

Sunday, October, 18, 2020



World Food Day

Today is World Food Day and we as a community of faith are called upon to create a world where no one lives in scarcity, where there is enough for all. The gospel teaches us to "care for the most vulnerable members of society".

Access to food is a basic right and yet people are hungry. World Food Day is an opportunity to pray and reflect on our call to a compassionate response to hunger. Help us to create a world where all have access to nutritious and sustainable food resources.

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

News about the COVID situation in Canada, and right here in Winnipeg, seems to be changing by the hour. We at St. Andrew's are doing our best to monitor these changes.

In response to the recent spike in COVID cases in Manitoba, the Province announced more stringent measures regarding the wearing of face masks and limiting public gatherings to a maximum of 10 people. However, the Directive has been clear to specify that, at this time, there is no change to rules for schools, childcare, etc. and no change for faith-based gatherings. As such, we at St. Andrew's continue to be subject to a maximum of 30% of our full sanctuary capacity or approximately 130 people. Attendance at our services so far have been about 40 people and we are excited about that. Many more have tuned in to the online delayed streaming of each of these services. Be assured that we continue to follow all Provincial health directives to ensure a safe and comfortable environment for all attenders.

By now you are probably getting familiar with the new protocols when attending services but let me repeat them again below:

- We are encouraging attenders to pre-register in advance by phoning the church office during the week prior to the Sunday. Not to worry if you forget. Walk-ups will be warmly welcomed.
- Face masks will be required as you enter the building.
- Please enter the building through the Kingsway St. (east side) door. Only those with mobility issues who require use of the elevator will be allowed to enter thru the Oak St. entrance.
- As you enter, you will be welcomed by a Greeter at a desk as a check off for registration. It is a requirement for us to keep a
 record of all attenders (including contact phone numbers).
- An Usher will then escort you to a sanctuary seat. A seating plan has been developed marking 'Usable' sanctuary seats to
 ensure appropriate social distancing.
- Appropriate exiting at the conclusion of the service is important. Exiting one pew row at a time will be supervised by the Ushers. Health regulations prevent mingling with refreshments after the service.

The Christian Education Committee has been working hard to provide Sunday School and nursery/toddler care during the service. Karen and Charlotte have relocated back to their church offices. For health security reasons, the Oak St. door will continue to remain locked. You can see them by calling in advance or ringing the buzzer positioned at the outside Oak St. door.

As always, your comments and feedback is important to us, probably best provided by email thru the Church Office.

Glenn Neufeld



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: Serenade Noel Rawsthorne

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: MV138 My love colours outside the lines GORDON LIGHT

GATHERING PRAYER

CENTERING WORDS

CALL TO WORSHIP:
Shout out to God, all the earth!
Break into joyful songs to the one true God!
Sing of the glory due God's name,
And offer the most magnificent praises!
All your words are wonderful!
The entire earth bows down to worship You,
singing songs of praise and glory to Your name.
Come, let's bless God together!
Let's praise the One who gives us life who watches over us,

and keeps our feet from stumbling.

CANDLE LIGHTING

HYMN: MV138 My love colours outside the lines GORDON LIGHT

CHILDREN'S TIME

SOLO: Nicki LeGrand; Thank you, Lord; Dan Burgess

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 22:15-22 read by Vinny Ashton

SERMON

HYMN: VU422 God be with you till we meet again GOD BE WITH YOU

OFFERING

(Plates at the back of the church for your convenience)

OFFERING PRAYER: (from Third Space website.http:///third-space.org.uk)

We bless you, God of Seed and Harvest, and we bless each other, That the beauty of this world, and the love that created it, might be expressed through our lives, and be a blessing to others, now and always. Amen. ANTHEM: I will give joyful thanks; Text and Music: Douglas Nolan I will give my thanks to the Father. I will give my thanks to the Son. I will give my thanks to the Spirit. I will give thanks!

Make a joyful noise to the Father. Make a joyful noise to the Son. Make a joyful noise to the Spirit. Sing to the Lord!

God's great mercy and love surround us. God's truth abounds for evermore. God's name is exalted above the earth. Lift high the glory of the Lord.

Sing to the Lord, rejoice, alleluia. Sing to the Lord a jubilant song, Sing to the Lord, Hosanna, Hosanna.

Come and give thanks to the Lord, our God. Come before God's presence with singing Come into His courts with a song. Come into His gates with thanksgiving. Come and give thanks.

