

**Sunday, May 15, 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

Sandra (Samm) Brown in Deer Lodge

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: *Vesper Voluntary* Edward Elgar  
*Come down, O love divine* (Down Ampney)  
arr. Wilbur Held

CENTERING WORDS

WORDS OF WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Na-  
tions and homeland of the Métis Nation.**

Welcome to this place of retreat and refuge, wor-  
ship 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: **VU444** *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*  
♪ **Child of blessing, child of promise,  
Baptized with the Spirit's sign;  
With this water God has sealed you  
Unto love and grace divine.**

**Child of love, our love's expression,  
Love's creation, love indeed!  
Fresh from God, refresh our spirits,  
Into joy and laughter lead.**

**Child of joy, our dearest treasure,  
God's you are, from God you came.  
Back to God we humbly give you;  
Live as one who bears Christ's name.**

**Child of God your loving Parent,  
Learn to know whose child you are.  
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,  
Trusting in God's love and care. ♪**

CHILDREN'S TIME

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see booklet)

Hebrew Benediction **VU965**

**The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:  
the Lord make his face shine up on thee,  
and be gracious unto thee:  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee,  
and give thee peace. Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING: Read by Anne Grewar  
Acts 11:1-18

ANTHEM: *If Ye Love Me* (Thomas Tallis)  
If ye love me, keep my commandments.  
And I will pray the Father,  
And He shall give you another comforter,  
That he may 'bide with you forever;  
E'en the spirit of truth.

Revelation 21:1-6

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

HYMN: **VU367** *Come Down O Love Divine*  
♪ **Come down, O love divine, seek now this  
soul of mine,  
And visit it with your own ardour glowing.  
O comforter, draw near, within my heart ap-  
pear,  
And kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn  
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
And let your glorious light shine ever on my  
sight,  
And clothe me round, my onward path illuming.**

**And so the yearning strong with which the soul  
will long  
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
For none can guess its grace, till love creates  
the place  
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes its dwelling. ♪**

SERMON

HYMN: **VU713** *I See a New Heaven and Earth*  
♪ (refrain) **I see anew heaven. I see a new earth  
as the old  
One will pass away, where the fountain of life  
flows  
And without price goes to all people who abide  
in the land.**

There, there on the banks  
of a river bright and free,  
Yielding her fruit, firm in her root,  
The Tree of Life will be. R

There, there where death dies  
and our lives are born again,  
body and soul, struggling but whole  
like flowers after the rain. R

There, there where the darkness  
Brings visions from above.  
There where the night, bearing new light,  
Reveals the promise of love. R

There, there where we work  
with the love of healing hands.  
Labour we must, trust to our trust  
To build a promised new land. R ♪

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:  
Compassionate God show us your works.  
Sung response: **VU180** *Christ is Risen* (Refrain)  
**Christ is risen, yes indeed!**  
**Hallelujah!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: **VU914**

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: *Jubilate Deo* Cecil Armstrong Gibbs

### Announcements

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism.  
Noa Avery Munt is being baptized.  
Her parents are Katie Raye Munt and Ryan Mat-  
thew Munt.

### **Upcoming Services:**

- Sunday, May 29-Sacrament of Communion
- Sunday, June 5-Pentecost
- Sunday, June 12-Trinity Sunday

**Bible Study** meets Wednesday mornings in the  
lounge at 9:30am. This week we will be focusing  
on: \*Acts 16:9-15

**Mark your calendars:** Saturday, May 28th,  
7:30pm our wonderful resident musicians present  
a Springtime recital! An evening of light-hearted  
music to celebrate coming through a long winter.  
A collection will be taken to support the Music  
Ministry here at St. Andrew's. See you there!

### **Remember in Prayer:**

Jack Palmer is in the Victoria Hospital.

Ross Adamson is in Seven Oaks Hospital.

Jim Henderson, Carol Pawluk and family. Jim's  
sister Donna Lee Henderson of Brandon, Manito-  
ba passed away suddenly on April 25th.

The Keats family, Don, Bruce and Ken and their  
families. Shirley Keats passed away suddenly, on  
May 6. A service will be held at St. Andrew's on  
Monday, May 16th at 4:00 p.m.

### **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 Anne Gre-  
war today

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### Coming Up...

#### SUNDAY, MAY 15

Worship @ 10:30am

Rental—ReSound (sanctuary) @ 1pm

#### MONDAY, MAY 16

Rental—Jacqueline Ryz (sanctuary)

@ 6:30pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### TUESDAY, MAY 17

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @

5pm

Council meeting @ 7:30pm (board room)

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Bible Study @ 9:30am

Rental—Joy Cooper I(lounge) @

6:30pm

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

#### THURSDAY, MAY 19

Choir @ 8pm

#### SUNDAY, MAY 22

Worship @ 10:30am

#### MONDAY, MAY 23

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### TUESDAY, MAY 24

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @

5pm

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

Bible Study @ 9:30am

Rental—Joy Cooper I(lounge) @

6:30pm

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

#### THURSDAY, MAY 26

Choir @ 8pm

#### SATURDAY, MAY 28

Choir recital @ 7:30pm

#### MONDAY, MAY 30

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### TUESDAY, MAY 31

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @

5pm

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

Bible Study @ 9:30am

Rental—Joy Cooper I(lounge) @

6:30pm

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 2

Rental—Gwen Hoebig (sanctuary) @

6:30pm

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 4

Rental—Gina Wedel (sanctuary) @

2:30pm

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Rental—Martha Morphy (lounge) @

1pm

#### MONDAY, JUNE 6

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

### MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Remember in Prayer:

Lesley Rempel is in Deer Lodge for physio.

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.

Sue Bolton as she awaits surgery.

**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.

### 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?

### Landscaping:

P&A are looking for a person or persons (small committee) to care for and maintain the flower urns at the 255 Oak entrance. This would include care and pruning of shrubs/trees along the ramp and Oak Street. We are suggesting a small budget for the flowers or plants. Receipts would be turned in for reimbursement. The timeline would be May to September and would not include any grass cutting or spring/fall cleanup. Please indicate your interest or direct inquiries to John Swan at [swanfam@shaw.ca](mailto:swanfam@shaw.ca)

### Scripture Readings for next week:

\*Acts 16:9-15

Psalms 67

Revelation 21:10,22-22:5

John 14:23-29



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