ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan **Organist: Paul Suchan** January 14th, 2024 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany "Come and see," – John 1: 46

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: Recit de Chromhorne – Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

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)

Before we were born, God knew us.

God knit us together in the womb.

God searches out our paths, and tracks us along our way.

So we praise God, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

There is nowhere we can go where God is not with us.

How wonderful are all God's works! Let us worship God together.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Take my life, and let it be consecrated"

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of mercy and patience, you call us to follow you and offer us purpose and new possibilities. Yet we confess we often hesitate. We are not sure what we have to offer you. We'd prefer that someone else take the lead and maybe we will follow them. Forgive us when we hesitate. Help us trust in you and what you know we have to offer in Jesus' name. 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:

"Jesus' hands were kind hands"

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(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination Scripture Readings: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10 Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 Refrain 1 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 John 1: 43-51

- Patti Polowick

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Call"

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Be Still, for the presence of the Lord – David J. Evans (b. 1957)

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:

"Guide me, O thou great Redeemer"

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Benediction

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

Postlude: La Tromba - Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

Greeters:Sharon Wiseman, Kirk ReadyLock up:Estelle GriffithsCoffee Hosts:Heather Kolojay & Donna McNab



YOU ARE INVITED to the lower hall following the worship service for refreshments and conversation

<u>A SPECIAL WELCOME</u> 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).

<u>CONTACT US:</u> Phone 306-242-0525, Email <u>office@standrews-saskatoon.</u>com, Website: <u>www.standrews-saskatoon.</u>com

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

Announcements

HOLD THE DATE:

Shrove Tuesday - February 13th, 5-6:30 pm (in person) Communion Sunday - February 18th, 11:00 am Worship Palm Sunday - March 24th, 11:00 am Worship Good Friday - March 30th, 10:30 am Worship Easter Sunday - March 31st, 11:00 am Worship & Communion **Engage in these special programs** Faith & Film on Zoom Tuesdays, January 23, 30, & February 6 Lent Bible Study: Mondays, February 19 - March 25 at 7pm

Week of Christian Unity: January 18 to 25th - St. Andrew's hosts worship and light breakfast on Thursday, January 25th at 8:00am

St A's & Zion Youth Group - Jan 21, Feb 18, March 17th

Mini Bake Sale-

The 2nd annual series of mini bake sales during Advent was a success. Over \$400 was raised for the General Fund. The event also gave members of the congregation an opportunity to use their time and talents to produce homemade goods that were enjoyed by those who purchased them. Thank you to all who participated.

THURSDAY JANUARY 25 7:00 A.M.

Are you a happy morning person?

Come help put on the coffee pot for the guests of St. Andrew's morning worship for Week of Prayer. Contact worship leader Rev. Roberto, or Hospitality coordinator Martha, to say you can help. (worship begins at 8:00 a.m. coffee to follow at approximately 8:30 a.m.). Both Rev Roberto and Martha are board members of the Prairie Centre of Ecumenical who sponsor The Week of Prayer locally.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS for the next issue of our newsletter, "Saints Alive" is **Monday, January 29**th. Submissions may be dropped off at the church office or emailed to <u>office@standrews-saskatoon.</u>com.



ENVELOPES It's soon time to order offering envelopes for next year. If you no longer use envelopes, or would like to start using envelopes, please let the office know! <u>office@standrews-saskatoon.com</u>





<u>2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES</u> are available on the entranceway table. In each box there is a designated envelope that enables you to help offset the cost of the offering envelopes. If you would like to have your own box of envelopes, fill out the information on a Visitor's Envelope located in the pews and place it on the offering plate, or contact the church office. *If you would prefer to make pre-authorized remittances, please fill out a blue PAR authorization form (found on the entranceway table), attach a void cheque, and place it in the offering plate.*



The end of the year is here! Please ensure that all invoices for payment, and any donations are received by the office asap. To have donations eligible for a 2023 charitable donation receipt, they must be received by the office **NO LATER** than January 15, and <u>dated 2023</u>.

These Days – the company that delivered "These Days" to us has closed, and we are no longer able to get the daily devotional. We looked for other Canadian companies that might be a distributor, but were not successful. We know many of you enjoyed "These Days", and we apologize for the disappointment.

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 #56.

National Council for Reconciliation

56. We call upon the prime minister of Canada to formally respond to the report of the National Council for Reconciliation by issuing an annual "State of Aboriginal Peoples" report, which would outline the government's plans for advancing the cause of reconciliation.

<u> In Our Wider Community</u>

Lyell Gustin Series presents the New Orford String Quartet, Friday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m., St. John's Anglican Cathedral, 816 Spadina Cres. E. Opening a season in celebration of spectacular music for strings, the elite JUNO-winning group performs music by Beethoven, Ravel, and contemporary composers Ana Sokolovic and Caroline Shaw. Tickets, \$50 regular/ \$30 student: St. John's Music, Saskatoon Academy of Music, Gustin House Committee, cash at the door, or online. Season ticket package available (includes this and two more string concerts in 2024): admission info at locations above, or <u>gustinhouse.ca</u>

Mental Health Resource

ReConnect-211 Saskatchewan runs 24/7 and provides immediate access to 30-minute single session counselling over the phone for people who are presenting with depression, anxiety, general life stress, work stress, relationship and family stress, addictions, historical or current intimate and partner or family violence. Note: This is NOT a suicide crisis line. Call toll free: 2-1-1. Reach the service for more information at reconnect.sk.211.ca Information from Laura Van Loon Pastoral Care Nurse: 306-229-7846

MISSION MOMENT Sunday, January 14

Sohdi became the sole provider for her family when her husband died a decade ago. A farmer in Pakistan, she plants various crops, but droughts and floods have disrupted food production for three years. In 2021, Sohdi received



aid through the Humanitarian, Early Recovery and Development project, supported by PWS&D, which provided food aid to households in need. This assistance enabled her family to eat properly even during times of failed harvests. The project also provided support for women artisans to improve their skills and market their goods, making them more resilient for the future. Sohdi is grateful for this support that allowed her to stay out of debt. Now, she dreams of her son's wedding as well as sending her other children to school.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, January 14 (Baptism of the Lord) Let us remember our baptism and pray that we will live in ways that fulfil the promises made on our behalf, and may we boldly confess Jesus as our Lord and Saviour.

Monday, January 15 We pray for 2SLGBTQI+ student groups and their teachers as they build communities of respect, learning and support in their schools.

Tuesday, January 16 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Westminster

Wednesday, January 17 We pray for Winnipeg Inner City Missions as staff work to provide a healthy community for children, youth and families—many of whom have suffered intergenerational trauma and systemic injustices from residential schools.

Thursday, January 18 (World Week of Prayer for Christian Unity) We pray for the members and work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee.

Friday, January 19 We pray and give thanks for Dr. Bernard Sabella who retired after serving 25 years as Executive Secretary of the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees.

Saturday, January 20 We pray for the developing French ministry at The Presbyterian College, Montreal, through its Théologie Pratique (Practical Theology) program.