ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli
Guest Preacher: Krista-Dawn Kimsey
Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan
Organist: Paul Suchan
September 7th, 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

"Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? Says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel."
– Jeremiah 18: 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.

Preparation for Worship:
As the Christ Candle is lit, we invite you to observe a time of quiet reflection prior to our service.
Prelude: Intermezzo – Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

Welcome and Announcements - Al Ireland

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)
Like clay on a wheel
God forms us: shaping us, molding us, creating us.
And like moldable clay,
God continues to shape us.
Let us worship God.
Prayer of Adoration

Praise: ***"Will you come and follow me"*** ***#634***

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)
Creator God, you know us better than anyone else. You formed us in your own image. And yet, we sometimes stray from the gift you've given us.
We keep people at a distance, letting systemic and personal barriers get in the way of relationships.
Forgive us, Lord. Let us hear your call to change and do better.
Empower us to ask for forgiveness from those whom we have wronged. Help us to think of you and those around us.
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 have decided to follow Jesus"*** ***#570***

(Children leave for church school)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 18: 1-11 - Pearson Ahiahonu

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 Refrain 1

Philemon 1: 1-21

Luke 14: 25-33

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon - Krista-Dawn Kimsey

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Évocations (les prairies canadiennes) – Denis Bédard (b. 1950)

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: ***"The clay-stained hands of love"*** ***#296***

Benediction

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

Postlude: Abide With Me – Spiritual, arr. Paul Suchan

Greeters & Collectors: Pearson & Elizabeth Ahiahonu, Fafali Ahiahonu

Coffee Hosts: Laura & Charles Roy

Krista-Dawn Kimsey lives pleasantly in Pleasant Hill with her husband Joel, two kids, an exchange student and two rabbits. She has 3 decades of experience living and working among vulnerable communities across North America. She is currently the Community Engagement Specialist at The Mustard Seed and loves to talk about how anyone can get involved over a good cup of coffee.



Back into the swing of things! Coming up:

- Choir resumes on Thursday, September 11 at 7pm
- Welcome BBQ on Sunday, September 14, following Worship
- Anniversary Weekend, September 26-28
- Submissions for the next edition of the newsletter are due on September 21

After Worship next Sunday, September 14th, please stay for a **WELCOME BBQ**, with food, fun and community!



Special Congregational Meeting of St. Andrew's - Called by the Board of Managers, at 12:30 pm, Sunday, September 21, 2025, in the Church Sanctuary and by Zoom. Agenda to discuss: 1) Exterior Church Review; 2) Air Quality Assessment (pertaining to potential mold); 3) Funding for Exterior Repairs (Congregation contribution; Presbytery Grant Application and interest free loan, Government Grant Application); 4) Hiring a Project Manager. A more detailed Agenda will be available prior to the meeting. In order to move forward with tenders, we need all the moving parts to come together in the Fall of 2025 with the goal of starting the repairs in the Spring of 2026. When the Exterior repairs are complete, we can safely entertain interior repairs and upgrades in the future.
On behalf of the Board of Managers, I look forward to your participation.
Kirk Ready, Convenor, Board of Managers, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Saskatoon, 705 493-3513, boardchair@standrewsyxe.ca, www.standrewsyxe.ca

St. A's Homecoming 100th Party!! September 26-28, 2025.



We need your help! Plan to attend!!
Sept. 26 – 5pm – KICK-OFF Event – Bouncy Castle, Pizza and Bistro on B Food Trucks available.
7pm – In the Sanctuary – **Jeff O'Brien Presents** – Stories of Saskatoon
Sept. 27 -10am – 12pm – Free Pancake Breakfast at the church
Saturday beginning **at 5pm – Anniversary Gala Banquet at the WDM – 2610 Lorne Ave**
Reception, Banquet, Special Guests and Speakers, Photo booth, Premier St. A video Presentation Special Music Presentation.
Sept. 28 – 11am Worship Service with Fellowship hour (lots of cake and sparklers!) to follow.

Tickets for the Banquet??? Purchase by Sept. 21. There are banquet ticket forms on the entranceway table, or call the church office to add your name to the reservation list. 306-242-0525. Tickets can be purchased using cash, cheque, e-transfer.
Ticket prices: Adults $35.00, children 4-10 years - $20.00. Under 4 – free

Let's enjoy the Party, together!!

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, *"Saints Alive"* is **Sunday, September 21st**. Submissions may be dropped off at the church office or emailed to office@standrewsyxe.ca





Coffee hour will resume today.

A sign up roster can be found in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Charles Roy at 306-361-1976 or by email cl.roy@shaw.ca

Prayer Requests: Email Margaret Wilson at: ma.wilson@shaw.ca More information on Pastoral Care Bulletin Board.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- Contact Information Forms
- The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- Annual Report & Financial Statements

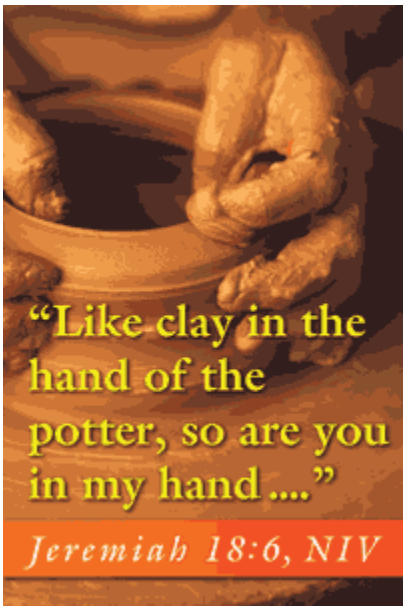
Missed out on a worship service?

If you are looking for a service you missed, or want to see information in a previous bulletin, simply follow these steps:

1) Visit standrewsyxe.ca

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



MISSION MOMENT **Sunday, September 7**



In the Mediterranean, the olive tree is an ancient source of livelihood and nutrition. It grows in poor soil, yields precious fruit, and can live for more than a thousand years. Israeli military and settlers have destroyed hundreds of thousands of olive trees belonging to Palestinian farmers. In support and solidarity with Palestinian farmers, the Olive Tree Campaign provides olive tree saplings to farmers, allowing them to remain on their land and earn a living. Since 2018, the PCC has been supporting this campaign and farmers who receive sponsored trees. Funds from Presbyterians Sharing and donations help strengthen Palestinian resilience and help keep their hope alive for a better future.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, September 7 We pray for the Olive Tree Campaign and Palestinian farmers who keep hope alive in the West Bank by planting new olive trees amid the destruction and ongoing threats from Israeli forces.

Monday, September 8 (World Literacy Day) We give thanks that children in Pakistan, Malawi and Guatemala have the opportunity to access schools, learn to read and write, and build a brighter future with PWS&D's support.

Tuesday, September 9 We pray for Knox College students, both new and returning, as they embark on the Fall 2025 semester. May they find wisdom in their studies, friendship in their communities, and may they be shaped for lives of purpose and service.

Wednesday, September 10 We pray for those who work to care for the records of their congregations, preserving the history of church within their communities.

Thursday, September 11 We pray for the Rev. Dr. Tim Dickau and the Rev. Dr. Mark Glanville as they offer the next Missional certificate program for congregational cohorts this fall at the Centre for Missional Leadership at St Andrew's Hall.

Friday, September 12 We pray for families and individuals in Yemen who are receiving food assistance through PWS&D. May this support bring them nourishment and strength.

Saturday, September 13 We pray for the students who are beginning theological studies at The Presbyterian College in Montreal. Guide them in every detail as they prepare for this important stage in their life's journey.