

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

May 19th, 2024

Day of Pentecost

"...The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." – Romans 8: 26

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: I Saw the Light – Hank Williams (1923-1953)

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)

Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,
and inspire our worship with your truth.

Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,
and fill us with your love.

Strengthen us, Holy Spirit,
and move us to act with your power.

Breathe in us, Holy Spirit,
and receive our prayers and praise.

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: "On this assembled host"

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**God of mystery and mercy,
we confess we have not always paid attention
to the urging of your Spirit to follow your will and your way.
Too often we claim to belong to Jesus,
yet we ignore his teaching.**

**You created us to love one another,
but we resist loving those who differ from us.**

**Stir our hearts with your Holy Spirit.
Transform who we are,**

**and direct who we shall become
through Christ's redeeming love.**

Assurance of Pardon

(Children come forward)

Children's Time

Praise: ***"Like the murmur of the dove's song"***

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(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 2: 1-21

Psalms 104: 24-34, 35b

Romans 8: 22-27

John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

-Kelly Christopher Lamb

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "The Spirit"

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: I Feel the Spirit – Traditional Spiritual, arr. Don Besig

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

GOD'S WORD MADE VISIBLE

Invitation to the Table

The Apostles' Creed (#539)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into
heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**



Praise:

“O, anigye da, Pentekoste da”

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O, anigye da, Pentekoste da,
Honhom Kronkron fi soro bae.
Wiase kɔ sɛɛ mu, hwɛ honhom no aba
Kristo asafo, mo bo ntɔ

English

Joyful Day, the day,
Pentecost this Day,
Holy Spirit of God has come. This world was full of sin, Spirit of God revived,
Christians, come, follow Jesus, Christ.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The prayer opens with thanksgiving to God: “... we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.”

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. (#829)

Thanksgiving continues for the work of Jesus Christ: “... we proclaim the mystery of faith:”

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. (#523)

*The presence of the Holy Spirit is invoked followed by a doxology
and the people say: **Amen.***

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.

Communion Music: Ministration Medley (Spirit of the Living God/Onyame Sunsum) – Grace
Congregation Praise Team

(The Elements are Distributed)

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion:

Loving God,

**you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with
Christ.**

Help us to bring your salvation and joy to all the world.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Praise: "O Breath of life, come sweeping through us"

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Benediction

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

Postlude: My Favorite Things – Richard Rogers (1902-1979)

Greeters & Collectors: Charles & Laura Roy, Kirk Ready & Heather Shouse

No Coffee Time Today



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 Church offices will be closed tomorrow, May 20, for Victoria Day.

The red flowers are placed in the narthex and sanctuary this week in recognition of the innocent civilian lives lost, and all the innocent peoples' suffering in Gaza and Israel since October 7, 2023. The national flower of Israel is the red anemone which is very similar to the red poppy.



Check your in box for the latest copy of "**SAINTS ALIVE!**", St. Andrew's newsletter. There are paper copies available on the entranceway table this morning. Extra copies are available for newcomers, visitors, or for regulars to pass along.

A CHEERFUL AND GRACIOUS thank you to all of who supported the ST. Andrew's Mother's Day Tea and Hanging Basket fundraiser. Both were a success in raising some funds for the Anniversary Celebrations in 2025. Thank you very much! The Anniversary Committee

May 25 - Helpers Needed for the BIG Spruce -Up! Join the Anniversary Committee members to tidy up our flower and rock beds, paint our exterior doors and the parking lot curbs, sand and stain the wooden door frames, and wash a few easy to reach windows. Meet at the church at 10AM. If it's raining, we will postpone this event. Contact Jan Rodda or Heather Kolojay for information. Looking forward to the fun!



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.

St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee

BIRDS OF THE BIBLE HIGH TEA BIBLE STUDY: You are invited to the home of Kirk and Heather Ready on Friday, June 7th or Saturday, June 8th, 1-3 pm. Sign up sheets are available, and any donations will go toward the Anniversary Fund.



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.

