

# Sunday, June 18, 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 - mckenziegrst@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 18 - Fathering Sunday

Sunday, June 25 - Indigenous Day of Prayer Service



**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: Improvisations on two hymn tunes -Paul Manz Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus Jesus, Lead Thou On

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT: United Church Worship Resources 2023

We begin this time of worship by acknowledging that we are meeting on the land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Dakota peoples and in the heart of the Metis Nation. This land has been inhabited by Indigenous peoples from the beginning. We thank all the generations of Indigenous people who have taken care of this land and been its stewards for thousands of years. We also recognize the con- Was Christen wahren Ruhm und rechte Ehre gibet, tributions of the Inuit and other Indigenous peoples who have helped to shape this region, provinces, and Canada as a whole. We give thanks for the countless ways they have assisted the settler peoples who came to inhabit the land. May the Creator hold us gently in this time of hope, healing, and reconciliation as we journey together on this land.

WELCOME /ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: VU639 One More Step Along the World I Go vs. 1. 2. 4 & 5

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:

**GATHERING PRAYER** 

HYMN: VU507 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Forgive us, O God, when we do not follow your ways.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SOLO: Nolan Kehler - "Die Welt sucht Ehr und Ruhm" from Bach's BWV 94, Was fragt ich nach der Welt. English translation by Pamela Dellal Die Welt sucht Ehr und Ruhm Bei hocherhabnen Leuten. Ein Stolzer baut die prächtigsten Paläste, Er sucht das höchste Ehrenamt, Er kleidet sich aufs beste

In Purpur, Gold, in Silber, Seid und Samt. Sein Name soll für allen In jedem Teil der Welt erschallen. Sein Hochmuts-Turm Soll durch die Luft bis an die Wolken dringen, Er trachtet nur nach hohen Dingen Und denkt nicht einmal dran, Wie bald doch diese gleiten. Oft bläset eine schale Luft Den stolzen Leib auf einmal in die Gruft, Und da verschwindet alle Pracht. Wormit der arme Erdenwurm Hier in der Welt so grossen Staat gemacht. Ach! solcher eitler Tand Wird weit von mir aus meiner Brust verbannt. Dies aber, was mein Herz Vor anderm rühmlich hält, Und was mein Geist, Der sich der Eitelkeit entreißt, Anstatt der Pracht und Hoffart liebet, Ist Jesus nur allein. Und dieser solls auch ewig sein. Gesetzt, daß mich die Welt Darum vor töricht hält: Was frag ich nach der Welt!

The world seeks honor and glory among highly exalted people. A proud man builds the most opulent palaces, he seeks the highest post of honor, he dresses himself with the best in purple, gold, in silver, silk and velvet. His name shall resound before everyone in every part of the world. His tower of arrogance shall press upward through the air to the clouds, he is occupied only with the highest matters and never thinks once how quickly all these pass away. Often a hollow wind blows the proud body at once into the grave, and there all glories disappear, with which the poor earthworm had made so great a position in the world. Alas! Such vain toys shall be banished from my breast. This however, that my heart considers glorious above all else. which Christians rightfully honor and truly praise, and what my spirit,

torn away from vanity,

Granted, that the world

is Jesus alone.

loves instead of glory and fame,

considers me a fool because of it:

what should I ask of the world!

and this shall be forever.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Read by Ruth McKenzie

Proverbs 6:20-22 Proverbs 23:22-26 Matthew 7:7-11

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

#### **SERMON**

HYMN: MV212 Sent Out in Jesus' Name

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: We pray for our fathers. 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: VU916 A Translation Our Father-Mother, who is in the heavens, May your name be made holy, May your dominion come, May your will be done. On earth as it is in heaven. Give us today the bread we need; And forgive us our debts, As we have forgiven our debtors; And do not put us to the test. But rescue us from evil. For yours is the dominion, and the power, And the glory forever. Amen.

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.

BLESSING: (Posted on Worship Words for Father's Dav)

Go forth, as God's beloved children.

God's love surrounds us like a parent's love. Go in the knowledge of God's comfort and protec-

can be.

Go in God's grace.

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, and our scripture reader, Ruth McKenzie.

# We go to share the love of God with all we meet!

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: Prelude in Classic Style - Gordon Young

# **Announcements**

Jack Palmer, a member of our church, passed away two weeks ago. Remember his family in your prayers.

As many of the Fellowship Interest Group are away during the summer, we will not be preparing refreshments for after the service from July 2 to September 3.

We require volunteers to prepare refreshments for the 5 Sundays in July. There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary if you can prepare refreshments for one of these weeks. If you require any information on what is required, please contact Betty Jubinville. The Fellowship Interest Groups would like to thank you for your continued support.

Thank you to all who supplied cookies and served at our Regional Gathering at Meadowood Jun 1st-4th.

Remember Rita Swan, Lay Worship Leader, who will be leading worship at Windsor Park United Church Sunday, June 25th.

Blue Jean Sunday School for the month of June. God's strength empowers us to be the best we 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 18** 

Worship @ 10:30am

# **MONDAY, JUNE 19**

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

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

# **TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

Rental—SummerChör (sanctuary) @

Council meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

# **WEDNESDAY. JUNE 21**

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) MONDAY, JULY 24 @ 7pm

# **SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

Worship @ 10:30am

# **MONDAY, JUNE 26**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

# 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

#### FRIDAY, JULY 7

Rental—Jane Male (sanctuary) @ 11am

# **SUNDAY, JULY 9**

Worship @ 10:30am

## **MONDAY, JULY 10**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

# **SUNDAY, JULY 16**

Worship @ 10:30am Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

## **MONDAY, JULY 17**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

# **SUNDAY, JULY 23**

Worship @ 10:30am Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

Rental—Joel Ledlow Summer Camp (auditorium) @ 9am Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

## **TUESDAY, JULY 25**

Rental—Joel Ledlow Summer Camp (auditorium) @ 9am

# **WEDNESDAY, JULY 26**

## **Announcements**

Moose Hide Campaign is an Indigenous-led grassroots movement of men and boys-and all Canadians-who are standing up against violence towards women and children. Wearing this moose hide signifies your commitment to honour, respect, and protect women and children in your life and to work together to end violence against women and children, and all those along the gender continuum. Help spread the Moose Hide Campaign by sharing with your family, communities, and organizations. The pins are available at the back of the church and by Karen's office. share them with family and friends. For more information contact: https://

moosehidecampaign.ca/

#### YOUR GIFTS MATTER.

Get the benefits of a Tax Receipt for your Donation! Let us know who you are and sign up for PAR. Preauthorized 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 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?

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.

# August 1st to September 4th

Rev. Karen Lumley is on holiday. If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Rev. Tricia Gerhard by phone or text at 431-294-3149. call Westworth at the church office at 204-489-6974, or email at Westworth minister@westworth.ca

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:

Psalm 98

Ephesians 2:14-22

