



Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am, July 9, 2023
Pentecost 6



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. Hannah Elich 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.

Welcome:

Treaty Acknowledgement:

Announcements and Celebrations:

Celebration Box:

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

Acknowledgement of the Already Lit Candle

Call to Worship

One: Jesus will not be defeated; Jesus will win.

All: In our moments of despair, Jesus creates hope.

One: Jesus gives us confidence for friendship in times of choice.

All: When we are alone, Jesus encourages us to community.

One: Jesus is our strong foundation.

All: When our faith seems unfounded, he enables us to trust.

One: Jesus is our light in the darkness.

All: When the journey fills us with fear, he walks with us.

Hymn VU # 292 Creating God, we give you thanks

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

One: This is the moment of praise;

All: praise to the God who has created us, and sustains us, in joy and in sorrow.

One: This is the moment of trust;

All: trust in the God who remains faithful, as we age, as we face choices.

One: This is the moment of community;

All: a community of those who profess their faith in Jesus Christ, in word and in compassionate work together.

One: This is the moment of hope;

All: hope for those in the midst of life's storms; hope for those feeling despair; hope for those facing difficult choices; hope for those who fear. This is the moment of God with God's people. Glory to God.

One: Let us join together in praying the Lord's Prayer:

All: Our Mother and 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, not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever.

 **Scripture Readings**

Psalm 27 (VU p. 754)

Matthew 4: 18-22



Hymn VU # 377 *Holy Spirit, hear us*

Message "A Fork in the Road"

Hymn VU # 681 *Where cross the crowded ways of life*

Minute for Mission

Hymn VU # 639 *One more step along the road*

Blessing and Sending

One: The time for change has arrived; change will be happening in our lives.

All: Take from us, O God, the reluctance to get involved; the unwillingness to get along with one another; the arrogance that insists that we have the whole truth.

One: In our openness to new truth and to the reality of choice, in an enthusiasm to work with others, in willingness to go the extra mile in faith, new horizons will open up, and fresh starts will be possible. Do not be afraid; God is with us!

All: Thanks be to God, amen!

Prayers of the People

Prayer Cycle 2023

July 9

Lafleche (*Lafleche, Limerick*)

Regina: Lakeview

Lanigan, Nokomis (*Lanigan*)

Landis

Thank you to everyone who participated in today's worship service. Please remember that St. Andrew's United is "Scent-Free".

This bulletin was sponsored by Betty Bueckert, may God bless her soul.