

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Minister: The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

Music Director: Naomi Piggott-Suchan

Organist: Paul Suchan

October 13th, 2024

21st Sunday after Pentecost/Harvest Sunday

"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." – Mark 10: 25

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: For the Beauty of the Earth – arr. Stan & James Pethel

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)

God blesses us with gifts of love,

In relationships that bring joy and gratitude.

God blesses us with talents and opportunities to serve,

All we need for faithful living.

God protects us in times of danger,

And guards us from the time of trial.

So we gather to offer thanksgiving to the Lord our God.

Praise be to God for all good things, now and always!

Prayer of Adoration

Praise: *"Come, ye thankful people, come"*

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Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

God of our lives,

even in challenging times,

we know we enjoy an abundance many cannot imagine.

Yet we confess we do not always recognize these blessings.

We worry about the future,

and whether our families can flourish.

Forgive our fears of going without,

and show us how to share the goodness that is already ours.

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: *"For the fruits of all creation"*

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(Children leave for Church School)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Job 23: 1- 9, 16-17

- Heather Shouse

Psalms 22: 1-15 Refrain 1

Hebrews 4: 12- 16

Mark 10: 17-31

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Who Indeed?"

- The Rev. Roberto DeSandoli

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem: Prayer of Thanksgiving – Mark Wilson

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: *"Now thank we all our God"*

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Benediction

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

Postlude: What a Wonderful World – Bob Thiele & George David Weiss

Greeters & Collectors: Terry & Anne Drover, Charles & Laura Roy

Coffee Hosts: Jan & Richard Rodda



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.

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, October 14th, for Thanksgiving.

Chapel Communion Service After Worship

All those wishing to take part in our Chapel Communion Service please remain at the front of the church following the benediction and postlude. We will celebrate immediately following the service.



The Pastoral Care Committee's survey results from the Whole Person Health Care Survey that the congregation answered in the spring, indicated that "Dementia" was priority for educational topics. In response, we are inviting you to attend a Lunch 'n Learn on Sunday, October 20 in the church hall. Pastoral Care Nurse Laura will present "The ABCD's of Living with Dementia" following the church service. Please call Laura at 306-229-7846 if you have any questions or wish further information.

Downtown Talks: Conversations for a Stronger Community - October 24th at 7pm

All who live downtown, work downtown, or love the downtown are welcome to take part in Downtown Talks Conversation #1: "Understanding Downtown" on Thursday, October 24th at 7pm in the Lower Hall of St. Andrew's. Downtown Talks is a series of four community conversations focused on promoting greater understanding for all who call our downtown "home." To learn more, please speak with Beth Brimner, Roberto and Heather DeSandoli, Linda Dietz, or Laura Van Loon.



The next **SPY (Saskatchewan Presbyterian Youth)** event, Friday, October 25 – Sunday, October 27, for youth 14 or older (unless you have a billet in Regina), will be hosted by Rev Amanda Currie's church, First Presbyterian Regina.

Rev Devon Pattermore has organized a great weekend of learning, fun and friendships. The theme will be The Beatitudes. Nicole Lindgren will be our Adult Representative for the weekend, Please contact Martha Fergusson (306 270 2378) as soon as you can to help with the organizing rides and overnight accommodations. The cost is \$50 per youth to cover food costs and activities.

WARM CLOTHING AND BLANKET DRIVE

October is the traditional kick-off month for Outreach and Pastoral Care to gather and distribute donations of new and gently used blankets, winter jackets, sweaters, boots, socks, mitts, scarves and toques for Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry. New underwear and stockings would also be greatly appreciated. If you have anything that you wish to donate, please drop it off in the barrel at the back of the church. The bin will be available all this fall and winter. Thank you for your support!



Coffee hour has resumed! A sign up sheet is available in the kitchen. Everything is supplied; we're looking for hosts. Speak to Charles or Laura Roy for details.



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.

Prayer Requests: Email Margaret Wilson at: ma.wilson@shaw.ca More information on Pastoral Care Bulletin Board.

AVAILABLE ON THE ENTRANCEWAY TABLE:

- * Copies of the summer 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

PRESBYTERIANS IN EARLY SASKATOON

In 1889, the Presbyterian Church sent theological students to Saskatoon. Services were held in the roadhouse. Those attending were mainly bridge construction men.

The average attendance was 78 people. Collection was \$3.50 per week.

A special fund was raised to buy the first organ.

In 1891, the Knox College Student Missionary Society sent W.S. Heron to hold services and weekly prayers. He was here for 23 weeks. For the 23 weeks, he was given \$216 and pledges of \$4 weekly in the future.

In 1892, Queen's student, J.A. Hutcheson served as a missionary. He served Saskatoon as well as Alvena, Osler, and Llewelyn. Services were held in the Stone School House and then in the Methodist Church.

By 1893, the Saskatoon Presbyterial Mission Field hosted three more mission students: one was a medical missionary enroute to Korea! He was here for 24 weeks and even amputated a man's frozen toe!

1900-1901 – the original Knox Church was built on the riverbank: approximately where the Technical School was built later.

The population of Saskatoon was 465 (179 east of the river and 306 on the west). Of those 465, 105 were identified as Scottish. Most who attended were Scottish and the order of service followed the Presbyterian format. Some services were spoken in Gaelic!

The original structure held about 160 people.



MISSION MOMENT

Sunday, October 13

November 26, 2023, was a day of great joy and celebration for the Pinuyumayan Church District, one of the Indigenous groups of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. They gave thanks for 65 years of mission history and the publication of their very first New Testament translated into the language of their heart. It was the fruit of labour for the Pinuyumayan



Bible translation team and the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean who worked on the project for eight years. Supported by Presbyterians Sharing, Paul works with 12 Bible translation teams preserving endangered Indigenous languages, promoting literacy, and when the Bible is read, proclaiming the Gospel.

DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, October 13 (Harvest Sunday) We give thanks to God for the earth and all its beauty and diversity and pray for a more just care of the earth and its resources.

Monday, October 14 (Thanksgiving Day) We pray for all the dedicated members of the Women's Missionary Society whose commitment was renewed at the 110th Anniversary celebrations of the Society in May 2024.

Tuesday, October 15 We give thanks for the ministry of 2SLGBTQIA+ leaders in the church.

Wednesday, October 16 (World Food Day) We give thanks for bountiful harvests that nourish and sustain life. We pray for those who lack access to sufficient nutritious food and for PWS&D's partners who strive to end hunger.

Thursday, October 17 (International Day for the Eradication of Poverty) We pray for people who do not have enough healthy food, safe, adequate homes, or communities of support. We pray for people who are working toward long-term solutions to end poverty and inequality.

Friday, October 18 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Eastern Han-Ca.

Saturday, October 19 We pray for congregations who have made the difficult but courageous decision to close, that along with their grief they may also celebrate their years of faithful witness to Christ and their legacy of lives shaped by the presence of the living God in Jesus Christ.