

Welcome

St. Andrew's River Heights United ~ October 8, 2017

WELCOME

We are glad you're here. If this is your first time here at St. Andrew's, we would love to have you sign the Welcome Book. If you are visiting from out of town, church-shopping, or came with a friend who already calls St. Andrew's home – we want to meet you!

Please take this bulletin home as it contains a lot of information about the many things happening at St. A's, including interest based groups, social activities, or justice orientated opportunities. You can also find more detailed information on our website or by signing up for our weekly newsletter at www.standrewsriverheights.com.

Let's learn, live, and love in God's way together!

Thanksgiving Sunday

This Sunday we welcome our candle lighters, Khal Shariff and his son, George Anthony, as well as flautist, Charmaine Bacon.

We hope your Thanksgiving is filled with opportunities to grow the "fruit of the Spirit" – Love, Peace and Joy – within yourself and your family!

Blessings from Karen & Cathy!

Our Vision

To live as Christ would have us live, in love, with compassion and seeking justice, by sharing God's grace, learning from scripture, growing through the Spirit and being transformed by faith.

ORDER OF SERVICE



Gathering Music

*please stand or sit in the spirit

Greeting: The Spirit in me meets the Spirit in you. **Alleluia!**
God's in us and we're in God. **Alleluia!**

***Opening Hymn:** VU222 – Come Let Us Sing

Life and Work of the Church

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Prelude (Flute - Reflections, K. Hoover)

Centering Prayer: God, you touch our lives with mystery and peace.

Through your Spirit, grant us courage, so uncertainties don't overwhelm us.

Through your Christ, fill us with love, so differences will not divide us.

We come as a praising, singing and praying people.

Hear now from our hearts, our joys, our trials, our confessions.

Words of Grace: Our past is behind us.

We are free to live new lives and be new people.

Rejoice! I say again, rejoice!

***Song:** MV187 – We Give Our Thanks (vs 1, 2, & 3)

Children's Time (followed by MV187 vs 4, 5, & 1)

Scripture Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-17, 22-25 ~ read by Susanne Reimer

Solo: "Thankful" (D. Foster, C. Bayer Sager & R. Page) ~ sung by Judy Oatway

Scripture Reading: Luke 15:1-10 ~ read by Susanne Reimer

Anthem: "All Good Gifts" (see info below)

Message

***Hymn:** VU229 – God of the Sparrow

Offering/Offertory (Flute – Sonata, G.F. Handel)

***Offering Sung Response:** Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make: be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake. (VU537, v.2)

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn:** VU232 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

*Blessing

***Benediction:** May the peace of God be your peace. May the love of God be the love you show. May the joy of God be the joy you know, and may the world that God would see be found in you. (MV222)

Postlude (Now thank we all our God arr. S. Kart-Elert)

FIND YOUR PLACE

There are many ways to get involved at St. Andrew's. Everyone is welcome so please reach out and step into places that inspire you the most. More details found at <http://standrewsriverheights.com/life-work/church-groups/>.

AFFIRMING

Our continuing mandate is to encourage ongoing understanding of what it means to be affirming and to evaluate the programs at St. Andrew's for inclusivity.
Tara - mctara@shaw.ca

ANNA BLAIR CIRCLE

Monthly functions that are social in nature and promote fellowship and camaraderie.
Brenda - bj.kennedy@mymts.net

BIBLE STUDY

We meet Friday mornings at 9:15am in the Lounge. Drop in anytime!
ckinsman@standrewsriverheights.com

BOOK CLUB

We are a group of book lovers who meet Wednesday afternoons, every 5-7 weeks. Anyone is welcome!
Ruth - mckenzieqrst@shaw.ca

CARING COMMUNITY

We oversee pastoral care in collaboration with the ministry staff.
Ardelia - aburrow@shaw.ca

CENTERING PRAYER

A form of Christian meditation based on an ancient practice of prayer. Newcomers welcome - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month. clark_brownlee@mts.net

CIRCLE OF CARE

Lay pastoral care-giving and ministry for all ages and stages of the congregation.
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klumley@standrewsriverheights.com

GUATEMALA

Senior youth, ages 14 & older, are eligible for our biennial mission trip to Guatemala.
klumley@standrewsriverheights.com

