



St Andrew's United Church

Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am December 18, 2022
Advent 4 "Love"



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 Neil Colmin. 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 Sanctuary entrance.

Celebration Box:

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



Lighting of the Advent Candle:

All: Hymn VU #6 A Candle is Burning (verses 1, 2, 3, 4)

Call to Worship:

One: Across the universe creation waits for the prophets to speak their words of expectation and their vision of renewal

All: May we gather round them today once more and let their longing grip us and lead us into a birth and blessing

One: So, come now my friends this is the meeting place of promise and prophecy

All: Let us listen through the ancient words that we might be ready to hear a baby's cry. Amen

Hymn: VU# 4 – God of All Places

Children's/Young at Heart Time

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (All):

One: Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

All: We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each

day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us. We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom. We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

One: We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

All: *Please hear our heartfelt prayers....*

One: Come Lord, come down, come in, come among us. Now let us prayer together the way Jesus taught saying:

All: We pray to you who is our Mother and our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

 Scripture Reading:

1st Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

2nd Reading: Responsive reading Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (VU page 794 part 1)

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Response:

One: These are our words from scripture

All: **May God bless our understanding**

Reflection: You Want Me to Do What?

Hymn: MV# 30 – Hail to God's Own Anointed

Minute for Mission

Response Hymn: MV # 115 – Behold, behold...

Prayers of the People

Final Hymn: VU # 45 – Joy is Now in Every Place

Blessing and Sending

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

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

Our thanks to Arlene Clark for sponsoring this bulletin and Neil Colmin for leading us this week!

Latest news from St. Andrews:

Attendance: December 11 - 38

Donations:

Local: \$1359.00

M & S: \$158.00 (includes Memorial donations)

2022 Weekly budget: \$ 1925.00

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[St. Andrew's United Church, Moose Jaw - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

Announcements:

If you have signed up to sponsor a bulletin, please remit before the end of the year. My list has gone missing, so I don't know who you are!

The Mitten tree is up! It will be there until December 24th.

Bible study will be taking a break for Christmas. IT will reconvene on Wednesday, January 4th, 2023. Newcomers will be especially welcome.

St. Andrews is coordinating with the John Howard Society's "My Place program" to feed the homeless 1 hot meal per week. Volunteers and donations would be most welcome. Cookies would be especially welcome!

Check out our fridge magnets! They are in the Narthex. Great stocking stuffers! Large for \$10, small for \$5.

2023 UCC calendars are now available. \$10 each. See Cheryl in the office to get yours!

Weekly Schedule

Moose Jaw Scouting	Social Hall	Monday	5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Mon.	6:00pm
		Thurs.	
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tues.	5:00pm
		Thur.	
Line Dancing	Social Hall	Tues.	10:00am
Easy Does It (Al Anon)	Lounge & Court	Wed.	7:00pm
Hi-Steppers A.A.	Lounge & Court	Fri.	7:00pm
Movement with Sue	Chapel	Tuesday	9:30am
		Wednesday	6:30pm
		Thursday	9:30am
OSI-CAN	Harmony Room	Tuesday	7:00pm
Choir practice	Harmony Room	Wednesday	7:00pm
Jenna Singing classes	Harmony Room	Thursday	2:00pm
		Saturday	11:00am