

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 7th, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter

"We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete." – 1 John 1: 4

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: Echo Fantasia in A Aeolian – Jan Sweelinck (1562-1621)

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 gather with joy, for Easter continues.

Locked doors have been opened and fear has turned to peace.

We celebrate the presence of the Risen Christ among us.

Doubts can be erased and uncertainty turned to faith.

Let us rejoice and be glad!

We offer our prayers and praise with humble, hopeful hearts.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Christ is alive"

#251

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

Merciful God,

we confess our trust in you can weaken,

and we become anxious about many things.

We talk about love,

but we fear those who differ from us.

We cling to our personal agendas,

and neglect your call to serve others,

especially when that service costs us something.

Forgive us.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit,

rekindle our passion for you,

so we can witness to your love in all we do. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon
(Children come forward)

Children's Time/Affirmation of New Members

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: "May God's love be fixed above you" #582
(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 4: 32-35

- William Ahiahonu

Psalms 133 Refrain 2

I John 1: 1 – 2:2

John 20: 19-31

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Grace was upon them all" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Now the Green Blade Rises – Trad. French, arr. Alan Bullard (b. 1947)

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: "Thine be the glory" #258

Benediction

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

Postlude: Echo Fantasia in D Dorian – Jan Sweeklinck (1562-1621)

Greeters & Collectors: Pearson & Elizabeth Ahiahonu, Fafali Ahiahonu, William Ahiahonu

Lock Up: Heather Reichert

No Coffee Time: Potluck & AGM



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



Today we are very excited to welcome thirteen New Members to the St. Andrew's family.

All of our New Members have worked hard throughout the year with Rev. Roberto and Martha Fergusson,

learning about our Presbyterian Church and its beliefs. Please welcome our newest official members.

New Members by Affirmation of Baptism:

Mireya Bailey, Linda Dietz, Ramona Nyekanyeka, Rehema Nyekanyeka, Rianne Nyekanyeka
Bob Yakubowski

New Members by Transfer of Membership:

Ezra Giroth & Kristen Giroth, Dewald Schlebusch & Christél Jordaan-Schlebusch,
Kirk Ready & Heather Shouse, Angie Smibert

WORSHIP SERVICE! NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY! POTLUCK LUNCH! AND THE AGM!!

Join us **TODAY** for a very special service welcoming new members to our congregation, followed by a potluck lunch and the Annual General Meeting. The AGM will be in person and begin at 1pm in the Sanctuary. Please bring a potluck dish to share. The AGM will also be available "Live by ZOOM" with the opportunity to vote on motions and ask questions. Please watch the bulletin for the Zoom address. Hope you will attend this important annual meeting.

Topic: St. Andrew's AGM April 7

Time: Apr 7, 2024 01:00 PM Saskatchewan

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87869763260?pwd=dW9OWjkzTXFxTVVPM05mZXVsOW9wQT09>

Meeting ID: 878 6976 3260

Passcode: 130693





DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, “*Saints Alive*” is tomorrow, **Monday, April 8th**. Submissions may be emailed to office@standrews-saskatoon.com.

COFFEE HOUR - APRIL 14 BOARD OF MANAGERS APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Please join us during the coffee hour following the church service to show your appreciation to this past year's Board of Managers (2023). Save the date!



CHEF TASTY ANNOUNCES THE INDOOR SPRING CLEAN.

The Anniversary Committee is heading up an opportunity to get to know each other through our Interior Spring Clean. The main focus is the church kitchen. We could use about 6-8 people to give a hand. On Saturday, April 20th, beginning at 10 am. Supplies will be on hand to clean up. Contact Heather Kolojay or Jan Rodda for more info. Thanks for making a date!

Sunday April 21st – “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.



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 or call 306-260-7734. Seating is limited, so book early. Proceeds from this Tea will go to St Andrew's Anniversary Committee Fund.

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 #68.

Museums and Archives

68. We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, and the Canadian Museums Association to mark the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation in 2017 by establishing a dedicated national funding program for commemoration projects on the theme of reconciliation.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the winter 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 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

Hello Friends of the GoForth Hub Club:

Please join us on Monday, April 8 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Calvin-Goforth Presbyterian Church (Located at the corner of Sommerfeld Avenue and Third Street.)

An opportunity to:

- Time to socialize
- A brief talk from a pharmacist
- An opportunity to have your blood pressure checked
- A brief exercise time with age-appropriate activities
- Entertainment
- Refreshments

The Western Development Museum and their 75th Anniversary Year

Masks Required (*Masks & hand sanitizer available: COVID protocols observed as COVID is still in the community, and folks are especially vulnerable to transmission in an indoor setting.*) Fully accessible – Free parking.



MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, April 7

Katia Bien-Aime, a senior nurse and coordinator for a nutrition program in Haiti, recalls a time when a significant number of children failed to return for follow-up care after initial treatment at the nutrition clinic. She knew something needed to



be done. In response, PWS&D's partner, who also runs the original clinic, decided to begin mobile clinics. Today, these mobile units have proven successful in bridging the gap and allowing healthcare providers to get closer to their patients, easier follow-ups and enabling the delivery of crucial basic medical care directly to villages and homes. "It worked," Katia says. "We were able to get to the really sick kids faster and earlier." In addition, the mobile units provide tools to make water safe for drinking and to promote better sanitation and hygiene practices.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, April 7 We pray for PWS&D partners who are compassionately walking alongside those suffering from tuberculosis, HIV, leprosy and malaria. May their collective journey toward health and prosperity be filled with strength, support and positive outcomes.

Monday, April 8 We pray for the Assembly Council as it meets to prepare reports for the upcoming General Assembly, that it will focus on the hopes and possibilities of Christ's church as we continue in ministry and mission together.

Tuesday, April 9 We pray for Jill Foster and the ministry of healing and reconciliation she does with Indigenous people, organizations and communities, and her partnership with churches in the Montreal area.

Wednesday, April 10 On this International Day of Pink, we pray for an end to bullying against the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and for greater acceptance of diversity, equality, and inclusivity.

Thursday, April 11 We pray for ministers who are on inter-mission that they will be blessed by a sabbath time where they can be open to the presence of the Holy One in their lives.

Friday, April 12 We pray for Crieff Hills Retreat Centre, Executive Director Kristine O'Brien and staff as they offer warm hospitality in Jesus' name.

Saturday, April 13 As the Women's Missionary Society synodicals meet for their annual meetings, we pray for the Rev. Sarah Kim, who has been the Executive Director of the WMS since September 2001.