary for Stewardship for The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

We thank the Stewardship Committee for organizing Worship this morning.



Remember the OUTREACH and PASTORAL CARE annual blanket and warm clothing drive, for all of October. There is a bin in the entranceway for your donations.



YOUTH GROUP

All ages youth group
Sunday, October 16, 5:30-8:30 at Zion Lutheran
CREATION theme with
Prayer & Litter Walk
Hamburgers & Hotdogs
Volleyball and Ice breakers
RSVP text or call Martha 3062702378

HOLD YOUR SMILE!! We want to update our church directory. Photo Directory day is next Sunday, October 23rd. In the meantime, make sure you filled out a contact form to update our database (found at the back of the church each week)



NAME TAGS



With the return to in-person worship we are looking at providing name tags for all members of the congregation. An engraving machine was donated to St. Andrew's just before Covid and so we will need to re-learn how to use it before creating the tags. Anyone interested in helping us out is more than welcome. Please contact Al Ireland or Trung Nguyen for more information.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Oct/Nov/Dec Suggested donation: \$3.00
- * Copies of the fall issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "Saints Alive", the newsletter

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

GoFORTH HUB CLUB - Come and join in the first monthly event on Monday, November 7 from 1:30 to 4 pm. Calvin-Goforth has informally partnered with St. Andrew's as we become more missional and develop outreach initiatives in the community. Our hub club is a way to provide a fun afternoon for seniors - including time to socialize, wellness information from a pharmacist, entertainment and educational presentations, a chance to check your blood pressure, some exercise time and healthy refreshments. On Nov. 7, we have a presentation on how to identify birds in the winter and the types of seed to feed different birds. Come to Calvin-Goforth Presbyterian Church and join in the fun! Free parking! You can contact Laura at 306-229-7846 for more information.

FOREVER IN MOTION - Are you interested in fitness for seniors? We're looking for someone who would be willing to take the Forever in Motion training (provided through SaskHealth Authority) and provide 10-15 minutes of exercise on the first Monday of each month for our Hub Club. If you're interested, please contact Sheila Cameron-Hopkins (306-955-9119)

In 2015 the **TRUTH & RECONCILIATION COMMISSION** published 94 "calls to action" urging all levels of government — federal, provincial, territorial and aboriginal — to work together to change policies and programs in a concerted effort to repair the harm caused by residential schools and move forward with reconciliation. It was a call to all Canadians to examine their approach to these areas.

The "calls to action" are divided into two parts: legacy (1 to 42) and reconciliation (43 to 94.)

There are sections that group the action items

Each Sunday we will share one call to Action and you can research the progress each has made. The Christian Education Committee will continue to bring information to the congregation as we all relearn, learn, listen and build new relationships of respect and love for one another.

Child Welfare

Call to Action #2

We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with the provinces and territories, to prepare and publish annual reports on the number of Aboriginal children (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis) who are in care, compared with non-Aboriginal children, as well as the reasons for apprehension, the total spending on preventive and care services by child-welfare agencies, and the effectiveness of various interventions.



In Pakistan, after repeated and prolonged droughts, Rano and her husband, Jeevo, were left with land that was unable to produce a harvest. As they were contending with worries about how they would feed their family, the situation turned worse when Jeevo's mother died, and they had to take on significant debt in order to pay for the funeral expenses. Jeevo went to Karachi to work, while Rano purchased food and necessities for the family on credit. Unfortunately, Jeevo's earnings were only enough to pay their debt and nothing else. Things finally improved when Rano and Jeevo's family were selected to be part of a Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) food assistance project, where they received food packages of oil, wheat, rice, sugar, tea and salt. **As a church, our Christian response to hunger is put into action through PWS&D and Canadian Foodgrains Bank.**



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, October 16 (Students and Colleges Sunday) We give thanks to God for our three theological colleges—The Presbyterian College (Montreal, Quebec), Knox College (Toronto, Ontario) and St. Andrew's Hall/Vancouver School of Theology (British Columbia)—and we pray for the students as they prepare for ministry.

Monday, October 17 (International Day for the Eradication of Poverty) We pray for an end to poverty, as well as for guidance and strength for those who are working to eliminate poverty and helping meet the needs of all who are experiencing it.

Tuesday, October 18 We pray for guidance and creativity for the Women's Missionary Society Council Executive and the 2024 Planning Team as they meet at the national office of the PCC from October 17–19.

Wednesday, October 19 We pray for the members and work of the Life and Mission Agency Committee.

Thursday, October 20 We pray for the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan and for Nancy Lin, Ecumenical Relations Program Secretary, as she recovers from a medical condition.

Friday, October 21 We give thanks and pray for those working in nursing and long-term care homes and hospitals as they provide care to people, often in understaffed facilities.

Saturday, October 22 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Edmonton Urban Native Ministry in Alberta, and we give thanks for their ministry.