

Sunday, November 2, 2025



Today is All Saints Day, the day we remember, celebrate and honour those who have gone before, the historical saints, the contemporary saints and saints still living among us. Let us be a people of faith who live boldly changing our world. Go be a saint!

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.

Stained-Glass Windows Special fundraising appeal

Some of you may have noticed that the three large stained-glass windows at the front of the sanctuary are often dark. This is because the floodlights that were used to light the windows from outside have succumbed to the elements after many years of providing extra beauty to our chancel.

The cost to replace the floodlights runs to \$4500. This expense is outside the church budget for this year. Council has approved a special appeal to the congregation to raise the funds in the hope that the lights might be replaced for Christmas.

We are making this appeal today with the hope that you will give prayerful consideration to making a special donation for this project.

We thank you in advance for your generosity.

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.

All Saints Day

GATHERING MUSIC: GATHERING MUSIC: Andante and Moderato (from Sonata for Flute and Harpsichord) Leonardo Vinci

Holy, holy, holy (Nicaea) arr. John Marsh

WELCOME & WORK OF THE CHURCH

CENTERING WORDS

HYMN: VU315 Holy, Holy, Holy

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: <u>Gathering, Resources for Worship Leaders</u>, Pentecost 2025, written by Tony Tuck, pg. 46.

Let us remember:

Those throughout history who have led in praising God and spreading the good news.

Let us remember:

The warm embrace of loved ones, those who have comforted us over time, those who have acted fearless in times of despair and devastation.

Let us remember:

The strength and love of elders, the lasting presence of friends, the kindness of strangers, the laughter of children, and the unconditional love of those who have offered it.

On this All Saints Day, let us remember:

The love of Jesus, the wonder of the Holy Spirit, and the abiding presence of God.

Let us remember as we worship today.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: VU707 For the Faithful Who Have Answered

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: <u>Worship for All Ages</u>, edited by Ian Macdonald, Barb Turncliffe & Marilyn Perry, pg. 70.

We are inspired by the saints who have gone before us and who live among us.

We confess we do not easily see ourselves in their company.

We would rather hide from your call to be the best we can be.

We hang on to our worries and possessions and old habits.

We confess our need to break free of these things to serve you with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

We are truly sorry and ask for your forgiveness.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM: A Gaelic Blessing (William Sharp, text; John Rutter, music)

Deep peace of the running wave to you,

Deep peace of the flowing air to you,

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you,

Deep peace of the gentle night to you,

Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.

Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world to you,

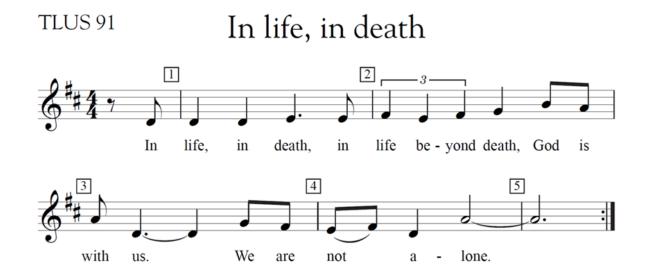
Deep peace of Christ to you.

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 1:15-23 read by Marlon Goolcharan

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

SERMON AND CANDLELIGHTING: Rhonda Kennedy, Fred Cross, and Rev. Karen Lumley

Response: In Life, in Death



Words: A New Creed, The United Church of Canada

Music: Bruce Harding, 2009

HYMN: VU705 For All the Saints vs. 1.3. 5 & 6

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER: See insert (music by Shauna Sperry)

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: Lied (Song) Alec Rowley

OFFERING/OFFERTORY SUNG RESPONSE: There's Enough for All (Words and music: Bryan Moyer Suderman)

 There's enough for all if we would learn to share it,

there's enough for all, oh help us to believe. There's enough for all. Let's bring our loaves and fishes,

and offer them to Jesus. There's more than enough for you and me. \mathcal{L}

OFFERTORY PRAYER

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: *May the Peace of Christ Be with You* (words & music by Izumi Shiota, additional text by Lori Tru)

♪ May the peace of Christ be with you. May the love of Christ dwell deep in your heart.

May the Spirit enlighten your way.
May you live in the comfort of God's care. ♪

POSTLUDE: For all the saints (Sine Nomine) arr. Robert Hobby

Announcements

From Rev. Karen Lumley, "Thanks so much for the gift card for The Leaf, for Clergy Appreciation Month. It was a surprise and a thoughtful gift from all of you."

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 and our scripture reader, Marlon Goolcharan.

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Announcements

Sunday, November 9, is our Remembrance Day Service. If anyone can lay the wreath, please contact the church office or Rev. Karen Lumley. Youth involved in the Scouting and Guide program are welcome to wear their uniforms and be part of the laying of the wreath.

Bible Study is on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am-10:30am in the lounge. We will be studying together, 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17. All are welcome to attend.

The St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Harvest Supper is next week! Join us on Sunday, November 2nd with seatings at 4:30pm (6pm is sold out). Tickets to learn ways to live out our affirmare \$25 for adults, \$10 for youth (ages 6-12) & children under 5 eat free! Tickets are available after church service. We look forward to The outreach group will be colseeing you there.

Board Game Night, Saturday, No- of new socks and leave them in vember 8 at 7:00pm in the Lounge. Everyone in their 20s-40s is welcome! Bring a game to share. Contact Katy for more information.

Sunday Recital Series: Save the Date! The section leaders of the St. Andrews River Heights Choir invite you to attend a series of Sunday Recitals. Come and enjoy a varied selection of musical works featuring our section leaders (and friends)! Recitals will take place in the sanctuary at 12PM on the following dates: November 16th, January 18th, February 15th (date changed), and April 19th. More information to follow. Mark your calendars, and we hope to see you there!

The St. Andrew's River Heights United Church Book Club will be reading *Frying Plantain* by Zalika Reid-Benta. The book is a collection of short stories chronicling the experience of a Jamaican-Canadian girl as she finds her identity between two cultures. The group will discuss the book at their next meeting, Wednesday, November 19, at 1:30pm, in the church lounge. If you would like to join the group, extra copies of the book are available from Ruth McKenzie.

The Outreach Speaker Series is back!

Sunday, November 23rd, at 9am in the lounge.

Positive Spaces

With Deanne Bennet, who attends St Andrew's. This is an opportunity ing ministry with intention and action.

lecting socks for 1JustCity, Just a Warm Sleep/ JAWS. Bring a pair the box. Our donation of socks 🞵 last year was really appreciated and is still one of the most needed items for their guests. Socks update! We have collected 90 pairs of socks. Can we collect 100? Thank you so much for your support!

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.

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 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.

Coming Up...

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Harvest Supper (auditorium) @ 4:30pm

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Rental—Katherine Mayba (sanctuary) @ 1pm Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Worship meeting (board room) @ 10am

Rental—Winnipeg Boys Choir (lounge) @ 6pm

Rental—Ecco Singers (sanctuary) @ 6:30pm

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Bible study (lounge) @ 9:30am Rental—River City Sound (auditorium) @ 5:15pm Rental—Joy Cooper (lounge) @ 6pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

