



Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am, September 10, 2023



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.

Announcements:

Celebration Box:

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

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.
Jesus, the Light of the World. Amen



Call to Worship:

People of God, open your eyes, look around! The presence of our Lord Jesus Christ is here, among us and within us. God’s salvation is close at hand, nearer than you know. Let’s open our hearts and minds to the Spirit, and let us worship God together. Amen

Hymn: MV# 12 Come Touch Our Hearts

Children’s/Young at Heart Time

Opening Prayer and Lord’s Prayer (All):
God of justice, peace and righteousness, come into our midst this day. Breathe your Spirit of prophecy, your energy, your enlivening, your imagination on us. Wake us up.

Open our eyes, unplug our ears that we might hear, that we might see, that we might grieve, that we might dream, and that we might follow the ways of your kingdom.

As we prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits to respond in eagerness. Let us pray together the way Jesus taught saying:

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 Ezekial 33:7-11 & Psalm 119: 33-40

2nd Reading: Romans 13: 8-14

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

Response:

These are our words from scripture.
May God bless our understanding.

Reflection:

Friend or Foe?

Hymn: VU# 571 Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round

Offertory Prayer & Dedication:

O God, Jesus taught that where our treasure is, there will our hearts be also.

In this hour, we come bringing our treasures, all that we have and all that we are.

We come seeking your treasure, treasure that does not fade, decay, or disappoint.

O God, you provide us so many wonderful gifts that make our lives worth living. The gifts of family and friends, the gifts of love and laughter, the gift of your son Jesus. As humble servants it is right that we should show our gratitude and give back. May the gifts of our time, talent and treasure be used for God's work and glory. Amen

Minute for Mission

Response Hymn: VU # 958 Halle, Halle, Halle

Prayers of the People:

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Outlook

Prairie Points (*Creelman*)

Preeceville-Sturgis

Prince Albert: Calvary

Final Hymn: MV # 216 Wherever You May Go

Blessing and Sending:

Walk in the light of the Lord. Stay alert for the Lord is near; put on the armour of light

and live openly and honourably.

We walk together; brother, sister, friend, encouraging and uplifting each other along the path.

Go now in Peace with the Love of God to surround you, the Grace of God to astound you, and the Hope of God to ground you. Amen