I will give my thanks to the Father. I will give my thanks to the Son. I will give my thanks to the Spirit. I will give thanks to the Lord! I will give thanks!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PRAYER OF JESUS: pg. 914/916 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

BLESSING:

*BENEDICTION (MV 84 vs 2)
In you there is a vision, in you we learn to dream.
When all we see is desert may you be our living stream.
In you there is a future, in you we find our way.
When hope has shed its brightness may you show us a new day.

POSTLUDE: Allegro (from 'Concerto based on Antonio Vivaldi') Johann G. Walther

(Remained seated, you will be ushered out)

The Anthem this week

The words and music of this cheerful anthem celebrating Thanksgiving was written by prolific sacred music composer, Douglas Nolan. It zips along merrily with somewhat predictable words and changing metres. The opening and closing sections are marked in the score to be sung "with vigor", somewhat contrasting with a more leisurely middle section.

ST. ANDREW'S CONTACT LIST

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

Thank you so much to the re-opening group, worship group, Jan and Evan Demeduk and to Jeff Kremer for your hard work to make everything run smoothly!

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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. Preauthorized 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.



In a generous act of hospitality, God invites us into ministry. How shall we then respond?

Coming Up...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Rental—Things (chapel) @9am Rental—Judith Oatway (sanctuary) @ 3:30pm

Council Meeting @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Rental—Judith Oatway (sanctuary) @ 3:30pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Rental— Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @

Rental — Charmaine (sanctuary) @ 4:30pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Rental—Judith Oatway (sanctuary) @ 3:30pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Ken Delisle will be our guest preacher next Sunday

Ken DeLisle is a retired Diaconal minister and has served in 4 Conferences over the years as an Intentional Interim.

He is married to Rev. John Robertson and they have fostered 8 teenagers.

He is member of Rainbow Harmony Choir and occasionally appears as Crystal Clear or other female characters.

Ken last served at Prairie Spirit, here in Winnipeg. His current anthem that keeps him going is, How Can I Keep From Singing?

We received a Certificate of Thanksgiving is recognition for giving \$16,000 in 2019 for the Mission & Service of The United Church of Canada. Thanks for your generosity in giving to the life, work and mission of the church.

Oak Table -1JustCity is now live visit them at http://www.oaktable.ca. The new website is launched and LIVE! Visit and see the changes they are making. You can be updated on all their needs. It is exciting TOGETHER, We can Make It Happen...Let's Make This Dream a Reality.

Thanksgiving Drive

Let's collect

MEAT: canned tuna, salmon, canned ham, canned chicken mayon-naise

HYGIENE ITEMS: toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, body lotion, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, disposable razors, shaving cream

UNDERWEAR: men and women's new underwear Medium & Large, men's undershirts, gently used or new athletic shoes for men and women, diabetic socks only! We will be collecting these items for the next month. Bring them to church or drop them off. Thanks for your generosity!

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Sunday School: Ages 0-4 years in the lounge upstairs and 5 years and up in the auditorium downstairs. Please come in the doors at the Kingsway, not 255 Oak Street with your children. We will ensure your children are taken to their classes and they will be brought upstairs when church is finished. Registration forms are available online to print. Pre-register your family if you can, you can also email the office if you can't find the pre-registration form on the website. Thanks!

Christian Meditation An old way of prayer for our new reality In stressful times our relationship with God becomes more important. Learn how to "be still and know that I am God" by attending an online 6 week Introduction to Christian Meditation course beginning on Monday October 19th at 7:30 pm. For more information and to register contact Gail Brooks at rgbrooks2@shaw.ca

Rev. Karen Lumley is on Study Leave from October 19-26. She will be working on service planning for the rest of the year.

A special thank you to Ruth McKenzie who so wonderfully decorated the church for Thanksgiving Sunday. What a beautiful display of the Thanksgiving season.

Thanks to David Wreford who opens our church daily, ensures lights are out and the building is locked up at night. It is David who comes over when the alarm is set off and during COVID David opened and unlocked the door for all who needed in. Thanks David for all you do.

Bible Study is not meeting this Tuesday but will meet the next week.

If anyone wants to send mail to Lt (N) L J Fox here is her address:

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*All mail is free from Oct. 20 to Jan 8.

Scripture Readings for Next Week:

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-36

