



TRUST IN GOD

Sunday, July 6, 2025



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 sight 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 Christ. Pentecost was on June 8th, and the season of Pentecost lasts until November 30th, 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 trans-
formed 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.

A special welcome to Westworth United Church, who are worshipping with us for the next 4 Sundays as part of our partnership. In August and the first week of September, we worship with Westworth at their church.

It's summertime; dress casually and comfortably for church

Packages for the children are available at the back of the church. You can ask the ushers and greeters if you did not receive them when you came in.

Rev. Karen Lumley will be on Study Leave from July 9th to 15th. She will be celebrating her 20th Wedding Anniversary.

Make sure to subscribe to our weekly Online newsletter 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.

Worrying/Trust in God

GATHERING MUSIC: *Be still my soul* (Finlandia) arr. Robert Hobby

WELCOME

WORK OF THE CHURCH

CENTERING WORDS

HYMN: **VU260** *God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness*

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: All are welcome here. Whether you are heavy-hearted, worried or wondering if there is power to make you well, or you feel weighed down by great demands,

Don't worry, God is present in this place.

Whether you are burdened by rules others have imposed or you are a keeper and maker of the rules,

Don't worry, God is present in this place.

Whether you feel at home in this place or you long to be accepted.

Don't worry, God is present in this place.

Come and worship God, the One who knows our names and dares us to become new creations in Jesus.

Don't worry, God is present in this place.

PASSING THE PEACE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: **VU356** *Seek Ye First the Kingdom*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *The Abingdon Worship Annual, 2013, adapted.*

Gracious God, we come to you lost in our anguish.

We are beset by fears and worry, concerned with the things of this world.

Our faith wavers when our leaders seem to love war more than they value peace. Our courage fails.

We cling to the wisdom of this world rather than your truth and righteousness.

Merciful God, we ask for your forgiveness.

Restore our faith and forgive our unbelief.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 6:25-34 read by Kathy Wilson

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

SOLO: Charlton Turcotte - *Come Unto Him* (text, Frederick H. Martens; music, James P. Dunn)

All ye who wander, wearied and distressed,
All ye whose souls are sad and care-oppressed,
All ye who dread the falling of the night,
Come unto him who love, makes all things right.

All ye who mourn, whose grief is unconsoled,
All ye whose tale of tears is never told,
All ye whose ills, no human help can cure,
Come unto him whose loving aid is sure.

All ye who dwell in fear of what may be,
All ye who dare not voice afflictions plea,
All ye who anguish, hopeless in your sin,
Come unto him whose love will take ye in.

SERMON

HYMN: **VU361** *Small Things Count*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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: *Little litanies of Jesus*
Gabriel Grovlez

OFFERING/OFFERTORY SUNG RESPONSE:

MV182 *Grateful* (refrain)

♪ **Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing
over all, O God of Love.**

**Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you. ♪**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **MV214** *May God's Sheltering Wings*

♪ **May God's sheltering wings,
her gathering wings protect you
May God's nurturing arms,
her cradling arms sustain you,
and hold you in her love,
and hold you in her love. ♪**

POSTLUDE: *If you will trust in God to guide you*
J.S. Bach

Announcements

Rev. Jeff Cook will be our guest preacher next Sunday, July 13th.

Remember in prayer Keith and Kathy Strachan (Standing) and family in the recent passing of James Strachan, United Church Minister, father, and father-in-law.

The recording of the Sunday morning services will take a summer break from Sunday, June 29, to September 7th. Thank you, Fred, for your faithful service of recording and editing all year long.

During the month of July, the office works under reduced hours:

-Tuesdays 9am-12pm

-Wednesdays 9am-3pm

-Thursdays 9am-3pm

These are the hours the office will be physically open.

Walks on Tuesdays with Westworth continue every week at 1pm. If you would like to be informed about the routes of these walks and would like to have your email provided to the organizers, please let the church office know.

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, Charlton Turcotte, and our scripture reader, Kathy Wilson.

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Rev. Jeff Cook retired in 2023 after 39 years in ministry. Jeff served four years in Saskatchewan Conference, then served 35 years in team ministry with Rev. Carol Fletcher at Transcona Memorial United Church. Jeff and the Rev. Walter Farquharson co-authored the book “An Audacious Invitation: A Reflection on the Gospel According to John.” Jeff was a nominee for Moderator in 2012. He enjoys writing, sketching, and reading, and has been learning to play the Bodhran (the Irish flat drum).

Coming Up...

MONDAY, JULY 7

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, JULY 14

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, JULY 15

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 5pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

MONDAY, JULY 21

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

MONDAY, JULY 28

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

THURSDAY, JULY 31

Rental—Jan van der Hooft (sanctuary) @ 1pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

Rental—Charmaine Bacon (sanctuary) @ 5pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Wes organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 10am

Worship meeting (board room) @ 1:30pm

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:30pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Wes organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 10am

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

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.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:30pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Wes organ lessons (sanctuary) @ 10am

Council meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Rental—RieSound (sanctuary) @ 6pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