HOSPITALITY

Help us with Sunday Services, coffee, fundraisers, and so much more!
volunteer@standrewsriverheights.com

MESSY CHURCH

Once a month gathering where families can enjoy being together. Crafts, stories and potlucks!
klumley@standrewsriverheights.com

OUTREACH

Social justice in our community and beyond. We meet on an 'as needs basis'.
Nancy - neh@mts.net

PRAYER/BAPTISM SHAWLS

Do you love to knit? If so, we could use your talents.
volunteer@standrewsriverheights.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teachers are always needed. Contact Karen Lumley to volunteer @ 488-1130 or klumley@standrewsriverheights.com

STEWARDSHIP

Encourage stewardship of time, talents and resources throughout St. Andrew's.
clark_brownlee@mts.net

ST. ANDREW'S MUSIC

Love to sing or play the handbells? Both choirs meet Thursday evenings and welcome new members!
Choir Director - dmorphy1@mts.net
Handbell Choir - carolynlutes@gmail.com

WAY OF DISCERNMENT

The topic for the upcoming 6 week session starting October 4th, 2017 will be "Embracing the Journey: The Way of Christ". For info, contact Cathy @ ckinsman@standrewsriverheights.com.

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WASHROOMS

Wheelchair accessible and gender neutral bathrooms are located outside the lower auditorium. They can be accessed by the stairs in the Narthex or the elevator outside the church office.

COFFEE TALK

Are you new to St. Andrew's? Please join us in the narthex following the service to learn about the work of the church and how you might share your gifts within and beyond the building. We'd love to hear from you!

TODAY'S ANTHEM

All Good Gifts (from "Godspell")

Text (adapted) and Music: Stephen Schwartz; arranged by John Leavitt;
Soloist: Chris Donlevy; Flute solo: Charmaine Bacon

We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand.

He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine and soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above
So thank the Lord, oh thank the Lord, for all his love.

We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seed time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food.

No gifts have we to offer for all thy love imparts,
But that which thou desirest, our humble, thankful hearts.

About the Anthem:

The text of the hymn which Stephen Schwartz included in his hit Musical "Godspell", is a very popular harvest hymn in the English speaking world. It was originally an 18th century German poem and was translated by Jane Montgomery Campbell in 1861. Schwartz included two of the original four verses in "Godspell". The show appeared as an off-Broadway production in 1971, and has remained popular ever since. This arrangement features a soloist that introduces the main melody, and later "improvises" "I really want to thank you, Lord" above the choir. There is also a flute accompaniment added to the piano.



OUR LAND - We remember, as we celebrate God's presence in Worship that St. Andrew's River Heights United Church gathers in Treaty 1 land, the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Dakota peoples and in the heart of the Metis Nation. As Treaty people, we seek to live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all our relations.

YOUR GIFTS MATTER.

Get the benefits of a Tax Receipt for your Donation! Let us know who you are and sign up for PAR. Pre-authorized remittances throughout the year make it easy to donate to the United Church.

Donations are always accepted either through your weekly giving envelopes, the weekly worship offering, or can be dropped off at any time through the church office.

Check out our website for more information and forms.



Everything comes from God and belongs to God; we give, not in tribute to God's power but in gratitude for what we have been given.

REGULAR WEEKLY RENTALS

Monday

Good Evening Group (lounge) @ 7pm

Wednesday

Golden Chords (auditorium) @ 7pm

Friday

Musical Theatre (auditorium) @ 4:30 – 8:30pm

COMING UP...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Thanksgiving Sunday
Sanctuary @ 10:30am

October is Bring-A-Book Month! Drop off books in good condition, fiction or non-fiction, either in the cart in the coffee area upstairs in the sanctuary or in the book store downstairs. The Bookstore raises money for the church, let's support it and bring a book! Visit the Basement Bookstore Thursdays 10:00 – 5:00pm.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

Statutory Holiday – Office Closed

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Centering Prayer
Lounge @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Book Club
Lounge @ 1:30pm

Way of Discernment (lounge) @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

Tuxedo Service @ 10:30am (Cathy)
Wellington Service @ 10:30am (Karen)
Poseidon Service @ 2pm (Cathy)

🎵 Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
🎵 Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

