

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

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August 1st, 2021

10th Sunday after Pentecost

"My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh will bless his name forever and ever." –Psalm 145:21

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.

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.

Welcome and Announcements

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised

All: The Lord is faithful in all his words and gracious in all his deeds

One: The Lord upholds all who are falling

All: And raises up all who are bowed down.

One: The eyes of all look to you

All: And you give them their food in due season.

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Praise:

“Be still and know that I am God”

#685

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent word! What more can God say than to you hath been said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee; oh be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow, for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply: the flames shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not – I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake, I'll never – no, never – no, never forsake!”

Prayer of Confession:

Gracious and generous God, as we gather before you in worship today we confess that we are not nearly so generous with our love as you have shown us to be. We hold back what we have, fearful that we lack enough for ourselves, and we forget to see the needs of others. Forgive us, O God, when our fear makes us stingy with your gift of abundant love.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Praise:

“All who hunger, gather gladly”

#534

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest. Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 145

Ephesians 3: 14-21

John 6: 1-15

Leader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon:

“The Abundance”

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

-arr. Tornquist

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

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 GO OUT IN GOD’S NAME

Praise:

“O Lord my God!/How great thou art”

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O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed,

Refrain: then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, How great thou art! how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee, How great thou art!; how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze,

Refrain

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin,

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

Refrain

Benediction and Sung Response
Amen, Amen, A - - men.

Postlude:

“All Creatures of our God and King”

-arr. Shackley



Announcements

During announcements this morning we will be viewing the Presbyterian World Service & Development 2020 Impact Video. You can also find the video here: <https://youtu.be/5DSx0hlmXJU>



The church offices will be closed on Monday, August 2nd, for Saskatchewan Day.

Volunteers will be needed each week with the return to in-person worship. We will need several people every Sunday to help with various tasks, such as registering attendees. Please prayerfully consider if you are able to assist with the return to in person worship. The Board and/or the Worship and Music Committee would love to hear from you.



In response to the devastating confirmation of unmarked graves on the grounds of former residential schools, and in honour of the children who were lost and all people living with the consequences of that legacy, The Presbyterian Church in Canada has established the *Honouring the Children: Reconciliation and Residential Schools Fund*. This fund will support initiatives associated with searches for unmarked burial sites in communities where schools were operated by The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Follow this link for more information. <https://presbyterian.ca/2021/07/02/honouring-the-children-fund/>



The next **FundScrip** order is due **SUNDAY**, August 15th. 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.



Bicycle, Bicycle, BICYCLE CLUB 2021

JOIN US ON MONDAYS!

Once a week participants of all ages can arrive at the church to begin to ride at **6:30 pm.** with their bikes ready for a ride.

We are aiming to have two levels of ride offered, one group, will do a short length and the other a much more challenging route. There are at **least 3 people wanting to walk** too, so some can gather at the church and pick your route. Al Ireland brings bike experience both with the actual bikes and also great knowledge of location

trails for riding. Let Martha Fergusson, Rev. Roberto or Al Ireland know if you want to join us, or for more information. Adult volunteers are would be helpful - let us know if you are willing to help.

The summer issue of the **Presbyterian Connection** is available! The latest "**These Days**", the daily devotional for July, August and September, has arrived in the office. If you would like a copy, please contact the office, and we can make that happen.

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



SUNDAYS

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Roots – older elementary and high school youth

Meeting ID: 867 4107 9007

Our Wider Community

From **KAIROS** - An outdoor interactive learning event "Decolonizing Ourselves: Land and the Spirit of Treaty" on Saturday, August 7th. Please check your in box for more details, as an e-mail was sent out on Tuesday, about this event.

A Gateway for Evangelism

Kensington Presbyterian Church in P.E.I. participated in a denominational renewal program, funded by Presbyterians Sharing, that helped identify new ways of helping others grow in faith. As the pandemic necessitated a move to online ministry, the Session at Kensington PC recognized that certain members of their church family were excluded because they could not access technology or the Internet, so they created a Home Ministry program to focus on the inclusion of everyone who could not join online worship. Tablets containing worship services were dropped off weekly, and frequent pastoral visits, check-in and care were all part of the program. An unforeseen benefit of the program was that a member living in a senior's residence used the opportunity to share the services with other residents who were not connected to a church. What started as a discipleship program has now grown into a gateway for evangelism.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday August 1 We are grateful for God's mercy to forgive our sins, and we pray for courage and generosity to forgive others.

Monday, August 2 We give thanks for congregations that keep us connected at home and around the world.

Tuesday, August 3 We pray for the safety of people travelling this summer.

Wednesday, August 4 We give thanks to God, author of creation, who blesses us with the gifts of art and literature.

Thursday, August 5 We give thanks and pray for the Yu-Shan Theological College and Seminary, the only institution in Taiwan dedicated to educating and equipping Indigenous pastors and church workers.

Friday, August 6 (Anniversary of the 1945 bombing of Hiroshima)
We remember the victims of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 and pray for an end to the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Saturday, August 7 We give thanks and pray for the Center for Minority Issues and Mission and Co-Director, David McIntosh, as he and the Center's staff strive to eliminate racial discrimination in Japan.