



Sunday, August 9, 2026



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.

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.

Children's packages are available in the Narthex for any children present for worship.

Summer Services

August 9, 16, 23 & 30, Westworth worships with us at St. Andrew's United Church.

During the month of August, 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.

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.

Questions Jesus Asked
Why do you doubt?

GATHERING MUSIC: *This is God's wondrous world* (tune - Terra Beata) settings by Dale Wood and Robert Hobby

WELCOME & WORK OF THE CHURCH

CENTERING WORDS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN: **VU296** *This is God's Wondrous World*

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: *The Minister's Annual Manual, 2002-2003, ed., Sharilyn Figueroa.*

Come, people of God.

We come as we are:

Right Side: **reverent and relaxed,**

Left Side: **festive and fidgety,**

Right Side: **thankful for silence,**

Left Side: **ready for service,**

Right Side: **being still and knowing God,**

Left Side: **making a joyful noise!**

Come, people of God.

We come as we are.

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: **VU703** *In the Bulb There is a Flower*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *The Abingdon Worship Annual, 2026, written by Michael Beu*

God of mystery and power,

you call us home amid our fear and doubt.

When we are hungry and weary,

we yearn to be filled and revived.

When our faith wavers,

we long to forsake our ways and find shelter in your ways.

When faced with those in need,

we dream of doing the impossible,

for you are with us and work through us.

Stay with us, O God, and help us in our struggles,

that we might be a blessing for others. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 14:22-33 read by Kathy Wilson

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

SOLO: Sarah Schellenberg - *We Walk with God* 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 murm'ring rang,
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.

SERMON

HYMN: **VU357** *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* vs. 1, 2, 3 & 5

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER OF JESUS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: *Chorale (from Sonata #5 in D major)* Felix Mendelssohn

OFFERING/OFFERTORY SUNG RESPONSE: **VU541** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
♪ **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit One. ♪

OFFERTORY PRAYER

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **VU424** *May the God of Hope, Go with Us* vs.1
♪ **May the God of hope go with us every day,**
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

POSTLUDE: *How firm a foundation* (tune - Foundation) arr. Robert Hobby

Announcement

Mark the Date: Celebration Sunday is September 13th! More to come in the following weeks.

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, Sarah Schellenberg and our scripture reader, Kathy Wilson.

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St. Andrew's Recycling report – as of 26 July 2026

Many of you know that in the last several months, I have been preoccupied with Greg's care post-surgery. I have not been at church very often and certainly have not taken care of the recycling bins as I should have. I have been trying to get back on track, so here is an update.

Personal Care Products

As I mentioned in my report to the Annual General Meeting in January, the place that was collecting used personal care products closed. This was very unfortunate – I had two large shopping bags full, waiting to be dropped off. I had written a message for our bulletin in March, but I suspect there was a mix-up in communication because the bin was almost overflowing when I checked it in June.

Meanwhile, I discovered there is another option - the Winners store at Grant Park Mall has a drop-off box in the personal care products area. However, the containers must be cleaned out. This seemed like a daunting task, but I did an experiment with the tubes I had been collecting at our place and found it was quite easy to do. I first cut off the ends of the tubes and soaked them in hot water for about 15 minutes. Then I used an old toothbrush to remove any remnants of toothpaste. Please refer to <https://www.pactcollective.org/pactresources/cleaning-guide>.

So, if you are willing to clean out your personal care products, please bring them to our bin, and I will deliver them to Winners. Please refer to <https://www.pactcollective.org/guidelines> for the complete list of what is accepted.

Markers and Pens

On June 22, I delivered 350 markers and pens to Staples – that makes a total of 576 since we started our program.

Printer cartridges/cell phones

I delivered 22 printer cartridges to Staples, making a total of 147 since inception, and tried to leave 3 cell phones there as I had done in the past. However, they now require a signature to guarantee that the phones have been erased. I will try the 4R depot next time I have a reason to go there.

Light bulbs

These were not part of our program, but a few people had brought them in, and I had several at home, so I delivered 18 to IKEA. They accept incandescent, LED, halogen, and compact fluorescent lightbulbs.

Batteries

Still accumulating those.

Many thanks to everyone for participating!

Linda Fearn

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.

Coming Up...

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm

Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

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



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