



Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am May 7, 2023



Mental Health week

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 Laura Richard. 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 Christ Candle

Call to Worship

One: We gather in the presence of the One who abandons no one.

All: Come Holy Spirit, our advocate and comforter.

One: All are welcome in this sacred place, made holy through your presence with us.

All: Open our hearts and minds this day, guide us into a loving relationship with all your children.

One: We gather as God’s beloved people, leaving no one outside.

All: Spark us with a word of life and radical belonging— a message that we share with others as we seek to live out Christ’s love.

One: We call on the name of God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us.

All: Amen.

Hymn VU #669 Jesus, lover of my soul

Opening Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

One: You come to us just as we are, Loving God, not as we would like to be.

All: You encourage us to express our fears to a trusted one; you will not let us keep our anxiety to ourselves.

One: You come to us just as we are, Loving God, not as we would like to be.

All: You encourage us to hear the deepest fear of those near and dear to us; you will give us the words we need, the quiet time we need.

One: You come to us just as we are, Loving God, not as we would like to be.

All: You encourage us to examine the source of our disquiet; you will go with us as we challenge the complacent.

One: We pray in the name of Jesus, wise teacher and good listener,

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 to temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,

forever and ever, Amen



Scripture Readings

Psalm 88 A Desperate Prayer from Deep Affliction

Ephesians 6: 10-17 The Armor of God

Jon 13:31-35 Jesus Predicts Peter's Denial

These are the word of scripture, **may God bless our understanding – Amen**

Reflection

Hymn MV #83 Let my spirit always sing

Minute For Mission

Prayers of the People

Hymn VU #628 Come, my Way, my Truth

Blessing and Sending

You are loved, you are holy, you are whole, and you belong here. May God be with us as we leave this place. May our hearts be open to experience love. And may our hearts be open to experience God's great love for all creation.

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

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

