

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

## ***THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP***

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Gillian Lyons

Choir Conductor: Terri-Lynn Mitchell

May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020

### **Pentecost**

*"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,  
and let the one who believes in me drink." -John 7: 37-38b*

Welcome and Announcements

## **WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

Prayer of Adoration

**Praise:**                    ***"O Breath of life, come sweeping through us"***                    **#384**

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us; revive your church with life and power. O Breath of life, come cleanse, renew us, and fit your church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come bend us, break us, till humbly we confess our need; then in your tenderness remake us, revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of love, come breathe within us, renewing thought and will and heart: come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us, revive your church in every part.

O Tongues of Fire, come rest upon us, so we may speak your word aright; kindle the flame of love among us; equip your church to spread the light.

Prayer of Confession:

**Holy One, Source of our lives, we confess that we have not always listened for your Spirit's call. You call us to love our enemies, but we cling to animosity old and new. You call us to unity in the body of Christ, but we remain divided. You send us into the world to be witnesses, but we avoid opportunities to share our joy in Christ. Forgive us God, and renew a right spirit within us. This we pray in Jesus' name.**

Assurance of Pardon

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**Praise:**                    ***"Spirit, Spirit of gentleness"***                    **#399**

Refrain: 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 water; 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 their idols and lies, then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

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 the captives dream dreams; our women see visions, our men clear their eyes; with bold new decisions your people arise.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Acts 2: 1-21

Psalm 104: 24-34

1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

John 7: 37-39

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "Breath of Life"

Anthem: Sisi Ni Moja

Jacob Narverud

## **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayers of the People

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:**

***"One bread, one body"***

**#540**

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

Fruit of the vine, gathered and crushed, poured out and blest for all.

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 proclaim your greatness and sing your praises:"*

**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.**

*Thanksgiving continues for the work of Jesus Christ: "...we proclaim the blessed 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 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:

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. May we go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, prepared to give ourselves for others, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME**

Benediction and Sung Response

**Amen, Amen, A - - men.**

Musical Postlude

"Amazing Grace"



## *Announcements*

**VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR:** next Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm

Missing the weekly catch up with your friends-in-Christ at St. Andrew's? Join us for virtual coffee hour, hosted by Rev. Roberto. Following online worship next week, pour yourself a coffee and enjoy an hour of casual conversation. A Zoom video conference link will be sent out this week.



The St. Andrew's music program is continuing the tradition of Global/Unity themed music for Pentecost Sunday. Last year the choir anthem was *Ubuntu*, a South African philosophy meaning "a person is a person through other people".

This year we have *Sisi Ni Moja* - Swahili for "we are one".

For the postlude this Sunday we have the "Amazing Grace Project", a video compilation involving 24 people from St. Andrew's congregation: the first verse of Amazing Grace sung by 14 different

people in 12 different languages.

An update from the office – A couple of weeks ago, the office computer crashed. With a lot of help, Dorothy is back in business! Unfortunately, many files from the past two years have been lost. If you have any documents on your computer, that are normally shared and stored on the church computer, please send to Dorothy at

[office@standrews-saskatoon.com](mailto:office@standrews-saskatoon.com) The entire e-mail contact list was also lost. Dorothy

has recreated contacts for congregants, but is missing information for anyone in the wider community. For instance, if you know of someone who used to live here, and would still like to receive newsletters (when we produce them again), please forward their information to the office. The computer is now backed up regularly, so this should not happen again! Thank you to everyone, for your patience and help!



### **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

We are back again with a few more opportunities for outreach. In addition to the Friendship Inn and Crisis Nursery, we have also now heard from Interval House and Egadz.

One time-sensitive request comes from Interval House. If there is anyone out there with a flair for arranging flowers, Interval House is looking for someone to help plant the flowers that they have just purchased. If you are interested, please contact Al Ireland (306-244-7386) as soon as you can and he will coordinate. If possible, they would like to have this done by the weekend. As for other needs at this time, they said that the best way to help them is to provide either a monetary donation or to donate some gift cards for either Superstore or Walmart. This will allow them to purchase needed items for people that are staying with them or provide some essentials for others when they leave. Remember when we could travel? (It seems like ages ago.) Do you still have some of the small bottles of shampoo and conditioner sitting on your shelves? If you do, Egadz is looking for them so that they can distribute them to the youth coming in. There is also a real need for toothbrushes and toothpaste. They are also looking for perishable food items such as fruit and vegetables that will help them provide a supper meal for the youth 6 days a week, formula and new underwear or socks. If you are in the area,

give them a call at 306-931-6644 beforehand so they can meet you at the door, or if the donation is large enough, you can arrange to have the items picked up. Get together with friends?

Please note that all of the agencies that we have talked to are not taking anything used at this time in order to ensure everyone's safety.

As always, we are always looking for different ways of reaching out and sharing the love of God in our community. If you have an idea, please contact one of the Outreach Committee.

We are Al Ireland (244-7386), Sharon Nixon (978-9577), Linda Dietz (653-0953), and Heather Kolojay (281-3029).



The **ST. ANDREW'S SASKATOON WALKING GROUP** who are travelling the Meewasin Valley Trail with host, Jeff O'Brien, City Archivist advised me today that we will complete the pilot project of 31 days on Wednesday, June 3rd. Laura will be sending a SurveyMonkey to evaluate the experience. Results will help the Pastoral Care Committee in planning healthy resources and programs for all.

Please consider registering on the Presbyterian Church of Canada website with Moderator Amanda Currie for her pan-Canada virtual "Walk and Pray with the Moderator". Go

to <http://presbyterian.ca/gao/moderator> FYI, I have submitted 2 prayers for the walk. She is also having video chats with a variety of people, and ideas and connections are interesting insights in church life in different areas of Canada. The first interview lasted a good 10 minutes.

On Sunday May 31, tune in to Canada Council of Churches as Amanda will be preaching!

I have been researching guidelines re planning for church opening. There is so much to do for any faith community to prepare and I certainly support our church remaining closed. Guidelines will be developed for and by head office. We will enjoy our virtual church services as they are now.

Laura, Pastoral Care Nurse