

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

## ***THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP***

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

### **17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday**

*"Many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray." – Luke 5: 15b-16*

*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: Prelude, from *Parsifal* – Richard Wagner

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)

We come as guests invited to a table;

**We come to celebrate with friends and neighbours.**

Jesus Christ, our Friend and Saviour, invites us to gather:

**We gather with his friends around the world.**

Come and worship with hearts full of God's praise and promise.

**We worship God in gladness, for God's faithfulness endures forever.**

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:**

***"Jesus calls us here to meet him"***

**#528**

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of mercy and mystery,

When you invite us to your table,

you ask us to come with clean hands and open hearts.

You ask us to come in peace,

seeking reconciliation with you and with each other.

In this silence, we hand over to you

the broken relationships, disagreements and disappointments

that keep us from living in your peace.

Free us from the burdens we carry

and help us to speak your word of peace to a troubled world.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

*(Children leave for Church School in the lower hall)*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Leviticus 13: 1-3

Ephesians 2: 1-9

Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16

Luke 5: 1-16

- William Ahiahonu

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon:

"I do choose"

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: One World, One Communion – Pepper Choplin

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.**

## **GOD'S WORD MADE VISIBLE**

Invitation to the Table

The Apostles' Creed (#539)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin  
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into  
heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**



**Praise:**

***“All who hunger, gather gladly”***

**#534**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The prayer opens with thanksgiving to God: “... we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.”*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. (#829)**

*Thanksgiving continues for the work of Jesus Christ: “... we proclaim the mystery of faith:”*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again. (#523)**

*The presence of the Holy Spirit is invoked followed by a doxology  
and the people say: **Amen.***

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.**

Music: O, for the Wings of a Dove - Mendelssohn

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion:

**Loving God,**

**you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with Christ.**

**Help us to bring your salvation and joy to all the world.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**WE GO OUT IN GOD’S NAME**

**Praise:**

***“Now let us from this table rise”***

**#556**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Chorale Prelude #4 “My Faithful Heart Rejoices” – Johannes Brahms



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](mailto:office@standrews-saskatoon.com), Website: [www.standrews-saskatoon.com](http://www.standrews-saskatoon.com)

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

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## *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](http://www.standrews-saskatoon.com) for those who are worshipping from home.

Check your inbox for the latest edition of "**Saints Alive**", the church newsletter. There are also paper copies available on the entranceway table.



### 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.



The PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE will meet on Wednesday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the Lower, Fellowship Hall of the Church.

### 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](http://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 Synod of Saskatchewan** will be meeting at Queen's House of Retreats (601 Taylor St. W, Saskatoon) from October 13-15, 2022. Ministers and representative elders from all the Presbyterian Churches in Saskatchewan will be meeting to oversee the work of the Synod, including regional ministries in youth work, mission, and congregational development, as well as Camp Christopher.

You are invited to join the Synod for three special events if you are in the Saskatoon area:

1. Friday, Oct. 14, 1:00 pm - "Journey for Hope" A Fundraising Walk/Run/Ride for Presbyterian World Service & Development. Follow this link for more details, and to sign up to participate: <https://form.jotform.com/221925242733251>
2. Friday, Oct. 14, 2:30 pm – Educational Component on PWS&D and Presbyterians Sharing, with Guy Smagghe, Director of PWS&D, and Karen Plater, Associate Secretary for Stewardship and Planned Giving at the PCC.
3. Friday, Oct. 14, 7:30 pm – Public Worship Service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (436 Spadina Cres. E, Saskatoon). Karen Plater will be preaching, and we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion together.

If you are not in the Saskatoon area, you can still support the "Journey for Hope" for PWS&D by making a donation here: <http://werespond.ca/donate-synod-sk>. The Public Worship Service will also be livestreamed to St. Andrew's YouTube Channel here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCK-rvToGh7GjP15se0rCSBw>

For more information, contact the Clerk of Synod, the Rev. Amanda Currie: [amanda@curriejesson.ca](mailto:amanda@curriejesson.ca) or 306-580-8095.

Dear Saskatoon Presbyterians,

You may have read the bulletin notice about the upcoming meeting of the Synod of Saskatchewan and assumed that it's for the ministers and representative elders. But I would like to invite you to join us for some very special events happening right in your neighbourhood on Friday, Oct. 14th.

You've heard about Presbyterians Sharing and Presbyterian World Service and Development lots of times at church. These are important ministries of our church in which you are participants, and we are grateful for your faithful generosity in giving and sharing from what you have received.

On Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> we will have Guy Smagghe, Director of PWS&D speaking at 2:30 pm and Karen Plater, Associate Secretary for Stewardship at the PCC speaking at 4:15 pm about Presbyterians Sharing. It's a rare opportunity to have these leaders and experts in Saskatchewan, and for them to have the chance to meet you who support these ministries every year.

You are warmly invited to attend these presentations at Queen's House of Retreats. You don't even need to register! I hope to see you at the Friday evening worship at St. Andrew's as well. If you are interested in joining the walk/ride/run on Friday afternoon, send me a quick email so I can get you

registered: [amanda@curriejesson.ca](mailto:amanda@curriejesson.ca)

Rev. Amanda Currie

Clerk, Synod of Saskatchewan



Remember the **OUTREACH** and **PASTORAL CARE** annual blanket and warm clothing drive, for all of October.

After Mikabens's first birthday in Haiti, his health began to deteriorate rapidly, showing signs of severe malnutrition. His parents brought him to the hospital, where he was diagnosed with severe acute malnutrition and consequently admitted for therapeutic nutrition treatment.

Mikabens has since gained close to two kilograms and will shortly be able to return home. **Presbyterian World Service & Development's partnership with Zanmi Lasante (Partners in Health) and Canadian Foodgrains Bank is helping many young children in Haiti overcome critical malnutrition.**



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**DAILY PRAYERS**

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**Saturday, October 1** We pray for participants in the first Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) Journey of Hope as they cycle, run and walk in support of PWS&D's food security programs around the world.

**Sunday, October 2** We give thanks for all those who gather around the Lord's table on this **World Communion Sunday**. In this act of unity, we share in the body of Christ.

**Monday, October 3** We pray for dedicated health-care workers in Haiti who are helping malnourished children regain their strength with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

**Tuesday, October 4** On the **National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls**, we pray that those missing will be found, families and communities will find comfort and healing, and that society will recognize and challenge structures and practices that have enabled violence against Indigenous women, girls and gender-diverse people.

**Wednesday, October 5** We pray for our Jewish neighbours observing **Yom Kippur**.

**Thursday, October 6** We give thanks and pray for the Reformed Church in Transcarpathia and Bishop Sándor Zán-Fábián as the church provides physical and spiritual support to internally displaced people in Ukraine.

**Friday, October 7** We pray for the members of the Special Committee on Petitions 1 and 2, 2021, as they continue to listen to stories of marginalization and discrimination in the church and work to design a statement of apology.

**Saturday, October 8** We pray for the people who gather and serve at Cedar Tree Ministries on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, and we give thanks for their ministry.