



Sunday, June 11, 2023



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 site to behold the Spirit descending upon the disciples. That same Spirit is available to us as Christians to teach us and to empower us to continue the work of the disciples and of Christ. Pentecost Sunday is May 28th, and the season of Pentecost lasts until December 3rd 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

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/>.

ANNA BLAIR CIRCLE: Monthly functions that are social in nature and promote fellowship and camaraderie.

BIBLE STUDY: We meet Tuesday mornings at 9:30am in the Lounge. Drop in anytime! Contact klumley@standrewsriverheights.com

BOOK CLUB: We are a group of book lovers who meet Wednesday afternoons, every 5-7 weeks. Anyone is welcome! [Ruth - mckenzieqrst@shaw.ca](mailto:Ruth-mckenzieqrst@shaw.ca)

OUTREACH: Social justice in our community and beyond. We meet on an 'as needs basis'.

PRAYER/BAPTISM SHAWLS: Do you love to knit? If so, we could use your talents.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Teachers are always needed. Contact Jan Demeduk to volunteer at j.demeduk@hotmail.com

ST. ANDREW'S MUSIC: Love to sing? Our senior choir meets Thursday evenings and welcomes new members! Choir Director—music@standrewsriverheights.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are always looking for volunteers to help out with events, fundraising, outreach, Sunday morning coffee & tea. If you are interested, email the church office at office@standrewsriverheights.com.

Upcoming services:

Sunday, June 11th Rita Swan, our Lay Worship Leader, will be leading worship.



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: *Prière and Cantilène from Quatre Pièces en forme de Messe*

Denis Bédard

WELCOME

HYMN: **VU580** *Faith of Fathers*

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TERRITORY: *Prairie Spirit United Church*

For thousands of years, Indigenous peoples have walked on this land.

The relationship with the land is at the center of our lives.

We acknowledge the first peoples and their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. The land we worship and live on is part of Treaty 1.

Our water comes from Treaty 3 and our hydro from Treaty 5 territories.

We acknowledge errors made in the past by those arriving from other lands and we pledge to work towards the right relationships with all First Nations peoples.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: *(from Worship Blogspot for Psalm 33)*

The eyes of the Lord are on those who fear Him,

on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.

We wait in hope for the Lord;

He is our help and our shield.

Our hearts rejoice,

for we trust in His Holy name.

May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord.

for we put our trust in you.

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: **VU635** *All the Way My Saviour Leads Me*

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, many times you have asked us to dream impossible dreams.

Forgive us, O God, if we never get beyond your call on our lives and look at those calls as unwelcome interruptions.

Faithful God, the apostle Paul has written of complete trust & faith in your promises.

Forgive us, O God, when we find it hard to hear these promises; to trust.

Merciful God, Jesus revealed the great depths of your love when defeating evil; giving us life.

Forgive us, O God, when we allow the power of evil to flourish because we fear it is too costly an exercise to take up one's cross.

Gracious and loving God, we ask for forgiveness in our lack of trust.

Have mercy on us and forgive us.

Help us when we might hesitate and strengthen us when we are weak.

Breathe your spirit into our hearts and minds, our lives, so that we may have courage to follow Jesus wherever He leads.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SOLO: Katy Harmer – *I stood on the River of Jordan*

I stood on the river of Jordan,
to see that ship come sailin' over,
Stood on the river of Jordan,
To see that ship sail by.

Oh, mourner don't you weep!
When you see that ship come sailin' over,
Oh, mourner don't you weep!
When you see that ship sail by.

O sister yo' better be ready,
To see that ship come sailin' over,
Brother, you better be ready,
To see that ship sail by.

Oh, mourner don't you weep,
When you see that ship come sailin' over,
Shout Glory Hallelujah!
When you see that ship sail by.
I stood on the river of Jordan!

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Read by Derek Morphy
Responsive Psalm: **VU760** Psalm 33
Reading: Romans 4:13-25
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

HYMN: **VU271** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:
We believe you can do miracles.
Sung response: **VU949** *Grant to Us*
**Grant to us, O God, a heart renewed;
speak to us a fresh forgiving word.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: **VU542** *We Give You But Your Own*
**We give you but your own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is yours alone,
we give it gratefully.**

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 singers, soloist, Katy Harmer and our scripture reader, Derek Morphy.

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **VU374** *Come and Find the Quiet Centre* vs.3

**In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!**

POSTLUDE: *Arabesque on "Great is Thy Faithfulness"* John G. Barr

Announcements

Rita Swan is our Lay representative for Prairie to Pine Region and was our representative for many years with Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Presbytery. She was raised on a farm just outside of Warren, MB in the Interlake area. Rita was married here in St. Andrew's to her husband John 43 years ago this month. They lived in Thunder Bay for 11 years where their 3 beautiful daughters were born. Two of those daughters have blessed them with 5 grandchildren - 3 girls & 2 boys. Rita became a Licensed Lay Worship Leader as of December, 2022.

Rev. Karen Lumley is on Study Leave from Monday, June 5th until Monday, June 12th. Karen will be working on planning worship for the fall.

Jack Palmer, a member of our church, passed away last week. Remember his family in your prayers.

Blue Jean Sunday School for the month of June. The children will be having activities at the school during church. Fun-filled times of celebrating the warmth of summer days!

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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Worship @ 10:30am

Rental—Nathan Poole (sanctuary) @ 2pm

Rental—Judy Oatway (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

MONDAY, JUNE 12

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

Rental—Holly Harris (sanctuary) @ 3:15pm

Rental—Erica Schultz (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Rental—Graeme Leaver (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

Council meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, JUNE 26

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

Rental—Allison Ferley (sanctuary)

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

Rental—Raymond Ding (sanctuary) @ 7pm

SUNDAY, JULY 2

Worship @ 10:30am

MONDAY, JULY 3

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JULY 4

Rental—Prairie Saxophone Initiative (sanctuary) @ 6pm

P&A meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

FRIDAY, JULY 7

Rental—Jane Male (sanctuary) @ 11am

SUNDAY, JULY 9

Announcements

John Standing Music Endowment Award:

A new Music Bursary Program is being implemented at St. Andrew's. It will provide an annual \$500 award to support the development of musical talent within our Church community. You, or a family member, may be considering lessons in a particular musical instrument, maybe taking voice lessons, or even something like attending a summer music camp or joining a community choir. For access to the submission form, visit our website or email the office. Please note that the deadline for submitting an application is Friday, June 16.

If you have further questions about the Bursary Program, feel free to contact one of the Bursary

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?

Committee members – Glenn Neufeld, Katy Harmer, Wes Elias or Laura Regier.

This summer, we will be partnering with Westworth United Church. Westworth will be joining us in July. We will join Westworth in August and for the long weekend in September.

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:

Genesis 18:1–15 (21:1–7)
Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19
Exodus 19:2–8a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:1–8
Matthew 9:35–10:8 (9–23)



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