



## Sunday, April 3 2022



Lent is defined as the period of 40 days that Christians observe from Ash Wednesday to Easter. It is often marked with giving up something one really likes. It is a reflective time of penitence in preparation for Easter. It is a time of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert of 40 days. Let us as ponder these things in our hearts.

### 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

### Reminder on COVID Protocols at St. Andrew's

It is exciting to have returned to In-Person services at St. Andrew's and, of course, to continue to provide a recorded online option for folks that are unable to attend in person.

We know that Manitoba Health has relaxed restrictions for most public settings. However, here at St. Andrew's we continue to require proof of vaccination and wearing of masks for persons 12 years and older to attend services in person. And we continue to follow social distancing protocols regarding seating.

Looking ahead, we will revisit the need to continue these restrictions depending on the prospect of further declining hospitalizations and ICU numbers.

We appreciate your understanding and patience.

*Your Church Council*

### ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING: *Liturgical Prelude #1* George Oldroyd  
*In the rifted rock I'm resting* arr. Winnifred Sim

CENTERING WORDS

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS



**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.

GATHERING LITANY FOR LENT: Fred Cross, Nolan Kehler & Nicki LeGrand - *Three Voices* by Joy Cowan (*Heritage U.C., Regina, Sask. The Gathering Resources for Worship 2022*)

HYMN: **VU642** Be Thou My Vision vs. 1, 2 & 5  
♪ **Be thou my vision, O joy of my heart,  
Naught be all else to me save that thou art,  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, my calm in all strife;  
I ever with thee, and thou in my life,  
Thou loving parent, thy child may I be,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.**

**Great God of heaven, after victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all. ♪**

GREETING/ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF LAND:  
Welcome in the name of Christ.

**Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the  
Traditional lands of the  
Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree and Dakota Nations  
and homeland of the Métis Nation.**

Welcome to this place of retreat and refuge, worship and wonder.

**It is good to be here. It is good to be together.**  
It is good to be together here in this place and it is good to connect online.  
Let us prepare to worship God.

CANDLE LIGHTING

Candle response: **MV67** *Kyrie Eleison* (Bridget)  
Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.  
(Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy)

OPENING PRAYER: (WoodLake Publishing 2021)  
During this season of lent, we come before you in prayer.

**O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for generosity of spirit, that calls us to the practice of gratitude.

**O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for confidence, that calls us to trust in your promises.

**O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for hope, that calls us to live faithfully.

**O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for grace, that calls us to seek restoration.

**O God, hear our prayer.**

We pray for compassion, that calls us to gracious ministry.

**O God, hear our prayer. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

SOLO: Nicki LeGrand - *A Simple Song* (from Mass, Leonard Bernstein)

Sing God a simple song: Lauda, laude.  
Make it up as you go along: Lauda, laude.  
Sing like you like to sing.  
God loves all simple things,  
For God is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song  
To praise Him, to bless Him, to bless the Lord.  
I will sing His praises while I live all my days.  
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,  
Blessed is the man who praises Him,  
And walks in His ways.

I will lift up my eyes  
To the hills from whence comes my help.  
I will lift up my voice to the Lord  
Singing Lauda, Laude.  
For the Lord is my shade,  
Is the shade upon my right hand,  
And the sun shall not smite me by day  
Nor the moon by night.

SCRIPTURE READING: Iris McKay  
Psalm 126 **VU850** refrain 2  
Gospel Reading: John 12:1-8  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: *Call to Remembrance* (Farrant)  
Call to remembrance, O Lord,  
Thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness,  
Which hath been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:  
But according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord,  
For thy goodness.

SERMON

HYMN: **VU129** Said Judas to Mary vs. 1-4  
♪ **Said Judas to Mary, "Now what will you do  
with your ointment so rich and so rare?"  
"I'll pour it all over the feet of the Lord  
and I'll wipe it away with my hair,"  
she said "wipe it away with my hair."**

**"Oh Mary, oh Mary, oh think of the poor  
This ointment, it could have been sold,  
And think of the blankets and think of the bread  
You could buy with the silver and gold,  
He said, "buy with the silver and gold."**

**“Tomorrow, tomorrow I’ll think of the poor,  
Tomorrow,” she said, “not today;  
for dearer than all of the poor in the world  
is my love who is going away,”  
she said, “my love who is going away.”**

**Said Jesus to Mary, “Your love is so deep,  
Today you may do as you will.  
Tomorrow you say I am going away,  
But my body I leave with you still,”  
“my body I leave with you still.” ♪**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:**

Mary gave the very best gifts to Jesus.  
We choose to give our best gifts in God’s service.

Sung response: **VU950** Stay with me  
**Stay with me, remain here with me,  
Watch and pray, watch and pray.  
Stay with me, remain here with me,  
Watch and pray, watch and pray.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER: VU914**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY: MV191** *What Can I Do?*

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I’ll sing with joy. I’ll say a prayer.  
I’ll bring my love. I’ll do my share.**

**BLESSING**

**BENEDICTION: Go With Us**

**May the blessing of God,  
Who made us in love,  
Who made us for companionship,  
And who made us to enhance the world,  
Go with us as we leave this place,  
Go with us where life calls us to be.  
We go, but not alone.  
We go, but not alone.  
We go, we go, loved and blessed,  
To be a blessing. Amen.**

**POSTLUDE: Solemn Melody** Henry Walford Davies

**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!

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### Announcements

**A big thank you** to our quartet of singers: Katy Harmer, Nicki LeGrand, Nolan Kehler & Fred Cross. Thank you to our scripture reader Iris McKay. Thank you to Tyler Craddock and Fred Cross for arranging the recording of the service today.

**Memorial Flowers** What is the Memorial Flowers Fund? Every year during Lent, St. Andrew's raises money for the St. Andrew's Flower Fund in memory of loved ones. Donations can be made in amounts of your choosing and you can name as many people as you wish. All loved ones so named will be listed in an In Memoriam section in our order of service on Easter Sunday. This fund is used to purchase flowers/plants to decorate the church during special times of the year. If you would like your 'In Memoriam' to be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin, please forward the form and your donation to the church office by mailing it in or dropping it off in the mailbox no later than Monday, April 11th, 2022. Any donation to the Memorial Flowers Fund will be included in your yearly income tax receipt. Forms are located in the narthex or can be found on our website under "publications/forms".

#### **Remember in Prayer:**

Sandra (Samm) Brown is in St. Boniface Hospital.

Sue Bolton as she awaits surgery.

Those at The Wellington, 3161 Grant Avenue R3R 3R1  
Audrey Belyea, Marjorie Eckert, Joyce Rich, Bob Siddall, Phyllis Thomson and Shirley Keats.

Gerry Cook, Jeff & Jodi and families in the loss of their father and husband. A private service of celebration was held this past week.

Paul Webster and family in the loss of his sister, Elizabeth Davidson's lifelong partner and the love of her life Lee Cowan this past week.

Betty & Lou Jubinville passing of Lou's brother Jules and Betty's brother John Scott who passed away Sunday morning.

**A service celebrating** John Scott's life (Betty Jubinville's brother) will be held at the Voyageur Funeral Home on Portage on Tuesday, April 12th at 1:00pm.

**Thursday, April 28th** service of Celebration for Doreen Morrow will be held at St. Andrew's at 2:00 with a reception to follow.

#### **Scripture Readings for next week:**

Luke 19:28-40  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29  
Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Luke 22:14-23:56  
Or Luke 23:1-49

#### **YOUR GIFTS MATTER.**

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Check out our website for more information and forms. The church is very grateful for any and all donations. Thank you so much.



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

