

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

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May 23rd, 2021

Day of Pentecost

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning." John 15: 26-27



Welcome and Announcements

-The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"Spirit, Spirit of gentleness"

#399

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the aeons you called to each thing:
wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.

You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise.

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blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

Prayer of Confession:

God of mystery and mercy, we confess that we have not always paid attention to the urging of your Spirit, calling us to follow your will and your way. Too often we claim to belong to Jesus, but choose instead to ignore his teaching. You created us to love you and one another, but we fail to offer your love to those who differ from us. Stir in our hearts and in our lives with your Holy Spirit. Transform who we are, and direct who we shall become through Christ's redeeming love.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Praise:

"Worship the Lord"

#555

Refrain: Worship the Lord, worship the Father, the Spirit, the Son, raising our hands in devotion to God who is one!

Raising our hands as a sign of rejoicing, and with our lips our togetherness voicing, giving ourselves to a life of creativeness, worship and work must be one.

Refrain

Praying and training that we be a blessing, and by our handiwork daily expressing: we are committed to serving humanity, worship and work must be one.

Refrain

Called to be partners with God in creation, honouring Christ as the Lord of the nation, we must be ready for risk and for sacrifice, worship and work must be one.

Refrain

Now in response to the life you are giving, help us, Creator, to offer our living, seeking a just and a healthy society, worship and work must be one.

Refrain

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 2: 1-21

Psalm 104: 24-34; 35b

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

Leader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon: "The Spirit Sends Us into the World" -The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: "Spirit, Come Down" Vogt and Friedman

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord in your mercy...

All: Hear our prayer.

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.**



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.

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:

"I am the church! You are the church!"

#475

Refrain: I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

The church is not a building; the church is not a steeple; the church is not a resting place; the church is a people.

Refrain

We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colours and all ages, too, from all times and places.

Refrain

Sometimes the church is marching; sometimes it's bravely burning; sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding; always it's learning.

Refrain

And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying; there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying:

Refrain

At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

Refrain

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

Postlude: "Every Time I Hear the Spirit" African American Spiritual, arr. A.K. Organ



Announcements

The church offices will be closed tomorrow, May 24th, for Victoria Day.



Saskatoon St. Andrew's Coffee Hour at 12:30 pm Sundays:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81575438545>

There will be a **PASTORAL CARE** Team Meeting on Tuesday, May 25th at 2 pm, by Teleconference.

REOPENING UPDATE: St. Andrew's leadership is continuing to monitor the Covid-19 situation. Though we will not be reopening as early as May 23rd, we will continue to monitor the situation and guidelines to safely reopen as soon as possible.



PAINTERS WANTED! The Board is looking for volunteers to paint the exterior frames of the church's windows sometime this summer. If you are able and willing to help to beautify our building, please contact Dorothy via email or phone at the church office.

THANK YOU ST. ANDREW'S CHOIR

On behalf of the entire congregation of St. Andrew's, I would like to thank the St. Andrew's Choir for another fantastic year of worship and singing! Thank you to all of the members, as well as Music Director Gillian Lyons, and Choir Director Terri-Lynn Mitchell, for your amazing commitment during 2020/21. The choir will be stepping aside for the summer but our music ministry will continue with joyful praise all through the summer.

Blessings to you All,
Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

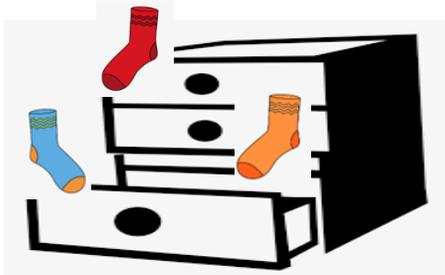


SOCKS FOR SNCM

As our sock drive for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry enters its second week, we would like to thank everyone who has made a donation. It has exceeded our expectations, although we should have realized that St. Andrew's would take up the challenge. With the number of socks (310 and counting) that we need to find a home for, we thought that we may need to place some in a sock drawer. Each sock in the sock drawer has a value of \$100, (so that we don't fill it up as quickly), while each one found in the body of the bulletin would still be worth \$10.

If you would like to donate towards our sock drive, it will continue until June 20th. For each \$10 donated, a sock will pop up somewhere in the bulletin. The money will then be forwarded to Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry to purchase socks for those coming into the mission.

Donations can be made on the St. Andrew's website using our donate button, or by E-transfer. Please specify that the money is for the Sock Drive.



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

NOW ON THURSDAYS

06:15 PM

Kids Klub Thursday Afterschool – ages 7 and up

Meeting ID: 884 2782 8650



Check your inbox for the latest edition of **"Saints Alive"**, St. Andrew's newsletter.

Worship Resources to Do God's Work

This year, **Pentecost** and **Healing and Reconciliation Sunday** fall on the same day, making it a day not only for celebration, but also for solemn reflection and prayer for the

Indigenous children who attended residential schools and the people who are living with its legacy. Resources to help worship leaders develop services to mark the church's birthday and honour its commitment to reconciliation are available on the PCC website at presbyterian.ca/worship. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing have helped build this comprehensive library of worship resources, providing congregations with free materials (seasonal, intergenerational, ecumenical, etc.) to do God's work throughout the year.



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 23 (Healing & Reconciliation Sunday) We pray that hearts and minds will continue to be opened to the truth about the harm of colonisation and the Indian Residential School system. We pray that all Canadians will work for the healing and well-being of Indigenous people and their communities.

Monday, May 24 During National AccessAbility Week, we pray for accessible church communities that are free of barriers.

Tuesday, May 25 We pray for God, who called prophets and apostles, to raise up a new generation of pastors and teachers for the church of our day.

Wednesday, May 26 We pray for the Rev. Joan Masterton of St. James Presbyterian Church in Stouffville, Ont., who serves as the convener of the Cutting Edge of Mission (Dr. E.H. Johnson) Committee.

Thursday, May 27 We pray that students at the MIBE Graduate School for Nurses in Indore, India, feel supported and guided by a strong sense of God's direction as they pursue their studies to become compassionate healthcare leaders.

Friday, May 28 We pray for seniors and their caregivers who are persevering in nursing homes and retirement residences as the pandemic continues.

Saturday, May 29 We pray for Presbyterian camps and conference centres as they prepare programs for the summer. May God provide them with creativity, energy and resources to share faith and fun with children and youth this season.