

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Guest Preacher: Nicole Lindgren

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

May 7th, 2023

5th Sunday of Easter/Camp Sunday

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

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

Leader: Oh God, your love and faithfulness meet together. Your goodness and peace go hand in hand.

All: Blessed are you O God, whose joy springs up from the earth and whose kindness rains down from heaven.

Leader: Blessed are you, God who is good and with patience brings an abundant harvest for us.

All: With gentleness and self-control you go ahead of us, preparing the way.

Leader: As the week begins and we show up as our full, unique, honest selves and we gather together to worship in God's name.

All: May our hearts be open to the Spirits leading in our worship and our living, this day and always. Amen

Prayer of Adoration

Praise:

"This is the day"

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

We confess to you, Steadfast god, that the creation is not yet complete in us. Fears divide us, prejudice hardens us, and violence destroys us. Forgive us love that is self-satisfied and teach us love that is affirming. Forgive us faith that makes us rush to judgment and give us faith that fills us with compassion. We feel the barriers that separate humankind from you, our God. Help us to withstand our challenges so we can grow, harvest and share the fruit of Your Spirit.

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: *"Give me oil in my lamp"*
(Children leave for Church School)

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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Luke 15: 3-7

- William Ahiahonu

"Love and Joy"

Psalm 25: 1-15 Refrain 2

"Goodness and Faithfulness"

Matthew 8: 23-27

"Peace"

Galatians 5: 1-26

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Harvesting and Sharing"

- Nicole Lindgren

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Shine, Jesus, Shine

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: *"One more step along the world I go"*

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Benediction

God who created the world

You want us to grow in the fruit of the Spirit.

You want us to grow in the friendship of others.

You love us and will never leave us.

Let your love flow to those around us.

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

Postlude

Greeters & Collectors:

**Pearson & Elizabeth Ahiahonu
Fafali Ahiahonu, William Ahiahonu**

Coffee Hosts:

CE Committee

Lock up:

Orlanda Drebit



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. HEADSETS with earphones and radio receivers (101.1fm) are available to those who require hearing assistance.

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



We are very happy to be meeting in person again! Face mask use is now **optional** within the church building. Sanitizer and masks are available at several locations in the church. Live streaming is available on the website, www.standrews-saskatoon.com for those who are worshipping from home.

We welcome Nicole Lindgren and Donna Wilkinson back to the pulpit, for Camp Sunday. The Rev. Roberto is the special guest in Sunday School this morning.

COFFEE HOUR IS ON! Come down to the lower hall for some fellowship after church. Bring your own cup or use a cup as supplied. See you after the church service.



Chair-ity Fundraiser Begin to make a difference one chair at a time. \$55 is the cost of one chair, and they will be purchased in groups of 12, as donations are received. Please clearly mark "chairs" in your donation. *UPDATE* Thanks to your generosity, 32 new chairs have been ordered!



We've started working on the next edition of "Saints Alive". The deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is Monday, May 15th. The last newsletter until Fall.

Socks for SNCM

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights" James 1:17

We can bring good gifts 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. Let's donate whatever we can to help with this project. This **online appeal** will run to **June 15**.



All your donations of \$10. or \$20. for socks add up.

St. Andrew's Pastoral Care Committee & Outreach Committee

MEN'S CAMP: MAY 25-27 AT CAMP CHRISTOPHER

You are invited to the inaugural Men's Camp weekend at Camp Christopher! This retreat-style weekend is hosted by Rev. Roberto DeSandoli of St. Andrew's Saskatoon and Dylon Nippi of Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. The theme of this weekend is "What's Your Story?" Drawing on Philippians 1: 1-12, we will explore what it means to live our stories as disciples of Jesus Christ: Where have we been? Where are we going? Where is God in it all? Come to hear and tell stories, work together, reflect in nature, and go deeper in faith.

Cost is \$65 Register by emailing name, contact information and any allergies to info@campchristopher.ca or call Donna at 306-535-6916.



YARD SALE

Do you have things around your house that you would now like to get rid of? The Outreach committee

is organizing a Yard Sale for Saturday, July 8th on the front lawn of the church, with all proceeds going to

Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. We are looking for smaller items that people would be able to easily

carry away. Anyone interested in helping us out either in person or by donating

items, please contact Al Ireland, Linda Dietz, or Donna Fenton.



