

Who Do You Say That I Am?

Sunday, August 23, 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 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
Who Do You Say That I Am?

GATHERING MUSIC: *Prelude & Fugue in G major* Johann Fischer
How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (St. Peter) arr. Healey Willan

WELCOME

WORK OF THE CHURCH

CENTERING WORDS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN: **VU331** *The Church's One Foundation* vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: *Prayers to Share, Year A, pg.153, written by David Sparks.*

The cloud-clapped hills are silent evidence of God's power.

The colour and variety of trees and flowers, bear witness to the Holy One.

The smile on a baby's face speaks of God's renewing miracle in humankind.

The knowing glance of an older person mirrors the wise, accepting God.

Praise and glory, honour and blessing, be to the God who has created us, the God who has formed us as a community of faith, the God whose love goes beyond the boundaries of time and space.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN: **VU344** *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Prayers to Share, Year A, pg.154, written by David Sparks, adapted.*

O God, you call us to be "rocks" like Peter, but often we are more like clay, with unclear principles we compromise. Forgive us.

O God, you call us to be "rocks" like Peter, but often we are more like sand, we know what needs to be said, but words fail us. Forgive us.

O God, you call us to be "rocks" like Peter, but often we are cracked and fragmented, without focus and goals. Forgive us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 16:13-20 read by Kathy Wilson

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

SOLO: Jordi Haskerkehrer—*God Ever-Moving* (Colin Gibson, text; Brian Wren, music)

God ever-moving, leading your people,
Smoke on a mountain, fire in the night,
Brighter than sunlight, hidden in darkness,
Whispering, roaring justice and love,
Now and forever, trusting or doubting,
Youthful or aging, your name we praise.

God sending Jesus filled with your Spirit,
One of your people, living your love,

Followed, forsaken, battered and broken,
Killed by an empire, risen, alive --
Now and forever, trusting or doubting,
Youthful or aging, your name we praise.

God never finished, end and beginning,
Judging, forgiving all that we are,
Giving our living motive and meaning,
Calling us onward, bringing us home,
Now and forever, trusting or doubting,
Youthful or aging, your name we praise.

SERMON

HYMN: **VU649** *Walk with Me*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER OF JESUS: **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: *The Church's one Foundation* (Aurelia) arr. John Marsh

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.
Praying, let us work for peace
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call. ♪

POSTLUDE: *Minuet in Classical Style* C. Armstrong Gibbs

Announcements

Remember in prayer Audrea Belyea and Nancy Parkhill, who are in the Misericordia Hospital. They both would welcome visitors

Remember in prayer Glenn Neufeld, who is awaiting treatment

Next Sunday is Sacrament of Baptism Sunday.

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

Sunday Recital Series:

The St. Andrews River Heights Choir invites you to join us for a recital on Sunday, September 20th at 12pm in the sanctuary. Come and hear the organists of St. Andrew's present an afternoon filled with wonderful organ music! Free admission, with donations gratefully accepted. Tax receipts will be available, and all proceeds benefit the music program at St. Andrew's.

"We are all Treaty People" is an event organized and funded by the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land, Mennonite Central Committee Manitoba, Prairie to Pine Region of The United Church of Canada and Winnipeg Quakers, in partnership with The Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba. The purpose of this event is to bring Indigenous folk, Settlers and Newcomers together to celebrate and honour our relationship with one another under the treaties signed by our ancestors.

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 Jordi Haskerkehrer, and our scripture reader, Kathy Wilson.

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This year the event will feature Niigaan Sinclair, Allen Sutherland, Don Amero, Anne-Marie Willott, Ryan Richard, Hinode Taiko Drummers and Josh Ward. These are speakers, singers, dancers, and drummers (Japanese drummers). There will also be games and activities for all ages, crafters selling their wares, and information tables. There will be food and ceremony as well.

The date is September 20 from 1pm to 4pm at the Forks-National Historic Site, Centre Field. We are encouraging people from our congregation to attend this event, and volunteers are needed to help. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Karen Lumley, klumley@standrewsriverheights.com or phone at 204-250-5073.

Saturday, August 29 from 9am to 6pm - Pop-Up Market at Prairie Spirit parking lot. There will be crafts, food, puzzle sale, book sale and media sale. Come and join the fun.

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...

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Rental—Oleg Pokhanovski (sanctuary) @ 8pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Handbell choir practice (lounge) @ 6pm

Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Celebration Sunday

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Council meeting (board room) @ 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Handbell choir practice (lounge) @ 6pm
Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Sunday Recital Series

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Handbell choir practice (lounge) @ 6pm
Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Fair

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

Handbell choir practice (lounge) @ 6pm
Choir practice (sanctuary) @ 7:00pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Scouts (auditorium) @ 6pm
Rental—AFG (lounge) @ 7pm



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