



Welcome to Sunday Morning
Worship
10:30am July 31, 2022

**Please join us for fellowship &
refreshments after the service.**



MISSION STATEMENT

“St. Andrew’s United Church is a progressive worshipping community dedicated to spiritual growth, caring, and inclusivity that is providing outreach to the community and the world”

Our worship leader is Fred Mathieson. Karen Purdy is on the piano/organ with Jenna Nash leading the choir; their music brings life and joy to our Sunday mornings!

Please note: We will not be passing the plate; there is a box for your donations at the Chapel entrance.

Celebration Box:

Congratulations to you, May the dear Lord bless you
May God’s special blessing, Descend upon you.

Theme One: Creation is Good

Genesis 1:1-25 (with congregational participation)

Hymn VU 242 "Let All Things Now Living"

Commentary

Prayer: Through your word and your design, O God, you call us to remember we are part of the abundance of your creation, from tiny molecules to divine light. Every being reflects your DNA and reminds us that you continue to create and delight in what you have made. With these gifts, move us from despair to hope; from taking things for granted to a place of deep reverence. Amen.

Theme Two: Creation is Wise

Proverbs 8: 22-31

Commentary

Hymn: VU #380 (v1,2) "She Comes Sailing on the Wind"

Prayer: Creator God, you desire to be in relationship with us, and for us to be awestruck by your beauty. May our attention move upward and outward to notice you and your handiwork in the sky, in the stars, and in the warmth of the sun. May we be reminded that you delight in all creation and speak beyond words. Guide us to respond and to be claimed by wonder, connection, to you and to each other. Amen.

Theme Three: We Are Part of Creation

Genesis 1: 26

Psalm 139 (VU p. 861) with musical response

Commentary

Hymn MV #135 "Called by Earth and Sky"

Prayer: Creator God, you call us to remember our humanity, because in knowing ourselves we know you more fully. May we be reminded that we are your creation and that you call us to responsibility. In the beauty around and within us may we embrace your ways and remember our kinship with all creation. Amen.

Theme Four: Creation Needs Our Appreciation

Commentary

Prayer: Where we see limits and impossibility, O God, you see a future with promise. You invite us to dream of justice and harmony for Planet Earth and all Earth beings. Guide us to know, deeply, your imagination for us and our potential. Help us to gain wisdom from the past, and yet move into the future free from past ways of harm and destruction. We respond with the words of the Lord's Prayer: Our Mother and Father who art in heaven

Hymn: MV # 30: "It's a Song of Praise to the Maker"

Blessing and sending prayer

Our thanks to Fred for creating this educational service! And to Arnold & Olga Giddings for sponsoring this bulletin.

Thank you to everyone who participated in today's worship service.

Please remember that St. Andrew's United is "Scent-Free".

Announcements:

Authentic Mexican lunch will be available on August 14th after the service. Tickets are \$25. Must be pre-sold by August 7th.

SAVE THE DATE: We are having a "Strawberry Social" on August 27th. There will be a silent auction and a fancy hats contest. Tickets are \$10.

Garage/Yard sale September 17th. Donations are welcome.

Jim will be back for next weeks service.

Latest news from St. Andrews:

July birthdays:

Jenness Pampu Lynann Pethick Richie Snyder
Vivian Meikle Bev Curran

Donations:

Local: \$776.00

2022 Weekly budget: \$ 1925.00

Other donations:

M & S: \$81.50; includes Memorial giving

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