

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

June 2nd, 2024

2nd Sunday after Pentecost/General Assembly Sunday

"The Sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." – Mark 2: 27-28

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 C Major, BWV 553 – 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)

Raise a song of joy and gladness before God.

We will make music and sing God's praises.

Sing aloud to God, our strength!

We will shout for joy to the God who made us.

Worship God who makes all things new!

We will celebrate God's goodness in prayer and praise.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Come sing, O church, in joy!"

#757

Prayer of Confession: (**Unison**)

God of all life and each life,

you created us to enjoy your presence,

yet we confess it is easy to lose track of that joy.

When times are tough, we feel resentful.

When someone else succeeds, jealousy creeps in.

Some days bad news is all we hear.

Draw us back to your goodness and grace.

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"* **#631**
(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

1 Samuel 21: 1-6

- Fran Gordon

Psalms 130

2 Corinthians 4: 5-12

Mark 2: 23- 3: 6

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Living Bread" - The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: In This Very Room – Ron & Carol Harris

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: *"We have this ministry"* **#590**

Benediction

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

Postlude: Festival Postlude – Domenico Zipoli (1688-1726)

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

Opening & Closing Attendants: Nick Lamb & Kelly Christopher Lamb

Coffee Hosts: Laura & Charles Roy



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

The flowers in the sanctuary today are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Don Bailey, who passed away June 3, 2023.

St. Andrew's Board of Managers has followed the recommendation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada for a **Point-of-Sale Credit / Debit Card device – Clover**. This can be used for offerings, donations, fund raising, and events. It will be available in the Narthex on Sundays. The cost is 2.40% of credit card transaction and only 10¢ for debit card transactions. For information on how to use the device, contact Kirk Ready (705 493-3513). We are definitely in the 21st century.

A FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC will be offered following the church service downstairs in the lower hall. Laura Van Loon, Pastoral Care Nurse, will have blood pressure cuffs to fit all arms!



Socks for SNCM

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." (Romans 10:15)

We can bring good news in the form of funds for Dylon at Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry to purchase durable long-lasting socks for some of the people who come through their front door. This **online appeal** will run to **June 16**. Let's donate whatever we can to help with this project.



All your donations of \$10. or \$20 for socks add up. So far \$180.00 has been raised.

St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee



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.

Lawn Sale

The Outreach Committee would like to start a rumour concerning its 3rd Annual Lawn Sale. It will be taking place on July 6th with proceeds being split between Operation Sandwiches and Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. If you would like to help out, please start setting aside small items for the sale. There will be more information about the sale in future bulletins.



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 #76.

Museums and Archives

76. We call upon the parties engaged in the work of documenting, maintaining, commemorating, and protecting residential school cemeteries to adopt strategies in accordance with the following principles:

- i. The Aboriginal community most affected shall lead the development of such strategies.
- ii. Information shall be sought from residential school Survivors and other Knowledge Keepers in the development of such strategies.
- iii. Aboriginal protocols shall be respected before any potentially invasive technical inspection and investigation of a cemetery site.

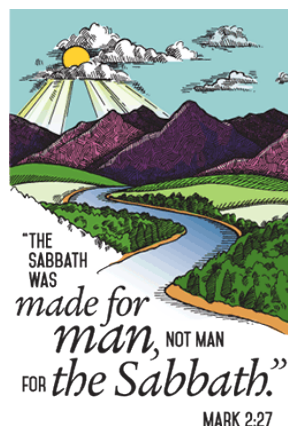
AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "*Saints Alive!*", the newsletter
- * Annual Report & Financial Statements

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



PWS&D efforts on Health

By ensuring mothers and children receive the medical care they need, caring for people affected by HIV and AIDS, and providing access to water and sanitation programs, families and communities are growing healthier and stronger.

In 2023, health programs in Ghana, Haiti, Malawi and Nepal supported 34,363 people. The HIV/AIDS epidemic continues to pose serious social, health and economic problems in Malawi. PWS&D's partner, the Ekwendeni Hospital AIDS Program (EHAP), supports people living with and affected by HIV and AIDS. EHAP is working on HIV prevention, awareness, stigma reduction, and care and treatment for HIV infected individuals.

Lita Mvula tested positive for HIV and began antiretroviral therapy in 2019. At the time, Lita was worried about being discriminated against, should her HIV status be revealed. Due to these concerns, Lita sometimes missed opportunities to collect her medication, lest people discover her status. In 2020, she joined a support group of people living with HIV and AIDS, where she received counselling and support from staff and volunteers. The experience was so encouraging that Lita now does the same work with others in her community to prevent HIV transmission and reduce stigma. "I am now healthy and able to do my work at home, which I wasn't able to do before," she shares.

PWS&D

Where Our Resources Went (\$)

	2023	2022
Disaster, relief and rehabilitation	1,423,770	1,438,095
Development projects	1,173,155	938,087
Relief and development program support	529,988	493,075
Memberships, partnerships and coalitions	22,078	49,617
Resources and communications	356,213	358,704
Administration	372,242	365,471
Total	3,877,446	3,643,049

PWS&D

For every dollar PWS&D spent in 2023*

- 93% Development and relief programs
- 3% Education and fundraising
- 4% Administration

Program funds were spent on:

- Food security 7%
- Health 8%
- Human rights 5%
- Livelihoods 4%
- Relief 76%

From the PWS&D annual impact report. For more information see a copy on the bulletin board in the entrance or go to <https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/impact2023/>

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, June 2

Today is General Assembly Sunday. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support the governance structures of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. At General Assembly, representative elders and ministers from congregations across Canada make decisions, set priorities and examine matters of doctrine, worship, discipleship and governance. A vision for national work is set and a budget is passed, capturing the hopes and dreams of the gathered congregations for the future of the church. Together, we are bringing the church's mission and ministry to life.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, June 2 (General Assembly Sunday) On General Assembly Sunday we pray for the 2024 General Assembly, where commissioners seek to discern and make decisions for the work, ministry and mission of our denomination this year and in the coming years.

Monday, June 3 We pray for church secretaries and custodians and all those who support the worship and mission of the church in ways that are often overlooked.

Tuesday, June 4 We pray for the Committee on Church Doctrine as it works to revise the preambles to the ordination of elders.

Wednesday, June 5 We give thanks for Sanctuary Mental Health Ministries, recipient of the 2024 Cutting Edge of Mission award, as they equip the Church to support mental health and wellbeing.

Thursday, June 6 We pray for the weary caregivers who seek respite each month in Dove House Quiet Days hosted by Crieff Hills Retreat Centre.

Friday, June 7 With PWS&D's support, farmers and families are learning about sustainability, food security and environmental protection. We pray that future generations steward God's creation well.

Saturday, June 8 We pray for the Archives and Records Committee and the Committee on History as they work to support the preservation and awareness of The Presbyterian Church in Canada's legacy.