

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

September 11th, 2022

14th Sunday after Pentecost

*"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost."
– 1 Timothy 1: 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: The Prince of Denmark's March – Jeremiah Clarke

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)

O God, you have searched us and known us.

You know when we sit down and when we rise up.

You discern our thoughts from far away.

Before a word is on our tongues, Lord, you know it completely.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for us, and so we humble ourselves in worship.

In this hour, search us and know our hearts, O God, and lead us in the way everlasting.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"My shepherd is the King of love"

#691

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Great and Holy God,

we gather in Jesus' name to hear His Truth,

to gain wisdom and to know your Spirit's guidance.

Yet we confess that pride prevents us from hearing the good news

and that we resist the power of your Word to change us.

Forgive what we have been,

help us amend who we are and

set us free to be who you have called us to be.

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: *"For the beauty of the earth"* **#434**

(Children leave for Church School in the lower hall)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 32: 7-14

-Ken Wilson

Psalm 51: 1-10

-Naomi Piggott-Suchan

1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Luke 15: 1-10

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Lost and Found" -The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Stewardship Moment - Patti Polowick

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Piano/Organ Duet: For the Beauty of the Earth – Conrad Kocher, arr. James & Stan Pethel

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: *"Amazing grace"* **#670**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Piano Improvisation on "Amazing Grace"



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, 9:00-2:00 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.

Fall Kick-Off

Next Sunday, September 18th is a big day! Recognitions during Worship, a Welcome BBQ following Worship, and a kick off for Kids Klub. Please plan to attend!

GRADES 6-12! An exciting new partnership with Zion Lutheran for some of our gatherings will begin this fall! The first will be on Sunday, September 18th, at Zion, beginning at 5:30 pm.



DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, "Saints Alive" is next **Sunday, September 18th**. Submissions may be dropped off at the church office or emailed to office@standrews-saskatoon.com.



The next **FundScrip** order is due **TODAY**, September 11th. 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".

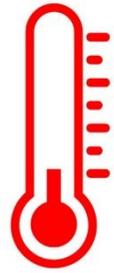
CHOIR rehearsals are on Thursdays, at 7 pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome!



IT'S BACK!!!

With the return of in-person services, it is time to update and pin up the financial thermometer that tells us where we are with respect to both our general fund budget and Presbyterians Sharing budget goals. Please take the time check it out in the entranceway; it will be updated every month.

For those not in the building in person, a sneak peek would tell you that we are currently at 69% of the general fund budget of \$240,125 and 58% of the Presbyterians Sharing goal of \$16,000, with two-thirds of the year finished. There is still a long way to go. Thanks for all of your generous contributions.



AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Oct/Nov/Dec Suggested donation: \$3.00.
- * Copies of the summer 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

PWS&D Pakistan Flood Response

It seems as if it is just one thing after another. The most current world crisis requiring assistance is in Pakistan.

Pakistan is currently being devastated by widespread flooding and landslides caused by severe monsoon rains. There has been significant loss of human life, property, and infrastructure. Join us in praying for safety and security for the millions of people affected by the ongoing crisis.

The country has received almost three times the yearly average for rain, even as more falls. One third of the country is inundated, with water unlikely to recede soon. The United Nations estimates that 33 million people are affected; 6.4 million people require emergency assistance.

In Sindh province, where PWS&D has been supporting work with our partner, Community World Service Asia, farm families were still recovering from loss of crops and property due to flooding in 2020. The current disaster means they require urgent humanitarian support.

PWS&D is planning an emergency response that would provide monthly cash assistance to over 2,000 families for a three-month period. This cash will help families affected by the flooding to meet their immediate food needs.

You can support this life-saving assistance by donating to PWS&D through the church office via all current means of donation, donating online (<https://presbyterian.ca/donate/donate-to-pwsd/>) or calling 1-800-619-7301 x291. Please mark donations as "Pakistan Relief."



Inspired by the early apostles, the Rev. Mike Veenema launched REACH, a ministry that takes place in the streets, screens, homes and public institutions of Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley. REACH focuses on gathering people to worship and become disciples of Jesus Christ. Central to this ministry is Mike's willingness to go out and draw people together in worship where they are. As the Rev. Mike himself described, "Whether they are in custody, in long-term care, struggling on the streets, or in their homes, I go to where they are." Mike receives coaching and training support through Cyclical PCC, a church-planting initiative that is supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 11 We pray for the Rev. Michael Veenema and the REACH ministry in Nova Scotia.

Monday, September 12 We give thanks and pray for teachers and all those who support education in schools.

Tuesday, September 13 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on Church Doctrine.

Wednesday, September 14 We pray for clergy who are beginning their service in active ministry in their first pastoral charges, as well as for clergy who are entering retirement.

Thursday, September 15 We pray for the members and work of the National Indigenous Ministry Council.

Friday, September 16 We pray for LGBTQI2+ refugees seeking sanctuary. We pray for their safety and give thanks for their sponsors.

Saturday, September 17 We pray for members of the Atlantic Mission Society as they meet online for their Annual Meeting today.