

# E A S T E R S U N D A Y H E I S R I S E N

Sunday, April 21, 2019



Easter Sunday is the most important Sunday of the Church year. It is the Sunday that we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and new life which is Christ's gift to us.

**Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Whatever you do on this special day remember the Christ of the Resurrection and the Easter story. Remember that we are called to live the resurrection story each and every day of the year. May the spirit of the season fill you with hope and faith. God bless you now and always. Happy Easter. Rejoice in the Lord!

~ Rev. Karen Lumley

## 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 on-going 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.

**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 - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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*

**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 @ 204-488-1130 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? Our senior choir meets Thursday evenings and welcomes new members! *Choir Director - dmorphy1@mts.net*

**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.

## EASTER SUNDAY

\*please stand or sit in the spirit

GATHERING MUSIC (*I know that my redeemer liveth—G. F. Handel*)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Look, life is here, **even when the tomb is empty.**

Listen, love is calling, **even when death is all around.**

Believe, for hope reigns victorious; **this is the gift of the resurrection.**

This is the miracle of Easter. **Hallelujah! Christ is Risen. Amen.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: **VU155** – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (*EASTER HYMN*)

CANDLE LIGHTING/PRELUDE (*Lift high the cross—arr. P. Mans*)

PRAYER

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

May our minds and hearts be opened, **to God's ways of love and justice,**

Which empower us to speak out, **to reach beyond boundaries,**

To offer welcome and hospitality, **to practice liberating love.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Amen.**

JUNIOR CHOIR: Alleluia! Christ Is Risen (*Text & Music: Michael Bedford*)

Alleluia! Christ is risen! See the stone is rolled away!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Spread the news to all this day.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He's alive and we are free!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Tell the people, "Come and see!"

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

CHILDREN'S TIME

\*HYMN: **VU175** – This Is the Day That God Has Made (*EASTER JOY*)

SCRIPTURE READING: John 20:1-18 — Read by Catherine Ledlow

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Look for life. **It's all around!**

Live for love. **It's gift abounds!**

Live with hope. **It's freely given!**

Celebrate the risen Christ. **Christ is risen indeed!**

ANTHEM: "Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise" (*Texts: Romans 8:31-32; Charles Wesley 1742;*  
*Music: LLANFAIR (Robert Williams); arranged by Dan Forrest*)

If God be for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare His only Son, but gave Him up for all,

Shall we not with Him freely give us all things?

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!

To his throne above the skies; Alleluia!

Christ, the Lamb for sinners giv'n, Alleluia!

Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluia!

Circled round with angel powers, Alleluia!

Their triumphant Lord and ours, Alleluia!

Christ has conquered death and sin; Alleluia!

Take the King of glory in! Alleluia!

SERMON

\*HYMN: **VU177** – This Joyful Eastertide (*VRUECHTEN*)

OFFERING/OFFERTORY (*Thine is the glory—arr. A. Guilmant*)

\*OFFERING SONG RESPONSE (VU116)

**Giver of the perfect gift, only hope of human race, hear the prayer our hearts uplift,  
gathered at thy throne of grace.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER (p. 914/916)

\*HYMN: **VU158**—Christ Is Alive (*TRURO*)

BLESSING

ANTHEM: “Hallelujah (from Messiah)”

*Members of the congregation are invited to come forward to sing the chorus.  
Copies of the anthem are available at the back of the sanctuary.*

POSTLUDE (*Allegro Maestoso from Water Music—G. F. Handel*)

Scripture readings for next week are Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 150,  
Revelation 1:4-8, and John 20:19-31.

**The Anthem this Week**

The Junior Choir will sing a bright cheerful song “Alleluia, Christ is Risen” by Michael Bedford, and we invite any congregation members present to join us in “Hallelujah” from Handel’s “Messiah” near the end of the service.

The Senior Choir will offer a splendid Easter anthem “Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise”, arranged by Dan Forrest. We have sung several pieces by Dan Forrest, including, in our last two Christmas Eve services his arrangements of “O little town of Bethlehem” and ‘See amid the winter’s snow”. Dan has taken two wonderful Easter hymns and, after presenting them separately, has married them together in a wonderful final chorus. His arrangements are uplifting and imaginative. He’s not afraid to alter melodic lines to highlight textual nuances.

