



Sunday, May 29, 2022



We are an Easter people. People who celebrate the Risen Christ! The Season of Easter begins on Easter Sunday and lasts until June 5th which is Pentecost Sunday. The cross remains in the sanctuary with the white cloth on it until Pentecost. Easter is the most important and oldest festival of the Christian Church, celebrating the resurrection Jesus Christ. Hallelujah! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 see in-person attendance gradually building from Sunday to Sunday here at St. Andrew's. It is refreshing to connect personally with our fellow worshippers. And of course, we continue to provide the recorded on-line option for folks who are unable to attend for various reasons.

We feel it is now time to relax some of the COVID protocols in line with various changes that are taking place across the country. Specifically, starting Easter Sunday, we will no longer be asking for proof of vaccination to attend the services. **But it continues to be important to wear face masks and follow social distancing practices.**

We thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Your Church Council

We pray for those in care facilities

Jack Palmer in Catherine Place

Kit Jarvis in West Park Manor



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: *Adagio (Organ Sonata #1)* Felix Mendelssohn

CENTERING WORDS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP (The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022)

Clap your hands, people of God. **Shout to God with cries of joy.**

Look to the heavens, brothers and sisters in Christ. **Witness to the power of our God.**

Clap your hands, people of God. **Shout to God with cries of joy.**

WORDS OF WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Vinny Ashton & Joan Stevenson

CANDLE LIGHTING

OPENING PRAYER

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 continue to worship our God.

HYMN: **VU569** *You Call Us Out* vs. 1, 2 & 3

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING: Read by Susanne Reimer
Psalm 97 **VU817**

ANTHEM: *Little Drop of Heaven* (Pepper Choplin)

Let a little drop of heaven come to earth.

Bring peace, sweet peace. Bring peace to this world.

Let peace come, Your will be done on the earth as it in heaven.

Let Your peace come down from heaven to this world.

We pray for peace.

Let a little drop of heaven fall to earth.

Bring love, true love.

Bring love to this world. Bring peace to this world.
Let love come, Your will be done on the earth as it is in heaven.

Let Your love come down from heaven to this world.

We pray for love.

Let a little drop of heaven come to earth.

Bring joy, sweet joy. Bring joy to this world.

Let a little drop of heaven come down.

Bring peace, love and joy to this world.

Acts 16:16-34

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN: **VU559** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

SERMON

HYMN: **VU457** *As We Gather at Your Table*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Setting E **VU942**

Liturgy: Right Rev. Dr. Richard Bott

As we come to this table... to peace and justice, are welcome.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give our thanks and praise.

Alleluia. **Alleluia!**

With all of our hearts ...

...it and with us to the end of the ages.

And so we say: **Alleluia.**

And so we cry; **Alleluia!**

And so we shout; **Alleluia!**

For all that keeps life going;...

...people of all places and times.

Thank you, God! **Thank you God!**

Your love for us is...

...you call us back to your Love.

Thank you, God!

With all of your creation, we sing praise!

Holy, holy, holy God of power and might.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is the one who comes, in the name of the Lord.

We remember, and in our remembering, **we ask for your Wisdom.**

As we come to your table ...

...and we release them

We release them.

As we come to your table ...

...and we ask your forgiveness.

We ask forgiveness.

As we come to your table ...

...And so we eat, we drink, and we remember.

We eat the bread of life.

We drink the cup of hope.

We remember Jesus the Christ. Alleluia!

Come Christ Jesus!

Come into our hearts.

Come into our lives.

Come into our love.

God of the delta ...

...make us one with Christ, with all.

Alleluia, Amen!

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

Jesus Christ, the bread of life!

Jesus Christ, the cup of hope!

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, God;

for the bread and the cup, for the life and the Love,

for the Wisdom to walk into your world.

With your strength, our faith is strengthened.

With your love, our love grows.

Help us to share that love, strength, and faith.

Help us to accept when others share it with us that it might change the world.

In Christ's name, we ask it. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

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!

A thank you our scripture reader
Susanne Reimer today

We are one.

Sung response: **VU180 Christ is Risen** (Refrain)

Christ is risen, yes indeed!

Hallelujah!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: **VU541 Praise God from Whom All Blessings**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures high and low;

Give thanks to God in love made known:

Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **VU179 Hallelujah, Give Thanks vs. 1**

Hallelujah, hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ

Hallelujah, hallelujah! Give praise to God's name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,

Firstborn of all creation

POSTLUDE: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow (Old 100th)* arr. Johann Pachelbel

Announcements

A special thanks to Colleen Watters who arranges scripture readers every week. Thank you for doing this, Colleen. If anyone would like to read, send an email to the church office or to Colleen and she will sign you up.

Chris Donlevy, one of our tenor section leaders, will be moving to Montreal with his partner this summer. Thank you, Chris, for your musical leadership and good humour over the years, and good luck on your new ventures!

Rev. Karen Lumley will be on Study leave from May 30-June 8. If you need pastoral care contact Rev. Heather Robbins 204-295-1542. Karen will be officiating at a family friend's wedding in Ontario and working on worship preparation for the fall.

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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, MAY 29

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, MAY 30

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, MAY 31

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @ 5pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @ 6:30pm
Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 2

Rental—Gwen Hoebig (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 7pm

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Services:

- **Sunday, June 5**—Pentecost Sunday, Rita Swan, a Lay Worship Leader will be our guest worship leader and preacher.

Sunday, June 12—Trinity Sunday, Rev. Dr. Ray Cuthbert retired minister will be our guest minister.

Rev. Karen Lumley will be co-leading worship

Pride Parade, June 5th - Legislative Grounds, Left Lawn. The United Church is registered for the Pride Parade on Sunday, June 5.

Needed: 1 Person who will arrive at 10am to get the United Church's Entry Number and secure our place in the parade.

Leg. Grounds, west lawn

Contact Dawn

at minister@churchillparkunited.ca if you can do this.

Walkers, please arrive between 10:30 and 11am. The parade begins promptly at 11am. Banners, flags, bright colours and anything else celebratory is welcome.

The parade is 1.75km. We end at the Gold Eyes Parking Lot.

A full day of festivities will then ensue at the Forks.

We have space for 50 people in the parade! Let's do it.

Remember in Prayer:

Rob Siddall Chair of the Church Council's father, Bob Siddall, passed away suddenly at the Wellington this past week. A service celebrating his life was held on Thursday, May 26 at 11:00 a.m.

Ruth Nichols from Action Marquette, passed away March 16th, 2022. Remember her family in your prayers.

Cam Regier who is suffering from long-term covid. There was an article in the newspaper about his story.

Lesley Rempel is in Deer Lodge for physio.

Ross Adamson is in Seven Oaks Hospital.

Kathy Knowles, who is in Ghana, Africa continuing her ministry with the OCLF (Osu Children's Library Fund) that she began years ago while living in Africa. Her work continues and children are learning the Joy of Reading and have access to books to read.

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, through E-transfer by contacting Bill Craddock our Treasurer at 204-488-1130 just leave a message on the phone and Bill will return it, or can be dropped off at any time through the church office.

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?

Sue Bolton as she awaits surgery.

Lou Rutledge celebrated her 98th birthday on May 17 at Tuxedo Villa.

Got any loose change? The Coin Canister is at the back of the church. Drop-in spare coins for Oak Table-1JustCity for their needs for food for their new breakfast program. So far have collected \$398 and sent \$400 off to Oak Table, thank you so much!

Scripture Readings for next week:

*Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-17, (25-27)



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