

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

Guest Musicians: Nevin Buehler, Bass; Tatrina Tai, Vocals; William Ahiahonu, Drums

July 7th, 2024

7th Sunday after Pentecost

"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

– 2 Corinthians 12: 9

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: Summertime – George Gershwin (1898-1937)

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)

Great is the LORD;

and greatly to be praised.

Praise God in cities and towns,

praise God in all quiet places.

Praise God on mountains and hilltops;

praise God in every valley, on every plain and in the deeps.

Let us raise our praise with all God's creation;

We will praise God's holy name, here and everywhere, now and always.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Amazing Grace"

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Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

God of overflowing grace,

we confess we often take your blessing for granted.

Forgetting life is a precious gift,

we waste time on things that don't matter.

We complain when things don't go our way,

ignoring those who face even steeper challenges.

Forgive us, O God.

Renew our calling to share your abundant love

for Jesus' sake.

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: *"Precious Lord, take my hand"*

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(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Ezekiel 2: 1-5

- Pearson Ahiahonu

Psalm 123

2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

Mark 6: 1- 13

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: *"Weakness"*

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: What a Wonderful World – Louis Armstrong (1901-1971)

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: *"Abide with me"*

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Benediction

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

Postlude: Someone to Watch Over Me – George Gershwin (1898-1937)

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

Opening & Closing Attendants: Nick Lamb & Kelly Christopher Lamb

Coffee Hour Hosts: Elizabeth Shih, Mary Ann Lyle



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

This Sunday will be the last coffee hour until after the Labour Day weekend in September. Laura and I would like to thank everyone that hosted or helped in any way to make this time of fellowship a happy and meaningful experience. We hope that when the new signup roster appears in early September that you will sign up and together continue to build on what we had previously. Ideally no one should have to host more than once per quarter. Thanks again – Charles Roy

Fire Safety Volunteers Needed

Thanks to the hard work of Elder Kwaku Kyei, St. Andrew's is nearly ready to hold a fire drill. Kwaku is looking for five volunteer Fire Marshalls to lend a hand to ensure our church family stays safe in the event of an emergency. If you are willing to help, please contact Dorothy de Bruijn in the office: office@standrews-saskatoon.com



OPERATION SANDWICHES: The Outreach Committee cannot provide sandwiches to SNCM without your assistance, whether it is helping us make the sandwiches at our Sandwich Making Parties on the 4th Sunday of each month, or simply providing the funds needed to purchase ingredients (~\$150/session). Both are equally important.

In the past (pre-Covid), we were able to do this twice a month, which is something that we would like to be able to afford to do once again. If you would like to help via donation, you can do so through the church website, by e-transfer, or by your regular offering envelope. To make sure that the donation goes to the right place, please make sure that 'Operation Sandwiches' shows up somewhere in the text. Or, join on the 4th Sunday.

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

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 #81.

Commemoration

81. We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Survivors and their organizations, and other parties to the Settlement Agreement, to commission and install a publicly accessible, highly visible, Residential Schools National Monument in the city of Ottawa to honour Survivors and all the children who were lost to their families and communities.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the summer 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

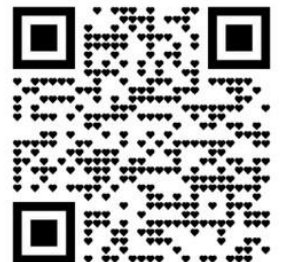
In Our Wider Community

Grace Church will be moving its service from 1:00 pm Sundays to **8:00 am beginning Sunday, July 14, 2024 – through Sunday, September 15, 2024**. The Grace service will conclude by 10:00 am and they will be cleared of the Sanctuary by **10:20 am**. This will allow plenty of time for the St. Andrew's folks to set up and begin by 11:00 am.

Compassion Camp Registration Form

Changing the World with Lovingkindness, is a full day summer camp for kids in kindergarten to grade six. It is sponsored by the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism. It will run from 9am-4pm daily, August 6-9, 2024 at Grace Westminster United Church, Saskatoon. The registration fee is \$75 per camper, payable by cheque, cash or e-transfer to the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism (admin@pcecumenism.ca) Our mail address is 2617 Clarence Ave S, S7J 1M5. For more information, please contact Martha Fergusson 306.270. 2378

To Register <https://form.jotform.com/241435184949263>



Worship by the River: Sunday, July 21 at 2pm at Queen's House

All are invited to join with our ecumenical brothers and sisters for an hour-long service of unity, worship, and Communion (coffee and ice cream to follow!). Holy Covenant Church and C3 Church will host this outdoor service focused on expressing our unity in Christ.

In Yemen, the ongoing war, collapsed economy, and disrupted public services have led to one of the worst humanitarian situations in the world, which includes severe malnutrition, hunger, displacement and poverty. To address this, PWS&D, through Canadian Foodgrains Bank, has supported the distribution of essential food baskets to severely food-insecure households. Musa, a displaced man from Al-Hodeida, lives in cramped conditions with his family and struggles to make ends meet by selling water bottles. His wife requires surgery, adding to their financial strain. With the assistance received, Musa's family improved their food security by purchasing fruits and vegetables. With essential food needs addressed, Musa can now redirect the money he earns towards improving sanitation facilities for their home.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 7 We pray for ministers and professional church workers coping with mental health issues that they will find support, encouragement and understanding.

Monday, July 8 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Kamloops.

Tuesday, July 9 We pray for all the victims of the April earthquake in Taiwan, for their families, communities, frontline responders and for the healing of the land.

Wednesday, July 10 We pray for the Women's Missionary Society as its members plan to move forward in their endeavours to continue the work of mission locally and globally through prayers, study, service and fellowship.

Thursday, July 11 We pray for the Committee on Church Doctrine as it discusses how the church can journey with people seeking to make Christ-centered decisions around medical assistance in dying.

Friday, July 12 We pray for the people of Haiti during challenging times and lift up the partners, programs and participants supported by PWS&D, ensuring the vital work they do can continue.

Saturday, July 13 We pray for Ukraine in the ongoing invasion. As the media moves onto many other wars that break our hearts, may we not forget all those who are caught in situations of conflict.