

Baptism



Sunday, June 19, 2022



The Season of Pentecost begins on the 50th day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles. The disciples were filled with the Spirit and spoke in different languages preaching to all the people there who heard the message in their own language. It must have been an amazing sight to behold the Spirit descending upon the disciples. That same Spirit is available to us as Christians to teach us and empower us to continue the work of the disciples and of Christ. The Pentecost is June 5th and the season of Pentecost lasts until November 27th the first Sunday of Advent.

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: *Be still, my soul (Finlandia)* arr.
Robert Hobby

CENTERING WORDS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP (The Abingdon Worship Annual, 2022)

We come as God's children.

Everyone is welcome here. **Everyone?**

Yes everyone!

What about those who are different from us?

They are part of God's family.

Then we are really all one?

We are one in Christ Jesus.

God is with us always and in everyone.

HYMN: **VU313** *God, Whose Almighty Word*

♪ **God, whose almighty word**

Chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight,

Hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day

Sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.

Jesus, who came to bring

**On your redeeming wing, healing and sight,
Health to the troubled mind, sight to the Spirit blind,**

O now to humankind let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,

**Life-giving, holy dove, speed forth your flight;
Move on the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace,**

And in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Blessed and holy three,

**Glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might,
Boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride,**

Through the world far and wide, let there be light. ♪

WORDS OF WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANDLE LIGHTING

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, 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.

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

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. ♪

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 Diane Bewell

Luke 8:26-39

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

SOLO: Judy Oatway – *Thanks be to God* Words

P.J. O'Reilly, Music Stanley Dickson

Thanks be to God for roses rare;

For skies of blue and sunshine fair;

For every gift I raise a prayer,

Thanks be to God!

Thanks be to God for lovely night,

For mystic filled with stars bedight,

For hours of dream and deep delight,

Thanks be to God!

Thanks be to God for love divine
The hopes that round my heart entwine;
For all the joy that now is mine
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

HYMN: **VU652** *Be Still, My Soul*

♪ **Be still, my soul, for God is on your side,
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Trust in your God, your saviour and your
guide,
Who through all changes faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul, your best, your heavenly
friend
Through stormy ways lead to a peaceful end.**

**Be still, my soul, your God will undertake
To guide the future surely as the past.
Your hope, your confidence left nothing
shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul, life's tempests still obey
The voice that once the waves' wild fury
strayed.**

**Be still, my soul, the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever in God's peace;
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
Love's joys restored, our strivings all shall
cease.
Be still, my soul, when change and tears are
past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last. ♪**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Jesus has no voice but yours. Speak Out! Speak Up!

Sung response: **VU204** *Come, Holy Spirit*

**Come, Holy Spirit,
gracious heavenly dove;
Come, fire of love.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: **VU916** A Paraphrase
Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that

shall be.

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the uni-verse!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sus-tain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love now and forever. Amen

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: **VU537** *Your Work, O God* vs. 1

**Your work, O God, needs many hands
to help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share**

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **VU964** *Go Now in Peace*
**Go now in peace, go now in peace.
May the love of God surround you
everywhere, everywhere
you may go.**

POSTLUDE: *God, whose almighty word* (Moscow)
arr. Albert Travis

Announcements

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism.

James Arthur Cornelius DeFehr is being baptized.
His parents are Colin Arthur Cornelius DeFehr &
Kelsey Rae (Atkin) DeFehr.

Colter Charles Napper is also being baptized.
His parents are Meghan Alexandra McNaught &
Colin Charles Napper.

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 to our soloist, Judy Oatway and our to scripture reader, Diane Bewell, today.

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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, JUNE 20

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @ 5pm

Council Meeting (board room)
@7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

Rental—Katherine Mayba (sanctuary) @ 11am

Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @ 6:30pm

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

Rental—Graeme Lever (sanctuary) @ 2pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

Worship @ 10:30am

Rental—Claudette Caron (sanctuary) @ 1:30pm

MONDAY, JUNE 27

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @ 5pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

SUNDAY, JULY 3

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, JULY 4

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JULY 5

David Holman Funeral @ 11am

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, JULY 7

Rental—Judy Oatway sanctuary) @ 5pm

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to all those involved in the Choir Recital at the end of May, thanks to those who attended and especially thanks to all the St. Andrew's soloists and guest singers and the accompanists for a very entertaining recital. The special Choir Recital brought in about \$800 in revenues.

Thanks, Evan Demeduk for being in the Nursery week after week all during Covid. We appreciate your care of our little ones.

Thanks to Derek Morphy who led the singing and Audrey Belyea who accompanied us in our singing at the Wellington for our service on Wednesday morning.

Remember in Prayer:

Martha Graham, Derek Morphy and family in the passing of Martha's father who lived near Bobcaygen Ontario.

Evan Demeduk who was in the hospital this week. He thanks the church for their continued support of him on his journey.

Margaret Stinson (Hartley Stinson's spouse) who is moving to Victoria, B.C. We wish her all the best in her new home there.

Rev. Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd in the passing of her father in Victoria, BC.

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?

Coralie Standing who is in Concordia Hospital

Sue Bolton as she awaits surgery

Good News Lesley Rempel and Alexis Anderson are both out of the hospital and recuperating at home.

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.

Scripture Readings for next week:

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 (VU791)
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62



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