

Welcome

March 25, 2018

ORDER OF SERVICE

*please stand or sit in the spirit

GATHERING MUSIC (Celebration – P. Louke; Charmaine Bacon, flute)

GREETING: This is the day that the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*PALM PROCESSIONAL HYMN: **MV8** – And On this Path
(The children will parade and process with the choir.)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (Elliot and Quinn Ledlow)
Prelude (All glory, laud and honour - arr. A. Guilmant)

CENTERING PRAYER: **Eternal One, as we enter Holy Week and celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, may we laugh with the children and shout our hosannas with the crowd.**

WORD'S OF GRACE

CHILDREN'S TIME

TENNEBRAE CANDLELIGHTING (Psalm 118)

As we enter Holy Week, we rejoice that your light remains before us, guiding our steps. We celebrate that your Spirit remains behind us, pushing us forward so that we may gain new levels of understanding. Blessed are you, Holy God, blessed is your steadfast love, and blessed are we who call upon your name in hope. Amen.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

*HYMN: **VU123** – Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 11:1-11 (read by Eleanor MacDougall)

ANTHEM: "Hosanna to the King" (Text: Mark 11:9; John 12:13; Music: Dan Forrest)

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 14:1-10 (read by Eleanor MacDougall)

MESSAGE

*HYMN: **MV83** – Let My Spirit Always Sing

OFFERING/OFFERTORY (Hosanna, loud Hosanna – arr. M. Burkhardt)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*OFFERING SUNG RESPONSE: **Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.** (VU540)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER (pg. 916)

*CLOSING HYMN: **VU127** – Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

*BLESSING: On the back of a donkey, **Jesus came to bless us.**
With a love that did not count the cost, **Jesus came to free us.**
From hopelessness and despair, **Jesus came to free us.**
With the power of the Holy Spirit, **Jesus came to save us.**

*BENEDICTION: **God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.** (VU423)

POSTLUDE (Blessings – P. Louke; Charmaine Bacon, flute)

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. mctara@shaw.ca

ANNA BLAIR CIRCLE

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

BOOK CLUB

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

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'. 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

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



We are glad you're here. If this is your first time 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. 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!

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.

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!

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.



Sunday School Today

The children are to meet downstairs in the auditorium for the Palm Professional. There is an open session for Sunday School for grades 1 & up.

Our heartfelt thanks goes out to everyone who helped with today's service—we couldn't have pulled it off without you!

ANTHEM

Hosanna to the King

Text: Mark 11:9; John 12:13; Music: Dan Forrest

Hosanna to the King!

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord

The Anthem this Week

American composer, Dan Forrest has developed a reputation for writing imaginative and evocative choral arrangements of well-known sacred texts. His "See amid the winter's snow" was our final anthem in our 2017 "Lessons and Carols" service on Christmas Eve. This Palm Sunday anthem is lively and festive, and although the "Hosanna" text is frequently repeated, he manages to retain our interest throughout.

ST ANDREW'S CONTACT LIST

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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.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that you can make a gift of non-registered stocks, mutual funds or bonds listed on a public stock exchange to St. Andrew's River Heights United Church, receive a charitable tax receipt for the full market value of the securities at the close of the markets on the day they are received and pay no income tax on the capital gain?

For more information, contact Bill Craddock, Treasurer, at 204-488-1130 or email him at wjcdlc@mts.net.



Stewardship is a spiritual practice. How do stewards of the gospel prepare the way for Jesus?

REGULAR WEEKLY RENTALS

Monday

Good Evening Group (lounge) @ 7pm

Wednesday

Golden Chords (auditorium) @ 7pm

COMING UP...

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Palm Sunday (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

Rental – G&S (auditorium) 2pm

MONDAY, MARCH 26

Rental – G&S (auditorium) @ 7pm

Memorial Flower forms due!

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

Misericordia Service @ 10:30am
Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Good Friday Worship @ Westworth United
Watch for more details!

