

Welcome

Sunday, September 16, 2018



It is hard to believe that summer has come and gone, with fall activities fast approaching. Everyone is back to school, holidays are over, and new schedules are emerging, which look to be as busy as ever.

Let's take some time to reflect on the past year, while at the same time anticipate the excitement of a new church year beginning and all of the activities that entails. There is a long list of events, activities and things to be involved in. Sign up and be a part of what is happening here at St. A's.

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.

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.

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. *bj.kennedy@mymts.net*

BIBLE STUDY: We meet Friday mornings at 9:15am in the Lounge. Drop in anytime! *klumley@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 - abburrow@shaw.ca*

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

CIRCLE OF CARE: Lay pastoral care-giving and ministry for all ages and stages of the congregation. *klumley@standrewsriverheights.com*

GUATEMALA: Senior youth, ages 14 & older, are eligible for our biennial mission trip to Guatemala. *klumley@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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Teachers are always needed. Contact Karen Lumley to volunteer @ *klumley@standrewsriverheights.com* or 204-488-1130.

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are always looking for volunteers to help out with events, fundraising, outreach, Sunday morning coffee & tea, and the Circle of Care interest groups. If you are interested, email the church office at *volunteer@standrewsriverheights.com*.



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.

ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING MUISC: Fugue in E minor—J.S. Bach (Marlon Goolcharan, organ)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Response: **Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you,
O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.**

HYMN: **VU405**—New Every Morning

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANDLE LIGHTING/PRELUDE: Just as I am/Take up your cross—arr. D. Wood

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: **VU567**—Will You Come and Follow Me (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM: Bless the Lord, O My Soul

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 8:27-38 (read by Fred Cross)

SERMON

HYMN: **VU561**—Take Up Your Cross

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: New Every Morning—arr. H. Willan

*OFFERING SUNG RESPONSE (VU539 vs. 1)

**God of all good, our gifts we bring to you, use them your holy purpose to fulfil;
tokens of love and pledges brought anew that our whole life is offered to your will.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER (VU916)

HYMN: **VU217**—All Creatures of Our God and King

BLESSING (*Please feel free to be seated after the Blessing is sung.*)

*BENEDICTION (VU963)

**May the grace of Christ attend us, and the love of God surround us,
and the Holy Spirit keep us, now and ever. Amen**

POSTLUDE: Prelude in E minor—J.S. Bach (Marlon Goolcharan, organ)

*The candle will not be extinguished symbolizing our going out into the world
as the light of Christ for our world.*

Thank you to Rev. Don Johnson for joining us in today's worship. Don was born in Winnipeg, educated in Winnipeg and Vancouver, and was ordained in 1985. Since then, he has served the congregations of Crystal City-Clearwater, MB; McClure, Winnipeg; Forest Hill, Toronto; Immanuel, Winnipeg; and for the past 15 years, Silver Heights, Winnipeg. Some of his interests include music, reading, and Scottish Country Dancing.

ANTHEM

Bless the Lord, O My Soul
Text: Psalm 103; Music: Joel Raney

Bless the lord, O my soul;
Let all that is within me bless God's holy name.
Bless the lord, O my soul; and remember God's great mercy.

Bless the lord, O my soul;
Let earth and sky and heaven bless God's holy name.
Bless the lord, O my soul, and sing God's praise for ever.

Bless the lord, whose mighty power renews our strength when hope is gone;
Bless the lord, whose abounding love can take an empty heart and fill it with a song!

(Repeat stanzas 1 and 2)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, and sing God's praise for ever.

The Anthem this Week

The text of this cheerful little anthem is based on Psalm 103, and quotes the familiar opening statement of the familiar hymn "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" set to the tune "Old 100th". Joel Raney is a composer and pianist, working in a wide spectrum of musical genres. He currently lives and works out of Chicago, Illinois.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Blessing of the Teachers for all Sunday School teachers and youth leaders is on Sunday, September 23, 2018.

The next **Soup and Sandwich** is on Sunday, September 23, 2018. The youth are raising money for their next Guatemala Mission Experience in 2019.

