

Who Will Separate Us from God's Love?

Sunday, July 30, 2023



Summer is a time to be! A time to relax. A time to rest! A time to be with family and friends.

Summer is a time to celebrate! Weddings, friends, family and yes, even Church.

We are glad you chose to be here today or join us online. If you are from Westworth United Church, we are glad to be partnering with you again this summer. It is good to have services together. Actually, it is great! If you are visiting or new to River Heights feel free to come anytime! Come relaxed in shorts and a T-shirt. Be comfortable! Let's all connect! Let's all be together and just be!

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.

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.

We want to give a big warm welcome to Westworth!



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: Priere a Notre Dame (from Suite Gothique) Leon Boellmann
Marlon Goolcharan, organist

WELCOME

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT: *Written by Peter Chynoweth, Cochrane, Alberta, Gathering Resources for Worship Planners, 2023*

People have lived on this land for thousands upon thousands of years. This land on which we gather is the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota peoples, Inuit and the Metis Nation. We worship the Creator on this land and acknowledge with respect the thousands of years of ceremony, and relationship that are etched in footprint, fire, and faithfulness on the soil and rock that surrounds us.

HYMN: **VU412** *This Is the Day*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: *Prayers to Share by David Sparks, Year A.*

O God, you have been with your people in times past.

Guiding Moses, instructing the prophets, finding your voice in Jesus, you have been the secure presence for all generations before this one.

O God, you are with your people of this generation,

giving them purpose, inspiration, and a faith community to share.

O God, you will be with your people in the generations that are to come;

providing a message of hope and certainty amidst the shifting forces, and a love that will not let people go in time or in eternity.

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: **VU670** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Prayers to Share by David Sparks, Year A.*

What can separate us from the love of Christ?

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SOLO: Lorenz Sarrondo – *Prayer* (Ludwig Van Beethoven Op. 48)

O God, Thy goodness reach-eth so far,
as far as clouds above us.

Thy tender mercies crown our days
and quickly show that Thou dost love us.

O Lord, my rock, my fortress strong.
Hear Thou my prayer which I prolong.
As I now bow before Thee,
as I now bow before Thee.

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:26-39 read by Earl Gould

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

SERMON

HYMN: **VU374** *Come and Find the Quiet Centre*
vs. 1 & 2

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

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.**

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: *Toccata* Flor Peeters

Announcements

From 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 204-489-6974, or email at Westworth_minister@westworth.ca

Remember those in care facilities:

- Ed Lozowy & Margaret Follett -Tuxedo Villa
- Bob McKibbin & Ian Morrow-The Parkway
- Nancy Parhill & David Bergman-Sterling House

Rita Swan, Lay Worship Leader, is leading worship;

-Sunday, July 30th at Knox United in Oakville, Manitoba

-Sunday, August 13th at Windsor Park United Church

-Sunday, August 27th at McClure United Church.

Remember her in your prayers.

Join Westworth next week and welcome their new minister Rev. Tricia Gerhardt.

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Volunteers will be needed to help set up for Celebration Sunday on Sunday morning Sept. 10. Come at 9:30am and help us as we get ready for our new Church Year. Thank you so much!

During the month of August, the office will be closed.

Charlotte will still monitor her email periodically, but won't be able to return voicemails due to being overseas.

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 32:22–31

Psalms 17:1–7, 15

Isaiah 55:1–5

Psalms 145:8–9, 14–21

Romans 9:1–5

Matthew 14:13–21

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, Lorenz Sarrondo and our scripture reader, Earl Gould. Thank you to organist Marlon Goolcharan

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Coming Up...

SUNDAY, JULY 30

Worship @ 10:30am

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

MONDAY, JULY 31

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

Rental—Charmaine Bacon
(sanctuary) @ 6pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

Rental—Joel Ledlow Summer Camp
(auditorium) @ 9am
Rental—River City Sound (auditorium)
@ 7m

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

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.



Stewardship
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In a generous act of hospitality, God invites us into ministry. How shall we then respond?

WESTWORTH UNITED CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO
2023
SUMMER VBS
AUGUST 28-SEPTEMBER 1
GOD IS LOVE
REGISTER ONLINE VIA QR CODE:

Email churchschool@westworth.ca or call 204-489-6974 ext 20 with any questions
Sunday School to follow in the fall
1750 Grosvenor Ave

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church
CARNIVAL
Sunday September 10
255 Oak St.
Outdoor Service 10:30 am
Carnival 11:00 am
BBQ 11:30 am
Games
Bouncy
Chips
Hotdogs
drinks
Icecream Sundaes
Come join in on the fun



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