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Easter Breakfast (auditorium) @ 9am
Easter Sunday Service (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

Circles (lounge) @ 6pm
 Companions in Christ
Chapel @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm
Boulton @ 10:30pm
Sr. Housing Worship Service
Poseidan @ 2pm
Personal Care Home Worship Service
♪ Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
♪ Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

Book Club (lounge) @ 1:30pm
Circles (lounge) @ 6pm
 Companions in Christ
Chapel @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

Messy Church
Auditorium @ 5-7pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
Affirming Anniversary

The Three B's (Bach, Beethoven & Brahms)
Sanctuary @ 7pm – Tickets (\$10) available at the door or in-person from the church office starting Monday, March 26.

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Service Team (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

Circles (lounge) @ 6pm
Affirming Meeting (vestry) @ 6pm

Companions in Christ
Chapel @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

Parkway @ 10:30am
Sr. Housing Worship Service

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Recital (sanctuary) @ 1:30pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
Soup & Sandwich & Goods & Services Auction
Auditorium @ 11:45am

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

Misericordia Service @ 10:30am
Pres. Exec. Meeting (lounge) @ 2pm
Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

Caring Community (lounge) @ 1pm
Circles (lounge) @ 6pm
 Companions in Christ
Chapel @ 7:15pm

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm
♪ Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
♪ Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am
Rental – Neufeld recital (sanctuary) @ 5:30pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
Recital (sanctuary) @ 12pm
Set-up for Bridge Luncheon (auditorium)

MONDAY, APRIL 30

Bridge Luncheon (auditorium) @ 11:30am

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

Circles (lounge) @ 6pm

THURSDAY, MAY 3

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

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

FRIDAY, MAY 4

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

SUNDAY, MAY 6

Church Picnic (school yard) @ 10:30am
Rental – MRMTA
Sanctuary, lounge & small kitchen – All Day
(2nd piano moved in on Friday, May 4 and picked up on Monday, May 7)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

Circles (lounge) @ 6pm

THURSDAY, MAY 10

Basement Bookstore
10am – 5pm

FRIDAY, MAY 11

Bible Study – All welcome!
Lounge @ 9:15-10:45am

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Memorial Flowers: If you would like your 'In Memoriam' to be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin, please forward the yellow form and your donation to the church office no later than **TOMORROW - Monday, March 26, 2018**. Any donation to the Memorial Flowers Fund will be included in your yearly income tax receipt. Forms are located in the narthex or from the church office.

Phone System & Internet Update: The phone and internet system will be going through an update between the dates of April 2 - 4. If you need to reach the church office during this time, it would be best to email the church office at office@standrewsriverheights.com. If you need to reach Rev. Karen Lumley urgently during this time, please call her cell at 204-250-5073 or email at klumley@standrewsriverheights.com.

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday Service on March 29 will be at 7:00pm.

Good Friday Service on March 30 will be a joint service at Westworth United Church at 11:00am.

Easter Sunday (April 1) will start with a Communion Service at 8:30am, followed by the Easter Breakfast at 9:00am, with the Easter Sunday Service starting at 10:30am.

Easter Breakfast: Tired of rushing around on Easter Sunday morning, trying to get the Easter eggs gathered, the family members dressed for church and getting breakfast ready? On Sunday, April 1, 2018, let us make breakfast for you! Breakfast will consist of a scrambled egg dish, ham, and hot cross buns. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 to 9:45am, and will be \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 for a family of 4 or more. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex, please sign-up if you plan to attend so that we can plan accordingly.

Yes, Virginia, there really is going to be a **Goods and Service Auction** on Sunday, April 22, following the Soup & Sandwich Lunch. You can get involved by donating an item or a 'service', then plan to stay for about an hour after lunch to do some bidding. Enjoy the fun that comes with the excitement & tension of auctions!! Sign-up sheet coming soon. Contact Joan Stevenson 204-488-1786 for more info.

WANTED: Do you have an extra, sturdy card table? St. Andrew's could make use of a few more tables for various events such as the Bridge Luncheon, the annual Choir show, etc. If you have such a card table and would be willing to donate it, please call Joan Stevenson @ 204-488-1786 or leave a message with Andrea in the office.

