

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 10th, 2023

15th Sunday after Pentecost

"I desire mercy, not sacrifice." – Hosea 6: 6

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 in B Minor, from *The Well-Tempered Klavier, Book. 1* – J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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)

God you call us all to worship and follow you

The righteous and the unrighteous, the weak and the strong

You call us all to turn away from past sins and failings

Offering new life, you call us to walk in your ways

In this time of worship, help us to believe it has been achieved

We have been made a new creation, we have been saved

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Stand up and bless the Lord"

#411

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

God, as we seek to hear your words of reconciliation and mercy this morning, we come freely to confess the words we have used and the actions we have taken that are not from you. We pause to remember those we have thought ill of and those we have judged in our human hearts this week (pause).

Remake us, O Lord, according to your purposes; blot out our transgressions, wash us of iniquity, cleanse us with hyssop, that we may be made clean and given the mercy to try again.

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

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.

Praise: *"I heard the voice of Jesus say"* **#671**
(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Hosea 6: 1-6

- Fran Gordon

Psalm 51 Refrain 1

Galatians 1: 11-24

Matthew 9: 9-13

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Matthew, the Tax Collector" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Rondino, from *Cello Concerts in D Major* – Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

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: *"Just as I am, without one plea"* **#682 vs. 1-4**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Fantasia – Johann Krieger (1651-1735)

CE Coordinator:

Martha Fergusson

Lock up:

Heather Reichert

No Coffee Today:



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

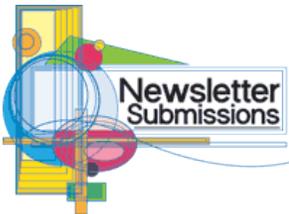
Fall Sunday Sermon Series: "Jesus in Relationship"

From September 3 to October 8 (excluding Sept 24 - Presbyterians Sharing Sunday) Rev. Roberto will be leading us in an exploration of "Jesus in Relationship." How does Jesus engage in relationships throughout His ministry? Who does Jesus take care to make time for? How does He lovingly engage even those who mock and persecute Him? And what do these things mean for us in our own relationships with Jesus? In this five-week series, we will follow Jesus in his relationships with Simon Peter the Disciple, Levi the Tax Collector, The Faithful Centurion, The Dying Thief, and Nicodemus the Pharisee



- Thursday, September 14 at 7pm, Choir practice resumes
- Sunday, September 17 – Church BBQ following Worship

The sign up sheet to host coffee time is available in the church kitchen.



As the new program year begins, it's time to think about a newsletter! Please have all submissions into the church office by Monday, September 18th.
office@standrews-saskatoon.com

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Jul/Aug/Sep Suggested donation: \$3.00
- * Copies of the summer issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "Saints Alive", the newsletter
- * 2023 Offering Envelopes
- * 2022 Annual Report
- * 2022 Accountant Statements

In Our Wider Community

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 #38.

Justice

38. We call upon the federal, provincial, territorial, and Aboriginal governments to commit to eliminating the overrepresentation of Aboriginal youth in custody over the next decade.

HUB CITY GROUP AT CALVIN-GOFORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The season will begin at 1:30 at the church. Masks are required.

Monday, Oct. 2 – Alex Pelletier - Behind the Scenes of a National Geographic Expedition to the Amazon

Monday, Nov. 6 - Jeff O'Brien - The Great War Monday,

Monday, Dec. 4 - Christmas Sing-a-long

Please call Laura for any further information at 306-229-7846.

SASKATOON COUNCIL ON AGING

Tues Sept 26 - 1:30 to 3 pm

Mtg Room 3, Field House, 2020 College Dr. [Free Parking]

Cost: Free to attend

Seats limited PH 306.652.2255 to reserve your spot

Who: Nancy Newby and Chris Gordon – Senior Dental Hygienists/Long Term Care Coordinators for the Oral Health Program/Public Health in SHA.

When: Tuesday, September 26 - 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Where: Mtg Room 3 in the Field House, 2020 College Drive. FREE PARKING.

What: An hour-long presentation (including time for questions)

Join us for an informative and eye opening information session that will give you the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of why “Oral Health is Essential for Overall Health.” You will leave with knowledge and skills on the best ways to maintain both your loved ones and your own oral health.

Cost: FREE to Attend. There will be information pamphlets available along with some oral health goodies for all to take home.

In-person seats are limited – call 306-652-2255 to save your spot. Coffee and refreshments provided.

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

Pakistan is the world's third-largest refugee host country, accommodating over a million Afghans who fled their homes due to war, internal conflict, insecurity and persecution. The poorest refugees lack sufficient access to necessities such as food, shelter, clothing and health care. Another need expressed by Afghan refugees is for their children to be able to access schooling. PWS&D is responding to this need by providing a digital learning facility where Afghan refugee children and young women can access virtual education in place of traditional schools. The Digital Learning Center is one way of supporting those who have already lost so much. It is planting the seeds for current and future success for children and young women who would otherwise be entirely out of school.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 10 We give thanks for the professors and staff at our three theological colleges. May they teach with wisdom, enthusiasm and love for the students.

Monday, September 11 We pray for musicians as they help lead the church in praise.

Tuesday, September 12 We pray for all those who are struggling with addiction and related mental health issues, and for their families and loved ones. May they find the support, care and resources they need to heal and recover.

Wednesday, September 13 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of East Toronto.

Thursday, September 14 We pray for the congregation of St. Andrew's (Ancaster) as they work through the PCC's New Beginnings Renewal Program to discern their next steps in ministry.

Friday, September 15 We pray for all of the students attending the church's theological colleges. May God grant them strength, clarity of mind and the ability to balance all aspects of their busy lives.

Saturday, September 16 We pray for Edmonton Urban Native Ministries, which runs a drop-in centre out of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, and the people it serves.