





Welcome to  
Sunday Morning Worship  
10:30am, October 29, 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. 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.**

### **Announcements and 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:**

We are called to love the Lord our God;

**We are called to love with all our heart and soul.**

We are called to love the Lord our God;

**We are called to love with all our mind and strength.**

We are called to love the Lord our God;

**And we are called to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

Come, let us love our God and share God’s love in this time of worship!

**Hymn: VU #265 Creating God, Your Fingers Trace**

## Children's/Young at Heart Time

### Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Every generation has found its home in you, God our provider, and discovered that every moment spent in your holy presence lasts beyond all imaginable time.

**You watch over us in the night, cradling us in your arms as tenderly as a mother cares for her children, and her neighbor's.**

Full of wisdom, you humbled yourself that we might learn to love those who have been swept aside by a callous and cruel world.

**God of grace, you call us to act in ways of love and peace to all we meet in this life.**

In the leaves dancing across autumn's lawns; in the crisp, new snowfall crunching beneath our feet; in the new life flowering in the spring; in the fresh breeze on a summer's day: from everlasting to everlasting you proclaim your love for us, Spirit of Life. God in community, Holy One, continue to be the dwelling place of our minds, our hearts, our souls, even as we pray as Jesus taught:

***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:

1<sup>st</sup> Reading    Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 & Psalm 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 2: 1-8

Gospel:        Matthew 22: 34-46

**Response:**

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

**Choir Anthem**

**Reflection: Love**

**Hymn:** VU# 606 In Christ There is No East or West

**Offertory Prayer & Dedication:**

Dear God, your son 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:**

**Prayer Cycle 2023**

**October 29**

**Care Facilities**

Saskatoon: St. Paul's

Southey

Spirit Hills (*Central Butte, Tugaske*)

**Final Hymn:** VU # 418 Go Forth for God

**Blessing and Sending:**

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

**Latest news from St. Andrews:**

Donations:

Attendance October 15 - 33

Local: \$913.37

Other donations:

M & S: \$62.70

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**Announcements:**

**Last chance for the UCW Beef supper tickets! See Louise after the service or come see Cheryl in the office next week!**

**The lunch for John Howard participants has resumed. It is on Thursdays from 11am until 1pm. See Karen Mundt or Sandra Fowler if you want to help. Cookies and goodies are always welcome!**

**Sponsor a bulletin cover! The dates & suggested covers are in the Narthex. \$7.50 for each week.**

**Zion is having a violin recital by Jean-Samuel Bez from France! November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm. Admission is free, donations accepted.**

40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism: going to December 1, 2023 There's brand-new content coming for this year's 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism. In addition to the daily written content that will be posted online, a dynamic set of speakers will be sharing their insights on Tuesdays. The speakers will explore these diverse themes: race shifting; anti-racist and decolonial theologies; raising anti-racist children; environmental racism; countering antisemitism; intergenerational Asian voices; and copyright justice and musical misappropriation. There's no cost for the online events! You can register for all of the live events on ChurchX. Consider signing up for the 40 Days newsletter to stay up-to-date on all of the developments related to the 40 Days for this year!

Rural Ministry Town Hall, Monday October 30 (and the last Monday of every month), afternoon. All are welcome to this ongoing series of open space and focused conversation on topics near and dear to rural and remote ministries. Please note that you need a free account to sign for the whole series, and then you'll get reminders sent to your own email. <https://churchx.ca/enrol/link2enrol/form.php?id=119>

[Who Do You Say That I Am? Wednesdays, 2-4:00 pm CST, Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29, and Dec. 6](#) A five-part course by Don Schweitzer, offered in person (\$95) or on Zoom (\$75) at Queen's House of Retreats, tracing how Christians and some others have understood who Jesus is and the reasons for this, moving through the New Testament, early church debates and then to the present, looking at gains and losses that have occurred along the way. For more information: <https://www.queenshouse.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Who-Do-You-Say-That-I-Am-November-2023.pdf>

Please mark your calendars now! All events will happen online Specific information to follow closer to these dates:

- Mon Nov 27 Queer Christology (a public lecture by Dr. Kayko Driedger Hesslein)
- Thurs Feb 8 Liturgical Resources for LGBTQIA2S Christians (panel discussion)
- Tues Mar 19 Transgender and Non-Binary Realities (panel discussion)

And our “Year of Intention” will culminate in a splendid worship service of recommitment, celebrating 15+ years of Affirm United/S’affirmer Ensemble Affirming Ministry and 4+ years of Reconciling Works Reconciling in Christ ... the date for this service is still to be decided. For more information on any of these events, please contact [shawn.sanfordbeck@saskatoontheologicalunion.ca](mailto:shawn.sanfordbeck@saskatoontheologicalunion.ca)

