

Baptism



Sunday, October 9, 2022



Thanksgiving is the act of giving thanks. It is a grateful acknowledgement of benefits or favours, especially to God. Thanksgiving is a time to acknowledge God's kindness and goodness to us. It is a day set apart for giving thanks to God and as a faith community, we have a lot to be thankful for. This Thanksgiving, remember God's goodness to us all, especially in the sacrament of baptism we celebrate today.

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/>.

Postlude and Clapping

Over the past few years it has become customary, some will call it obligatory, to clap for the Postlude. As organist I appreciate the sentiment of support and gratitude this gesture extends while at the same time asking the question - is it worshipful? There are moments in our worship which seem to demand a response - applause or 'Amen'. Sometimes that response happens, other times there is an awkwardness that 'hangs in the air'. I wonder if the applause which seems directed at the Postlude is actually an affirmation of everything that we have experienced during the service, like a communal gesture of gratitude for all our blessings. This seems appropriate to me.

At any rate I believe the perceived need to applaud after the Postlude has become awkward. I would like to suggest that we agree to refrain from clapping. I will not be insulted. In fact I will be relieved that I no longer need to measure noise level as a judgment of the quality of my choice or my performance. To me it is enough that you take the time to listen to my offerings of music as part of our worship, and I expect nothing more.

I welcome further discussion of the matter. As ever I am happy to serve with the congregation in expressing our worship together.

Soli Deo Gloria - to God alone be the glory. *Wes Elias*



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: *Thanksgiving* (based on “*We gather together*” and “*Now thank we all our God*”) Charles Callahan

Harvest-Home (based on “*Come you thankful people, come*”) Richard Lloyd

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

CENTERING WORDS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP:

God is good! **Alleluia!**

HYMN: **VU516** *Come Ye Thankful People Come*
♪ **Come, you thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home!**
all is safely gathered in, safe before the storms begin;
God, our maker, does provide for our needs to be supplied:
come to God’s own temple. Come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God’s own field, harvests for God’s praise to yield;
wheat and weeds together sown, here for joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:
Harvest giver, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For our God, one day, shall come, and shall take this harvest home;
from the field shall in that day all offences purge away;
giving angels charge at last in the fire the weeds to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store in the garner evermore.

Even so, God quickly come to your final harvest home!
Gather all your people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
there forever purified, in your presence to abide:
come, with all your angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home. ♪

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TERRITORY

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: **VU820** *Make a Joyful Noise*
♪ (Refrain) **Make a joyful noise all the earth!**
Worship your God with gladness.
Make a joyful noise all the earth.
Come to this place with a song!

Know that your God has made you.
Know it’s to God we belong.
And come to this place with joyfulness and praise.
Worship your God with a song! R

Enter these gates, thanksgiving.
Enter these courts with praise.
Sing thanks to your God and bless the holy Name.
Worship your God with a song! R

Ages through endless ages,
seasons of endless years,
the love of our Maker ever shall endure.
Worship your God with a song! R ♪

CHILDREN’S TIME

ANTHEM: *Gifts From God* (text: J. Paul Williams, music: David Lantz III)
Sun and moon, wind and rain,
Valleys, hills, and rolling plains,
Desert sand, forest grand;
These are gifts from God.

Rivers, lakes, sparkling streams,
Bright sunlight and dark moon beams,
Canyon steep and ocean deep;
These are gifts from God.

These are gifts from God,
From whom all blessings flow.
These are gifts from God,
Our gratitude we owe.

Winter chill, summer breeze,
Springtime bloom and autumn leaves,

Stars at night, birds in flight;
These are gifts from God.

Ripened grain, budding flower,
Falling snowflake, gentle shower,
Morning dew and rainbow hue;
These are gifts from God.

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
Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

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. ♪

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 today to our singers, guest flautist, Anna Torquato and to our scripture reader, Diane Bewell.

We thank you God.
Sung response: **MV123** *Day After Day*
Day after day, night after night,
you speak through everything.

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

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: *Choral-Improvisation on "Now thank we all our God"* Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Announcements

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism.
Boston Zachary Manabat-Fewings is being baptized.

His parents are
Kevin & Derrick Manabat-Fewings

His Godparents are:

Crystal Da Silva,
Darren Fewings,
Idrey Gutierrez,
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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

Thanksgiving Sunday worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Worship meeting (lounge) @ 1:30pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

Organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 2pm

Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @

6:15pm

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium)

@ 7pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

Choir @ 7:30pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Rental—Winnipeg Boy's Choir

(auditorium) @ 12:30pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

World Food Sunday Worship @

10:30am

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Council meeting (board room) @

7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Rental—Morgan Gregory (sanctuary & lounge) @ 9am

Organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 2pm

Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @

6:15pm

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium)

@ 7pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Choir @ 7:30pm

Announcements

Water pourers:

William, Harrison, Hailey and Mackenzie

Remember in prayer:

Aaron Chiu and his family in the passing of his father on Monday, October 3rd.

Gladys Mildren, Gail Mildren and Fred Cross in the passing of a husband, father and father-in-law Walter Mildren on Wednesday, September 28th. Service to be announced later.

Sunday, October 16 we will be having a guest preacher- Rev. Ken Delisle

Ken DeLisle is a retired Diaconal minister and has served in 4 Conferences over the years as an Intentional Interim.

He was married to Rev. John Robertson, who passed away suddenly this past year and they fostered 8 teenagers.

He is a member of Rainbow Harmony Choir and occasionally appears as Crystal Clear or other female characters.

Ken last served at Prairie Spirit, here in Winnipeg. His current anthem that keeps him going is, How Can I Keep From Singing?

Upcoming Celebrations of Life

Luella Rutledge's service is at Chapel Lawn on October 11th, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Peggy Phillips' service is at St. Andrew's on October 12th, 2022, at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.

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?

Robert Graham's service is to be held at 603 Wellington Crescent at the Unitarian Church on October 12th, 2022, at 2:00 pm.

Mary Campbell's service will be at St. Andrew's on October 29th, 2022, at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.

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

Jeremiah 31:27–34
or Genesis 32:22–31
Psalm 119:97–104
or Psalm 121
2 Timothy 3:14–4:5
Luke 18:1–8



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