OPERATION SANDWICHES

Operation Sandwiches has started up once again. We are making sandwiches on the 3rd Sunday of each month for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. If you wish to hone your sandwich making skills, you can meet with the Outreach team in the kitchen after the service. If you don't wish to help with the sandwiches, you can also help by providing donations to help us purchase the sandwich ingredients. All donations should be identified by writing "Operation Sandwiches" somewhere in the text. If you have any questions, please contact Al Ireland, Donna Fenton or Linda Dietz.

ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY

The Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone for supporting the Ecumenical Chaplaincy's Good Breakfast Program. Attendance during the year varied, but there were times when there were over 70 students using the program, so the muffins that we provided were very much appreciated. For those that missed the opportunity to help, we will be starting it up once again in the fall.



CALLING ALL GARDENERS

Orlanda and Dean need your help. We want to add colour and life to a pair of gardens at St Andrew's. If you have plant knowledge, like to play in the dirt or have a green thumb, you are invited to join us Wednesday May 10th at 1 pm to put a garden plan together. If you are interested but unable to attend, send an email to the office and we will get you involved. If you know you will have some NON-INVASIVE perennials to contribute, we would be happy to give them a good home! Let's liven the outside and add colour.

Orlanda and Dean

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * These Days: Daily Devotions for Living by Faith, Apr/May/Jun Suggested donation: \$3.00
- * Copies of the spring issue of the Presbyterian Connection
- * Contact Information Forms
- * The latest edition of "Saints Alive", the newsletter
- * 2023 Offering Envelopes
- * 2022 Annual Report
- * 2022 Accountant Statements

In Our Wider Community

We have one rental parking stall available. If you, or someone you know may be interested, contact the church office.

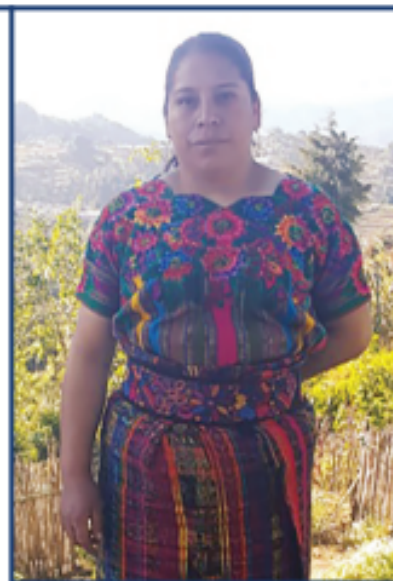
In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission made 94 Calls to Action; this week we are reminded of Call to Action #24.

24. We call upon medical and nursing schools in Canada to require all students to take a course dealing with Aboriginal health issues, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, and Indigenous teachings and practices. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism.



In Guatemala, Amalia López Pérez de Coronado is a member of a women's group that engages in discussions about oppression, marginalization and violence against women. **With the support of Presbyterian World Service & Development and local partner, AMMID, the group hosts workshops that promote women's empowerment by teaching women about their rights,** including their right to participate in decision-making structures at both the community and municipal levels. Through these workshops, Amalia has gained a sense of confidence that has allowed her to participate fully and freely in many different organizations. She's also inspired other women in her community to do the same.

Expressing her gratitude for the organizations that make these initiatives possible, Amalia affirmed, "I am grateful to AMMID for supporting women."



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, May 7 We give thanks for the hope and empowerment that Presbyterian World Service & Development and its partners bring to women in Guatemala.

Monday, May 8 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Lindsay-Peterborough in Ontario.

Tuesday, May 9 We pray for the members and work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee.

Wednesday, May 10 We pray for God's healing love for those overcoming leprosy and tuberculosis at the Shining Hospital in Nepal, supported by the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Thursday, May 11 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Pickering in Ontario.

Friday, May 12 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on History.

Saturday, May 13 We celebrate and thank God for all the students graduating from the PCC's theological colleges this May. We pray for God's guidance as they discern their futures and embark on their next steps in ministry.