[YAYAC Fall Youth Retreat – Friday, November 3 – Sunday, Nov. 5 at Melfort United Church Gather with other amazing youth from around our province to explore your faith, play games, connect about issues you care about, and eat a lot of great snacks. Registration and more information available at <https://livingskiesrc.ca/event/fall-youth-retreat-2023-gr-7-12/> For youth Grades 7-12. Cost: \\$50 \(support funding available\) If you'd like to help plan or have questions about the event, please be in touch! We can be reached at \[livingskiesyaya@united-church.ca\]\(mailto:livingskiesyaya@united-church.ca\) or \[lsyayac.meghan@gmail.com\]\(mailto:lsyayac.meghan@gmail.com\) Can't wait to see you there!](https://livingskiesrc.ca/event/fall-youth-retreat-2023-gr-7-12/)

[NEW: Join a CCS Friday on “Coping with Loneliness and Isolation” Friday, Nov 10/23 at Noon Do you ever feel isolated in your ministry or leadership? Well, ironically, you are not alone! Join Centre for Christian Studies on Friday, November 10 at Noon Central for an online discussion of coping strategies for feelings of loneliness and isolation. Join](#)

Tracy Fairfield (CCS Alumnus 2008) as she shares some learnings and insights, through engaging talks and activities, based on her experience at a clergy wellness retreat put on by BC LeaderShift, at Naramata Centre. Loneliness and isolation are definitely very different things, but regardless which you feel, as a layperson, clergy, theology student, deacon or deaconess, your vocation impacts your mental health and well-being. In this brave and safe space, you can share and be with one another in confidence and trust. If you want to peruse a book in advance that sheds more light on this topic, check out: A Path to Belonging: Overcoming Clergy Loneliness by Mary Kay DuChene and Mark Sundby. CCS Fridays events are free. To register: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpfмурzsuHddaIDRcY3AN9TbKKtxb3VQm#/registration>

NEW: Angels from Heaven to Earth: Engaging the Mystery Together A Zoom-Based Retreat Series Mondays, Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11 and 18, 2023 from 1:30-5:00 CST Stories abound of people from every culture sharing experiences of angels coming as thoughts, visions, dreams, animals, light on the water or in the clouds, and as people too. During this Advent retreat we will take time to share the mysteries, of Heavenly Angels to Earthly Angels, as we explore and respond to the qualities that are believed to be part of the essence of Angles. For full details visit: <https://www.freeflowwellness.ca/retreats>

NEW: Rural Church Network (US and Canada) Spring Meeting - June 18-21, 2024 at Cochrane, AB The Rural Church Network of the USA and Canada (RCN) is coming to Mount St. Francis in Cochrane (near Calgary) and CiRCLe M (Centre for Rural Community Leadership and Ministry) out of Saskatoon Theological Union will host them. Planned events include: meeting time, a field trip to a local farm, a trip to Morley, a Stoney Nakota community to hear about the



development of Indigenous Day of Prayer (June 21st) which began in Morley through the initiative of Chief Rev. John Snow; a trip to Banff to enjoy the scenery and hear the story of rural Church life in a tourist region. The conference ends on the 21st and people can return home, or arrange to stay in Calgary for National Indigenous Peoples Day. The cost of accommodation for 3 nights is \$360 Canadian. Watch for more details. Those interested in registering for this event, please contact Catherine Christie, [christiecatherine4@gmail.co](mailto:christiecatherine4@gmail.co)

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**Wednesday, November 29 • 7:00 pm**  
**MOOSE JAW**  
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 (60 Athabasca St. E., Mon. – Fri., 8 am – 4 pm)

<b>Weekly Schedule</b>			
<b>Moose Jaw Scouting</b>	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Yoga in Moose Jaw</b>	<b>Chapel</b>	<b>Monday Thursday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Crazy Happy Zumba</b>	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>Tuesday Thursday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Line Dancing</b>	<b>Social Hall</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Bible Study</b>	<b>Ministers' office</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Easy Does It (Al Anon)</b>	<b>Lounge &amp; Court</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Hi-Steppers (A.A.)</b>	<b>Lounge &amp; Court</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Yoga with Sue</b>	<b>Chapel</b>	<b>Wednesday Tues./Thurs.</b>	<b>4:30pm 9:30am</b>
<b>OSI-CAN (Private)</b>	<b>Harmony Room</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Choir practice</b>	<b>Harmony Room</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>MJ Chinese Christians</b>	<b>Lounge &amp; Court</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2:00pm</b>

**Committee meetings**

**UCW – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 2 pm**

**Outreach – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 4pm**

**Worship – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday bi-monthly @ 9:30am**