

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

### **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

*"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."*

*– Acts 4: 11*

*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 G Minor, BWV 929 – 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)

Jesus the Christ said, I am the Good Shepherd.

**We have come to follow him.**

We gather in the name of the One who leads us by still waters.

**We have come to be restored in him.**

We gather in the name of the One who prepares a banquet for us.

**We have come to be fed by his love, so let us worship God.**

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:**

***"In loving partnership"***

**#759**

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

**God of mercy,**

**you lead us into green pastures,**

**but our driven lives leave no time for peace.**

**You offer us rest,**

**but we are too busy pursuing our own goals.**

**You call us to show compassion,**

**but we are quick to justify; and quicker to judge.**

**Forgive us, O God, humble us and lead our hearts back to you.**

**Amen.**

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:** *"Saviour, like a shepherd lead us"* **#485**  
(Children leave for Church School)

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 4: 5-12

- Rehema Nyekanyeka

Psalm 23 Refrain 3

I John 3: 16-24

John 10: 11-18

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "Serving in His Name" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

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

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Let All the People Praise Thee – Natalie Sleeth (1930-1992)

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 Lord's my shepherd"* **#11**

Benediction

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

Postlude: The King of Love My Shepherd Is – St. Columba, Trad. Irish melody

Greeters & Collectors: Charles & Laura Roy, Angie Smibert

Lock Up: Kirk Ready, Heather Reichert

Lunch and Learn: Pastoral Care



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

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

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## Announcements

**Today**, Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> – “**Lunch & Learn**” – sponsored by the Pastoral Care Committee. Following the worship service, lunch & coffee will be provided. There will be a power point presentation “Care for the Caregiver” - by Laura Van Loon, St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Nurse.



COPIES OF “SAINTS ALIVE”, St. Andrew's newsletter, are available on the entranceway table this morning. There are extra copies available for newcomers, visitors, or for regulars to pass along.



**MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA.** Bring someone special and enjoy a British-style Afternoon Tea on Saturday, May 11th, 2024, between 1:45 pm and 4:00 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 436 Spadina Cres East (corner of Spadina Cres and 20th Street). Tickets are \$30 each. Reservations are required. To make a reservation, please contact Sandra by email at [standrews.afternoontea@gmail.com](mailto:standrews.afternoontea@gmail.com) or call 306-260-7734. Seating is limited, so book early. Proceeds from this Tea will go to St Andrew's Anniversary Committee Fund.

### **Hanging Basket Season is just around the corner!**

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church congregation will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary in September 2025!! Beginning April 14 order forms will be available to place your order for as many hanging baskets as you would like to enjoy during the Spring and Summer season. This is an early fundraiser hosted by the Anniversary Committee. Delivery/pick up date is May 11 at the Mother's Day Tea! Order forms are available on the counter at the back of the church. Any questions contact Heather Kolojaj or Jan Rodda.



**Thank you** to all who helped out with baking muffins for the Ecumenical Chaplaincy during this past academic year. George Hind, the Ecumenical Chaplain at the U of S, found that more students participated in the Good Breakfast program as well as his Tuesday night suppers than previous years. In fact, he had to limit the number of students attending the suppers. Both he, and the students, especially appreciated the fresh baked muffins that we provided. One of the students took the time to write a letter of appreciation which has been posted on the bulletin board in the entryway. The success of the Good Breakfast program unfortunately points to an increased need, and we are pleased that St. Andrew's was able to help fill that need. The programs will be shutting down for the summer but will start up again in September, so if there is anyone who would like to participate at that time, please contact a member of the Outreach Committee.

### **Sandwich Making Party!**

The Outreach committee is holding a party today! If you are interested, please join the committee members in the kitchen after the service to help them make sandwiches for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. These parties are held regularly so if you find that you can't make it today, you can join us on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.

### **Join Rev. Roberto in the Community Transformation Certificate Program**

Servant Partners Canada and Rev. Roberto DeSandoli invite you to take part in this amazing 10-week program focused on seeing, hearing, and serving our most vulnerable downtown neighbours. Servant Partners co-founder Krista-Dawn Kimsey will be leading a cohort of St. Andrew's learners through this summer of deep, faithful, and transformative learning as we seek wholeness, Communion, and justice with our neighbours. If you have a heart for our downtown and feel Christ's calling to serve here, this program is for you. To find out more, please visit [servantpartners.ca/ctc](http://servantpartners.ca/ctc) and reach out to Rev. Roberto (roberto@standrews-saskatoon). We will begin shortly after the May long weekend.

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 #70.

#### Museums and Archives

70. We call upon the federal government to provide funding to the Canadian Association of Archivists to undertake, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, a national review of archival policies and best practices to:

- i. Determine the level of compliance with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the United Nations Joint-Orientlicher Principles, as related to Aboriginal peoples' inalienable right to know the truth about what happened and why, with regard to human rights violations committed against them in the residential schools.
- ii. Produce a report with recommendations for full implementation of these international mechanisms as a reconciliation framework for Canadian archives

### **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



# MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, April 21

In the Kushkak village in Afghanistan, 42-year-old Guljan lived a simple life with her husband and four children until one day in October 2023, when an earthquake struck their village. Guljan lost her husband and 11-year-old son. After the disaster, she encountered significant challenges in getting assistance due to the gender



disparities present in her village. However, PWS&D's partner recognized her needs and provided Guljan's family with a winterized tent to help endure the harsh weather conditions. PWS&D provided food assistance, as well as other support after the earthquake to help people survive the winter challenges.

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## DAILY PRAYERS

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**Sunday, April 21** We give thanks for ministries like Calvin-Goforth's "Hub Club" in Saskatoon, SK that encourage greater social inclusion for seniors and older adults.

**Monday, April 22 (Earth Day)** We pray for the healing of the earth and for PWS&D projects promoting environmental stewardship and sustainability while helping communities break cycles of hunger and poverty.

**Tuesday, April 23** We pray for Atlantic Mission Society Auxiliaries as they reach out with Christ's love to those in need in their communities.

**Wednesday, April 24** We pray for people living in long-term care facilities, that they may continue to be engaged participants in the life and ministry of a congregation.

**Thursday, April 25** We pray for the work of the Committee on Education and Reception as it meets this week.

**Friday, April 26** We pray for The Presbyterian College's Dean of Students, the Rev. Prudence Neba, and each student who is writing exams, papers, and making important decisions regarding the summer semester.

**Saturday, April 27** We pray for the Synod of Central, Northeastern Ontario & Bermuda.