



**Sunday, June 5, 2022**



Pentecost is celebrated on the 50th day from 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: *Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist* (To God the Holy Spirit let us pray) Dietrich Buxtehude

### CENTERING WORDS

#### CALL TO WORSHIP:

The day of Pentecost has come and we have gathered in this place.

**Praise to the Lord, who sends forth The Spirit, and renews the face of the earth.**

Across plains and prairies, through gorges and valleys,

over mountain peaks and through sunlit skies,

**God's Spirit is at work in the world,**

**in our hearts,**

**in our minds,**

**in our hands and feet.**

God's Spirit is at work among us this day.

**Let us worship God. Amen.**

HYMN: **VU207** *Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth*

♪ **Spirit of God, unleashed on earth**

**With rush of wind and roar of flame!**

**With tongues of fire saints spread good news; earth, kindling, blazed its loud acclaim.**

**You came in power, the church was born;**

**O Holy Spirit, come again!**

**From living, waters rise new saints,**

**Let new tongues hail the risen Lord.**

**With burning words of victory won**

**Inspire our hearts grown cold with fear,**

**Revive in us baptismal grace,**

**And fan our smouldering lives to flame. ♪**

### 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, 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.

### OPENING PRAYER

### CHILDREN'S TIME – Jan Demeduk

#### SCRIPTURE READING: Read by Linda Paul

**VU827** Psalm 104 Part Two with Refrain 2

SOLO: Nolan Kehler – *Ich bin der Welt abhanden gekommen* (from Rückert-Lieder) - Gustav Mahler

I am lost to the world

With which I used to waste much time;

It has for so long known nothing of me,

It may well believe that I am dead.

Nor am I at all concerned

If it should think that I am dead.

Nor can I deny it,

For truly I am dead to the world.

I am dead to the world's tumult

And rest in a quiet realm!

I live alone in my heaven,

In my love, in my song.

Gospel Reading: John 14:8-17, 25-27.

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

HYMN: **VU382** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

♪ **Breathe on me, breath of God,**

**Fill me with life anew,**

**That I may love what thou dost love,**

**And do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,**

**Until my heart is pure,**

**Until my will is one with thine,**

**To do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,**

**Till I am wholly thine,**

**Until this earthly part of me**

**Glows with thy fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God:**

**So shall I never die,**

**But live with thee the perfect life**

**Of thine eternity. ♪**

### SERMON

HYMN: **VU380** *She Comes Sailing*  
♪ (refrain) **She comes sailing on the wind,  
Her wings flashing in the sun;  
On a journey just begun, she flies on.  
And in the passage of her flight,  
her song rings out through the night,  
Full of laughter, full of light, she flies on.**

**Silent waters rocking on the morning of our  
birth,  
Like an empty cradle waiting to be filled.  
And from the heart of God the Spirit moved  
upon the earth,  
Like a mother breathing life into her child.**

**Many were the dreamers whose eyes were giv-  
en sight  
When the Spirit filled their dreams with life and  
form.**

**Desserts turned to gardens, broken hearts  
found new delight,  
And then down the ages still she flew on. R**

**To a gentle girl in Galilee, a gentle breeze she  
came,  
A whisper softly calling in the dark,  
The promise of a child of peace whose reign  
would never end,  
Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart.**

**Flying to the river, she waited circling high,  
Above the child now grown so full of grace.  
As he rose up from the water, she swept down  
from the sky,  
And she carried him away in her embrace. R ♪**

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Lord hear our Prayer

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

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

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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: *Veni, Creator Spiritus* (Come, Holy  
Ghost, our souls inspire) arr. Wilbur Held

#### Announcements

**Rita Swan**, today is our guest worship leader and preacher. Rita Swan is our Lay representative for Prairie to Pine Region and was our representative for many years with Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Presbytery. From February 2020 to January 2022, she took four online courses/modules for entering the Licensed Lay Ministry. Rita has fulfilled all requirements thus far and is now waiting for the Prairie to Pine Region to set up an interview, which is the final requirement.

**Rev. Karen Lumley** is away 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.

#### 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 Nolan Kehler and our to scripture reader Linda Paul today.

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### Coming Up...

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

Worship @ 10:30am

*Rental—Martha Graham (lounge) @ 1pm*

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 6**

*Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm*

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 7**

*Rental—Chris Donlevy (sanctuary) @ 5pm*

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**

*Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @ 6:30pm*

*Rental—RCS (auditorium) @ 7pm*

#### **FRIDAY, JUNE 10**

*Rental—Kelly Robinson (sanctuary) @ 5:30pm*

### **MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Coralie Standing who is in Grace Hospital

Ross Adamson passed away over the weekend. A funeral will be held for him at Chapel Lawn Funeral Home on Thursday June 9th at 2pm.

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

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.

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

#### **Upcoming Services:**

**Sunday, June 12**—Trinity Sunday, Rev. Dr. Raymond Cuthbert will be our guest preacher. Ray was ordained in Winnipeg in 1979 and in addition to pastoral, served on the World Council of Churches' Central Committee and its Commission of the Churches on International Affairs. He was Moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada from 2004-2006. Prior to retirement, he served 18 years as the founding minister at Broadway Disciples United Church here in Winnipeg. He has recently served as a member of the Full Communion Dialogue Group of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the United Church of Canada. He currently worships at Westworth United Church. Rev. Karen Lumley will be co-leading worship.

**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!

### **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?

**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:**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalms 8

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15



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