

# Happy Anniversary!

Sunday, June 9, 2024



Today is our service of Celebration of the 99th Anniversary of The United Church of Canada. We are on the eve of turning 100 in 2025. We celebrate 100 years of being Deep, Bold, and Daring which we carry into the days ahead. Today we honour the past, reflect on the present and look forward with hope and anticipation to our future.

## 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.

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 on our website.

## FIND YOUR PLACE

**WASHROOMS:** A wheelchair-accessible and gender-neutral bathroom is located in the hallway North of the lower auditorium. It can be accessed by the elevator near the office or any of the stairways and is available to all 24 / 7. The Childcare and Nursery have full and exclusive use of the washrooms in the lower hallway Monday to Friday 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. The use of the lower Narthex washrooms is for church use 24 / 7 plus the lower hallway washrooms may be used by all on evenings and weekends when the childcare and nursery are closed.

**Come join us for a walk** to enjoy God's beautiful creation on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. We will begin at the church, proceed to Academy Avenue, pick up coffee or drinks and go to the former site of the Residential School at 615 Academy to sit and reflect at the Memorial site. Then we will proceed back to the church. The walk is about 3 kilometers and all are welcome to attend. Please sign up for the walk at the back of the church or call into the office. Come whether you have signed up or not.

**Blue Jean Sundays** for Sunday School for the month of June. Come dressed casually and be prepared to go outside to discover God's wonderful creation, weather permitting.

### Remember in prayer:

Robert & Kathy Maxwell, in the passing of their father, Ian Maxwell, two weeks ago.  
Gladys Mildren, who is in the hospital.

Make sure to subscribe to our weekly eblast to know what is happening in the Church community!

<https://standrewsriverheights.com/news-4/newsletter/>



**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.

## **99<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the UCC**

*A Service in Celebration of the 99<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The United Church of Canada as We Prepare to Turn 100 -A Resource of the United Church of Canada)*

GATHERING MUSIC: *Variations on "Nearer, My God, to Thee"* Denis Bédard

WELCOME & WORK OF THE CHURCH

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT: *(Adapted from Gathering Worship Resources)*

**We acknowledge this land on which St. Andrew's River Heights United Church gathers is Treaty 1 land, The traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Dakota peoples in the heart of the Metis Nation. We acknowledge the Inuit and all peoples of this great Land on Turtle Island and their ancestors. Today, this meeting place is still the home of many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.**

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: Read by Fred Cross & Linda Paul

**We give thanks to God for the blessings of past, present, and future, and dare to plant these seeds of faith anew!**

HYMN: **VU371** *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: **VU589** *Lord, Speak to Me*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Let us make room for love.**

BUILDING OF THE CAIRN:

**Gracious God, allow the fields of our hearts and lives to be gardens of your new hope and love. All of this we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

**Thanks be to God.**

SOLO: Shea Carter - *We Walk with God* (words and music, Mary E. Caldwell)

We place our hands in thine, dear Lord,  
To walk serene where thou art nigh.  
We see thy face, where beauty shines  
In rainbow hue or starlit sky.

We hear thy voice in murmuring rain,  
We know thy strength in forest broad,  
Where tall trees in solemn majesty  
Point leafy fingertips to God.

We give our hearts to thee, dear Lord.  
May we by faith come near to thee.  
We place our trust in thee, dear Lord,  
Keep thou the mind and spirit free.

We know thy world is wondrous fair.  
We pray that peace may keep it so.  
Touch thou our lives with thy great love!  
Then shall each face thy beauty show.

SCRIPTURE READING: John 12:20-28 read by Derek Morphy  
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

HYMN: **VU595** *We Are Pilgrims*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: **VU537** *Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands*  
♪ **Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere,  
and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.  
Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make:  
be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.** ♪

CALL TO ACTION

BLESSING:  
**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

BENEDICTION: **MV212** *Sent Out in Jesus' Name*  
♪ **Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now  
To make the world the place in which the kingdom comes.  
Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now  
To make the world the place in which the kingdom comes.**

**The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain  
Into a world of love, of justice and of peace.  
The task is ours to do, to set it really free.  
O, help us to obey, and carry out your will!** ♪

POSTLUDE: *Postlude in the 18th century style* Eric Thiman

### Announcements

#### **Scripture Readings for next week:**

1 Samuel 15:34—16:13, Psalm 20, Ezekiel 17:22–24, Psalm 92: 1–4, 12–15,

2 Corinthians 5:6–10, (11–13), 14–17, \*Mark 4:26–34

\* This reading is the preaching text

### 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. Thank you to our singers, soloist, Shea Carter, and our scripture reader, Derek Morphy. Thank you to our guest organist, Linda Fearn. Thank you to our readers, Linda Paul and Fred Cross.

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**Niigaan Sinclair** is an Indigenous speaker, columnist, and professor at the University of Manitoba. He will be our guest speaker on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Coffee and Bannock will be served after church for a time of questions and conversation with Niigaan Sinclair. Mark the date on your calendar.

### Summer Services

- June 30, July 7, 14, 21 & 28 we worship with Westworth at Westworth United Church.  
*Note: Westworth's services will not be live-streamed or recorded during the summer. Please attend in person, their services start at 10:45am.*
- August 4, 11, 18, 25 & September 1 Westworth worships with us at St. Andrew's United Church.

### Coming Up...

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 10**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12**

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:10pm

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 13**

RHS Yoga (lounge) @ 10am  
Rental—Claudette Caron (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 17**

Rental—Graeme Leaver (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm  
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **TUESDAY JUNE 18**

RHS yoga (lounge) @ 2:30pm  
Council meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19**

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 20**

Rental—Raymond Ding (sanctuary) @ 1:30pm

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 23**

Rental—Erica Schultz (sanctuary)

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 24**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 25**

Rental—Matthew Robinson (sanctuary) @ 6pm

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26**

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 7pm

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 30**

Worship at Westworth @ 10:45am

#### **MONDAY, JULY 1**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 7**

Worship at Westworth @ 10:45am

#### **MONDAY, JULY 8**

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 11**

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6pm

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 13**

Rental—Jane Male (sanctuary) @ 10:30am

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 14**

### 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?

Worship at Westworth @ 10:45am

#### **MONDAY, JULY 15**

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6pm  
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 18**

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6pm

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 21**

Worship at Westworth @ 10:45am

#### **MONDAY, JULY 22**

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6pm  
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

#### **THURSDAY, JULY 25**

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 6pm

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 28**

Worship at Westworth @ 10:45am