Join Rev. Roberto in the Community Transformation Certificate Program

Servant Partners Canada and Rev. Roberto DeSandoli invite you to take part in this amazing 10-week program focused on seeing, hearing, and serving our most vulnerable downtown neighbours. Servant Partners co-founder Krista-Dawn Kimsey will be leading a cohort of St. Andrew's learners through this summer of deep, faithful, and transformative learning as we seek wholeness, Communion, and justice with our neighbours. If you have a heart for our downtown and feel Christ's calling to serve here, this program is for you. To find out more, please visit servantpartners.ca/ctc and reach out to Rev. Roberto (roberto@standrews-saskatoon). We will begin on Friday, May 31 (7-9:30pm) and Saturday, June 1 (9am-3pm).

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 the upcoming newsletter, and 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 #74.

Museums and Archives

74. We call upon the federal government to work with the churches and Aboriginal community leaders to inform the families of children who died at residential schools of the child's burial location, and to respond to families' wishes for appropriate commemoration ceremonies and markers, and reburial in home communities where requested.

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

We live in a world of plenty. Yet, today, 783 million people around the world will go to bed on an empty stomach. The Canadian Foodgrains Bank is made up of 15 Canadian churches and church agencies working together to end global hunger. These members partner with trusted locally-based organizations in developing countries to meet emergency food needs and achieve long-term solutions to hunger. Last year, Presbyterian World Service and Development was involved in 8 projects in 4 different countries – Malawi, Haiti, Guatemala and Pakistan.

Grow Hope is a project of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. The Synod of Saskatchewan of the



Presbyterian Church is a partner in Grow Hope Saskatchewan. Farmers donate land to grow crops and others donate money to pay for the inputs – seed, fertilizer, fuel, etc. In 2023, the Synod received enough donations to sponsor 18 acres, which resulted in \$12,487 in proceeds from the crops grown on those acres. Matched by Global Affairs Canada up to 4:1, those proceeds could grow to provide \$60,000 in funding.

Please donate to support the 2024 crops of Grow Hope Saskatchewan.

For more information or to donate, email or send an e-transfer to SynodSaskGrowHope@gmail.com or send a cheque made out to

the Synod of Saskatchewan to:
Grow Hope Saskatchewan
1-2338 Assiniboine Ave E., Regina, SK S4V 2E9

Saskatchewan Fiddle Orchestra is having their 20th Anniversary concert at the Broadway Theatre on Saturday May 25 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$30.00 each and available at the Broadway Theatre. Mark and Jackie Behrend and Hannah Street are in the orchestra.

MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, May 19

Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support international partners through leadership development grants. In 2023, the National Council for Higher Education recommended that the position of Assistant Librarian at Zomba Theological University in Malawi should require at least a bachelor's degree. So, the Rev. Dr. Takuze Chitsulo, Vice Chancellor, requested support from the PCC for Assistant Librarian Jane Mwalabu Makupete to upgrade her Diploma in Library Information to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Records Management. Jane was ecstatic and very grateful when she heard of the PCC's support.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 19 (Pentecost) Today on Pentecost Sunday we are reminded that we are one worldwide family in Christ. We give thanks for people in every generation who have spent their lives sharing the good news of Jesus with others.

Monday, May 20 We pray for female students studying for ministry at Zomba Theological University in Malawi.

Tuesday, May 21 We pray for peace in the Land where Jesus was born, lived, died and rose again. Praise God for Israelis and Palestinians who speak out for peace despite great personal loss. May the Lord grant peace among the nations.

Wednesday, May 22 Calling God, when you call students from around the world to serve your church, give your church the grace to receive this gift, be taught by the global church and to give you praise.

Thursday, May 23 We rejoice in the growing farm ministry at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre and pray for an abundant harvest of vegetables, flowers, herbs, honey, eggs and maple syrup this year.

Friday, May 24 We pray for Winnipeg Inner City Mission's Flora House programming that encourages children to learn through play and to find joy in discovery.

Saturday, May 25 We pray for Knox College and its Class of 2024 as they convocate today. We pray for a joyful celebration of academic success and an affirmation of a call to serve.