

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Today is All Saint's Day, the day we remember, celebrate and honour those who have gone before, the historical saints, the contemporary saints and the saints still living among us. Let us be a people of faith who Live boldly changing our world. Go be a saint!

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

There are many ways to get involved at St. Andrew's. Everyone is welcome so please reach out and step into places that inspire you the most. More details found at http://standrewsriverheights.com/life-work/church-groups/.

The Star Blanket you see in this picture was gifted anonymously to the church. The artist is Shannon MacMartin, who started quilting 7 years ago after she was diagnosed with COPD. She was on oxygen, using a walker, needed something to do so she began quilting. For her, it was something to do that was purposeful and meaningful. She could sit and sew. She bought a sewing machine and began sewing. She says, "Every quilt and every star blanket I make is a labour of love. Star blankets are used in celebrations and memorials. They are gifted to people and are a special gift."

This star blanket is gifted to us, it is given in hope and recognition of our continuing journey of reconciliation. Shannon says, "The Star Blankets are just a way for me to connect with the outside world, as my world is very small being Immunosuppressed and therefore, having to be very careful in this new world we live in. It is truly humbling to know that many people will get to look at this Star Blanket that I have made. Take care."





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: Music for a Sunday morning (Chorale and Aria) Kevin Sadowski Faith of our Fathers (St. Catherine) arr. Lani Smith

CENTERING WORDS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: Written by Catherine Elsdon & Anita Rowland, Gathering Worship 2022 We gather on this Sunday

To remember saints, past and present:

to receive the teachings they have passed down to LIGHTING THE CANDLES

to offer thanksgiving for their legacy of faith. We gather on this Sunday to tell God of our gratitude and

to worship the God of all generations!

We gather on this Sunday

to receive the same stories that generations before us received.

We gather on this Sunday

to seek their wisdom and relevance for us today.

We gather on this Sunday to worship our God.

HYMN: VU872 Give Praise to Our God Give praise to our God and sing a new song, amid all the saints God's praises prolong; a song to your maker and ruler now raise, all children of Zion, rejoice and give praise.

With timbrel and harp and joyful acclaim, with gladness and mirth, we praise your great name:

for now in your people your pleasure you seek, with robes of salvation adorning the meek.

In glory exult, you saints of the Word; with songs in the night high praises accord; go forth in God's service, be strong in God's might

to conquer all evil and stand for the right.

For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail, but over the earth the humble prevail; all the rulers and nations shall yield to their

To God give the glory; sing praises for ave. ♪

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Minute for Stewardship – Greg Fearn 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 with our God.

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: VU264 Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise ♪ Immortal, invisible, God only wise; in light inaccessible hid from our eyes; most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days. almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree.

then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee! ♪

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM: *Hear My Prayer* (words and music by Moses Hogan)

O Lord, please hear my prayer, In the mornin' when I rise. It's Your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer, Keep me safe within Your arms. It's Your servant bound for glory. O dear, Lord, please hear my prayer.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TERRITORY

When my work on earth is done, And You come to take me home. Just to know I'm bound for glory. And to hear You say well done. Done with sing and sorry, have mercy. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Read by Rita Swan

Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

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

SOLO: Paul Forget – *Merciful God* (Largo from Serse)

Merciful God, think on the souls of those who, in faith gone from us in death repose.

SERMON: **VU705** For All the Saints Introduction

For all the saints, who from their labours rest, all who by faith before the world confessed, your name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

St. Andrew-read by Fred Cross

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might:

you were their captain in the well-fought fight; you, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Rt. Rev. Lois Wilson

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one within your great design. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Conclusion

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

through gates of pearl stream in the countless host,

singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Hallelujah, hallelujah!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

We give thanks, O God, for the ordinary saints. Sung response: MV123 Day After Day Day after day, night after night, you speak through everything.

THE LORD'S PRAYER: **VU916** A Translation

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: VU299 Teach Me,

God, to Wonder vs.1

Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see:

let your world of beauty capture me. Praise to you be given, love for you be lived, life be celebrated, joy you give.

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: VU228 Sing Praises to God vs. 4 Sing praises to God! Thanksgiving and song be ever outpoured, all ages along: for love in creation, for hope spread abroad, for grace of salvation, sing praises to God.

POSTLUDE: *Allegro Maestoso* (from 'Water Music Suite') G. F. Handel

Announcements

The RCCO Winnipeg Centre will be hosting a Memorial Evensong on Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 7 pm at Holy Trinity Anglican Church 256 Smith St.

The service will be led by Rev. Tanis Kolisnyk, Rev. Andrew Rampton, the choral ensemble All the Kings Men directed by Charles Horton and various RCCO organists. The lives of Helen Fearn, Duane Gaukel, Margaret Granger, Richard Greig, Karen Mallory, Bruce Mantle, Leonard Perry, Hartley Stinson, Herbert Wildeman and Rev. John Wortley, (friends and members of the RCCO) will be hounoured in this service. All are welcome to attend.

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 today to our singers, to our soloist Paul Forget and to our scripture reader, Rita Swan.

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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Reformation Sunday Worship @ 10:30am

Rental—Virtuosi (sanctuary) @ 12pm auditorium) @ 5pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

Rental—Virtuosi (sanctuary) @ 9am Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Bible study (lounge) @ 9:30am
P&A meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm
Daycare AGM (auditorium) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 2pm
Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @
6:15pm
Rental—River City Sound (auditorium)
@ 7pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Rental—RHS Childcare (lauditorium) @ 4pm Choir @ 7:30pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Remembrance Day Sunday Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Bible study (lounge) @ 9:30am

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 2pm Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @ 6:15pm Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Choir @ 7:30pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Rental—Prairie Voices (sanctuary & auditorium) @ 5pm Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Bible study (lounge) @ 9:30am

<u>Announcements</u>

Remember in prayer:

Holly McHaffie's father in Ottawa has covid and is in the hospital there.

Upcoming Services:

- Sunday, October 30 is All Saint's Day Sunday
- Sunday, November 6 is our Remembrance Day Service.
 We will be remembering Herb Belyea. If anyone is able to be willing to lay the wreath, please let the office or Karen Lumley know.
- Sunday, November 13 is "Let's Talk Church", with lunch after church

Upcoming Celebrations of Life:

 Service of Celebration for Norma Ferguson, Thursday, November 10th at 11:00am with a reception to follow

Rev. Karen Lumley will be on Study Leave from Wednesday, November 16th to Thursday, November 24th. She will be planning and preparing Christmas Eve Services, Family Service, Communion and her parts in the Lessons and Carols.

Joan Stevenson is the new Meals on Wheels volunteer coordinator. We thank her for taking on this responsibility.

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Donations are always accepted either through your weekly giving envelopes, the weekly worship offering, through Etransfer 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?

Gifts With Vision catalogues are available at the back of the church for pickup. It is a giving catalogue that is full of gifts that will transform people's lives throughout Canada and the world. Christmas gift-giving is easy and purposeful when you share the gift with someone in need. Supported by Mission & Service-United Church of Canada.

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 breakfast program.

Scripture Readings for Next week

Haggai 1:15b—2:9 or Job 19:23–27a Psalm 145:1–5, 17–21 or Psalm 98 or Psalm 17:1–9 *2 Thessalonians 2:1–5, 13–17 Luke 20:27–38