“If God be for us” reminds us of the incalculable gift that God gave us, that He gave up His only Son, followed by the joyful “Hail the Day that sees Him Rise”. The genius of the piece is that Forrest recognised that the two hymns together create a wonderful celebratory impact.

**Announcements**

**Bridge Luncheon:** This annual fundraiser is **Monday, April 29, 2019**, and we still have **a few tables available**. This year we will have **Bridge and Mah Jong players** attending. Please contact Connie Blamey @ 204-488-8876 if you would like to book a table. In order to make the Bridge Luncheon a success, we need volunteers! Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

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

Thank you to our candle lighter, Ciara Oliver-Travers, as well as our greeters, Sigrid & Michael Duncan.

**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.



Christians are ones who cannot keep silent and cannot keep their gifts to themselves.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 21**

**Communion @ 8:45**  
**Breakfast @ 9-9:45am**  
**Easter Service @ 10:30am**

**MONDAY, APRIL 22**

Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, APRIL 23**

Rental—Ren. Voices (sanc.) @ 6pm  
 Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm  
 Rental—Stevenson (lounge) @ 5pm  
 ♪ Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26**

Office Closed  
 Bible Study (lounge) @ 9:15am

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

Rental—Shevchenko Recital @ 1pm  
 Spirit Path (Lounge & Chapel) @ 2pm

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

Affirming Sunday @ 10:30am  
 Noelle Bowles (lounge) @ 1pm  
 Set up for Bridge Luncheon

**MONDAY, APRIL 29**

**Bridge Luncheon (aud.) @ 11:45am**  
 Spirit Path (chapel) @ 6:30pm  
 Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30**

Rental—Ren. Voices (sanc.) @ 6pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 2**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm  
 Spirit Path (chapel) @ 7:30pm  
 ♪ Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

**FRIDAY, MAY 3**

Bible Study (lounge) @ 9:15am  
 Rental—MMRTA piano delivered

**SATURDAY, MAY 4**

Rental—MMRTA  
 (Piano tuner @ 9:30-1pm)  
 Wes—Student recital @ 3:30pm

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**

**Church Picnic outdoors (weather permitting) @ 10:30am**  
 Rental—MMRTA (sanc.) All Day

**MONDAY, MAY 6**

Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, MAY 7**

Rental—Ren. Voices (sanc.) @ 6pm  
 Worship Meeting (chapel) @ 7pm  
 P&A Meeting (CE room) @ 7:30pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 9**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm  
 ♪ Choir (sanctuary) @ 8pm

**FRIDAY, MAY 10**

Bible Study (lounge) @ 9:15am  
 Derek Morphy (sanctuary) @ 7pm

**SUNDAY, MAY 12**

Worship @ 10:30am

**MONDAY, MAY 13**

Derek Morphy (sanctuary) 6-9pm  
 Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, MAY 14**

Rental—Ren. Voices (sanc.) @ 6pm  
 Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 16**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**

Worship @ 10:30am  
 Marlon Recital (sanc.) 12pm

**MONDAY, MAY 20**

**Victoria Day Stat—Office Closed**  
 Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, MAY 21**

Council Meeting (chapel) @ 7pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 23**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm

**SUNDAY, MAY 26**

Worship @ 10:30am  
**Chamber Winds (sanc.) 2pm**—\$15 at the door, proceeds in support of St. Andrew's. See Charmaine Bacon for info.

**MONDAY, MAY 27**

Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, MAY 28**

Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 29**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 30**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2**

Worship @ 10:30am  
 Pride Parade  
 Rental—Caron Recital @ 1:30pm  
 Rental—Rotoff Recital @ 6:30pm

**MONDAY, JUNE 3**

Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, JUNE 4**

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

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5**

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

**THURSDAY, JUNE 6**

Basement Bookstore @ 10am – 5pm

**SUNDAY, JUNE 9**

Worship @ 10:30am  
 Rental—River Heights School of Music Recital @ 1-6pm  
 Rental—Olivia Maxfield @ 7pm

**MONDAY, JUNE 10**

Good Evening AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14**

Centering Prayer (lounge) @ 7pm