Bible Study Begins
Lounge @ 9:15 – 10:45am
All are welcome to attend!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

Rental – Winnipeg Boys Choir
8:00am – 4:00pm

Messy Church
Auditorium @ 5-7pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Transfer of Membership (see Rev. Karen or Rev. Cathy if interested)
Stewardship Kick-off
Sanctuary @ 10:30am

Guatemala: Soup & Sandwich
Auditorium @ 11:45am

Affirming Workshop: Please plan to stay for a workshop planned by the Affirming Interest Group which will focus on **Considering Diversity in Challenging Times** on Sunday October 15 at 12:15 PM, following soup and sandwich.

Rental – G&S (sanctuary) @ 2-5pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

The **Anna Blair Circle** invites you to spend an evening with them on Monday, October 16, 2017 at 7pm in the church lounge. Fred Cross will be presenting an entertaining look, through his camera lens, of places he has visited on vacation. Refreshments to follow. All are welcome.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

Service Team Meeting (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Way of Discernment (lounge) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

Parkway Service @ 10:30am (Cathy)

🎵 Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
🎵 Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Bible Study
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

Circle of Care Reception
Check-in & Lunch; training for new visitors to follow lunch
Lounge @ 12pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Presbytery Executive Meeting
Lounge @ 2-5pm

Centering Prayer
Lounge @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Way of Discernment (lounge) @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

🎵 Handbells – Lounge @ 6:30pm
🎵 Choir – Sanctuary @ 8pm

Rental – RHS AGM
Auditorium @ 7pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Bible Study
Lounge @ 9:15 – 10:45am

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

Worship Committee:
“Innovation in Worship”
Lounge @ 11:45am

John Pentland from Calgary Hillhurst
United speaking at Westminster @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Way of Discernment (lounge) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

Boulton @ 10:15am (Cathy)

🎵 Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
🎵 Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Bible Study
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Spaghetti Dinner - Time: TBD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Remembrance Day Service
Sanctuary @ 10:30am

We would like to invite anyone involved in the Armed Forces, past or present, to lay the wreath during our Remembrance Day Service on Sunday, November 5 at 10:30am. Please speak to either Rev. Cathy Kinsman or Rev. Karen Lumley if you are interested.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Worship Meeting (lounge) @ 7pm
P&A Meeting (CE room) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Caring Community Meeting (lounge) @ 1pm
Way of Discernment (lounge) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

🎵 Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
🎵 Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Bible Study
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Messy Church
Auditorium 5-7pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Baptism Sunday (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
Choir performing Rutter's Requiem

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Centering Prayer
Lounge @ 7pm

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Anna Blair Circle Potluck (lounge) @ 6pm

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

DECEMBER

December 1 & 2

Christmas Decorating - **Volunteers Needed!**

December 2

Cookie Walk (auditorium)
Bakers & Volunteers Needed!

December 3 – Advent I

Communion Sunday
Soup & Sandwich ~ Guatemala Bazaar

December 10 – Advent II

Affirming M4M
Memory Tree Service

OUTREACH

Oak Table is one of the ministries of 1JustCity, of the United Church Community Ministries in Winnipeg. It is located in Osborne Village at Augustine United Church and is in need of the following items:

- Sugar- Tea/Coffee
- Backpacks- Deodorant
- Skim milk powder
- Pepper
- Tuna
- Men's & Women's underwear (M&L)
- Undershirts
- Long underwear(M,L,XL)
- Cash for: Fresh Fruit, produce, bus tokens

We will be collecting these items at St. Andrew's and taking them over to the ministry.

Oak Table Fundraising Luncheon - Our church is partnering with Oak Table Community Ministry and we have been invited to a fundraising luncheon on Friday, October 13 from 12-1:30pm at Charleswood United Church at 4820 Roblin Blvd. Come and celebrate 38 years of service. Tickets are \$30.00, tax receipts issued for \$20.00. Sign up at the back of the church and come be a part of the St. Andrew's table and our Outreach Group.

Feast for Friends - Join us on Saturday, October 21 at Sandy-Saulteaux Resource Centre from 10 am to 7pm. This will be a day to meet each other in friendship on the land. All ages are welcome. More information is available from Rev. Karen Lumley.