OUTREACH

Canned Tuna: We are still collecting canned tuna for Oak Table, one of the community ministries of 1JustCity.

We Are All Treaty People: This is an event to bring together people of varying backgrounds to learn a bit about Treaty but also to join together in a variety of activities – music, dance, crafts, conversation. It is on Sunday, September 16 at the Forks, near the Provencher Bridge, bring a lawn chair. Presbytery is encouraging churches to attend.

The next **St. Matthews Maryland Community Ministry Urban Retreats Garden Tour and Tea** is going to be held in the River Heights area in June 2019, and we are looking for a resident of River Heights to join our sponsorship team. This person would work with the team to approach local businesses and solicit sponsorship's for this event, our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please be in touch with Josh at minister@stmatthewsmaryland.ca if you are interested in helping with this.

ST ANDREW'S CONTACT LIST

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

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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.



It is in giving that we receive.
It is in forfeiting our lives for
Jesus' sake that we are
saved.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
Governance Meeting (chapel) @
11:45am

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Karen @ Misericordia Place
ABC (auditorium) @ 6pm
Service team (chapel) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Caring Community (board room) @ 1pm
Book Club (lounge) @ 1:30pm
Golden Chords (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Karen @ Parkway for service
Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm
Handbells (lounge) @ 6:30pm
Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Bible Study – All welcome! @ 9:15am

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Rental—Darragh Joy @ 4-8pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am
~ barb janes preaching
Soup & Sandwich (auditorium)
Recital (sanctuary) @ 12pm
Renaissance Voices (sanctuary) @ 3pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Pres Exec (board room) @ 1:30pm
Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm
Rental—G&S AGM (sanctuary) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Golden Chords (sanctuary) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Bible Study – All welcome! @ 9:15am
St. A's Garage Sale @ 4-9pm

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

St. A's Garage Sale @ 9-3pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Worship (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Worship (chapel) @ 7pm
P&A (lounge) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

Golden Chords (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

Bible Study – All welcome! @ 9:15am

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

Bible Study: The fall session of our bible study will start on Friday September 21 and end Friday December 14. We will read and study the lectionary together in preparation for Sunday Services. Readings for Sept 21 available outside the office in the mail slot and at the back of the church. All are welcome to attend.

The **St. Andrews Book Club** will meet on Wednesday, September 19 at 1:30 pm in the church lounge. Over the summer, members were invited to read a book of their choice and give a brief report on their book at the meeting. New members are always welcome to join the group.

On **Sunday, September 30**, the youth and Rev. Karen Lumley are leading worship at Westworth United Church. They will be sharing their experiences of our Guatemala Mission Experiences.

St. Andrew's Garage Sale - September 28 & 29:

St. Andrew's is having a garage sale on Friday, September 28 from 4-7pm and Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 9am - 3pm. The storage room in the auditorium has been emptied and is ready for you to deliver your stuff. If you are unable to deliver your items during office hours or have furniture or larger items you would like picked up, please contact the church office by calling 204-488-1130. Items must be clean, sale-able and fully operational – no junk please. Also, no National Geographics, phones, TV's, typewriters, electronics or computers will be accepted. We're looking for lamps, books, small working appliances, silver items, ornaments, linens, treasures, tools, housewares and jewelry. The church will also not be accepting any clothing items, stuffed/plush toys, mattresses or upholstered items. **Volunteers Needed:** We will also need many helpers to sort and price the garage sale items daily between Sept. 24-28, 9am to 4pm, as well as to work the garage sale on Sept. 28 & 29. Sign up sheets will be in Narthex in early September.

Harvest Supper: St. Andrew's Annual Harvest Supper will be held on Sunday, October 21 with two sittings - 4:30pm & 6:30pm. Tickets will go on sale starting Monday, September 17 from the church office or online through Eventbrite at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/st-andrews-annual-harvest-supper-tickets-49093427764>

Volunteers Needed: It Takes a Congregation to Host a Harvest Supper! We need ten or more people to assist in some specific tasks before the dinner, such as shopping for groceries and picking up and delivering the frozen turkeys. More details as the date draws nearer. If interested, please contact Diane, Joan or Doreen.

