





Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am, October 15, 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 Jenna Nash. 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 and Celebration Box:

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

Moment of Calm

OPENING PRAYER

O Divine one, be with us today as we learn and grow together. As you welcome us into your presence, remind us to do the same for each other. Please help remind us that when we have a loving and giving heart, we are acting as Christ did for us and continues to do. We are never alone when we walk with you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:

Leviticus 19:33-34

Isaiah 48:7

Luke 14:13-14

Matthew 25:35-49

These are our words from Scripture,
May God bless our understanding.

REFLECTION

HYMN: MV#1 – Let Us Build A House (1, 3, 5)

HYMN: VU#408 - Welcome to Another Day

MINUTE FOR MISSION

HYMN: VU#256 – O God Beyond All Praising

HYMN: MV#1 – All Who Are Thirsty

CONGREGATION PICKS HYMNS (Please pick from VU only)

COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. - Hebrews 13:1-2

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

The Indian Residential School Survivors Society (IRSSS) is a provincial organization that provides essential services to residential school survivors and families experiencing intergenerational trauma. To learn more about the organization and ways you can help/donate, visit <https://www.irsss.ca>

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

Committee meetings

UCW – 1st Wednesday @ 2 pm

Outreach – 2nd Thursday @ 4pm

Worship – 3rd Friday bi-monthly @ 9:30am

Weekly Schedule			
Moose Jaw Scouting	Social Hall	Monday	5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Monday Thursday	6:30pm
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tuesday Thursday	6:30pm
Line Dancing	Social Hall	Wednesday	10:00am
Bible Study	Ministers' office	Wednesday	10:00am
Easy Does It (Al Anon)	Lounge & Court	Wednesday	7:00pm
Hi-Steppers (A.A.)	Lounge & Court	Friday	7:00pm
Yoga with Sue	Chapel	Wednesday Tues./Thurs.	4:30pm 9:30am
OSI-CAN	Harmony Room	Tuesday	7:00pm
Choir practice	Harmony Room	Wednesday	6:45pm
MJ Chinese Christians	Lounge & Court	Sunday	2:00pm

KAIROS Prairies North annual gathering Saturday Oct 28 from 11am – 4pm in Lloydminster (and online). Come and explore the timely theme of “Energy for Change” and find out ways you can get involved! More details and registration links here: [You're invited! Oct 28 KAIROS Annual Gathering “Energy for Change” \(kairoscanada.org\)](https://www.kairos.org/energy-for-change)

Western Intercultural Ministries Network Conference 2023, 19-21 October, St Albert AB, Treaty Six, at Star of the North retreat centre. All are welcome to our first in-person gathering since 2019! Theme to be announced, but it will carry our commitment to being intercultural practitioners in ministry together, uniting perspectives and lived experiences that carry racial, gender, abilities, and sexual diversity. Who is WIMN? [Intercultural Ministry - Northern Spirit Regional Council \(northernspiritrc.ca\)](https://www.northernspiritrc.ca/)

40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism: October 10-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!

I love You and It Hurts – Wednesday, October 18th at 7:30pm A presentation brought to Regina (Sunset United Church – 177 Sunset Dr.) by Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSA), Theatre of the Beat has

developed three short plays that reflect lived experience of elder abuse, healthy masculinity, and intimate partner violence in your relationships, with a focus on how to recognize the subtle early signs of abuse. For more information about them, see: www.theatreofthebeat.ca . Admission is by donation.

Canadian Centre for Christian Charities' Webinar
October 25th at 2:00 pm-3:00 pm EST Join CCCC on Zoom for their next webinar: Three Ways a Small Church Can Be an Effective Church on Small churches can be strong, healthy, and effective! In this CCCC webinar, Karl Vaters, author of The Grasshopper Myth will share the three main principles behind effective small churches: 1.) Realize you can be effective; 2.) Discover how small churches function differently from big churches and 3.) Understand and use the unique DNA of your small church for God's glory. This webinar is perfect for ministers and elders at small churches; denominational officials; family members of small church pastors; or anyone with a desire to deepen their understanding of small churches and how to participate in their flourishing. Registration is free but you have to enter your CRA Charity number.
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DGBAxb6MQw2Umn52dpA4Og#/registration

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>

Updated slightly: Registration Open!! Daring Justice: Western Intercultural Ministries Network Conference, 19-21 October, at Star of the North Retreat Centre, St Albert AB, Treaty Six. All are welcome to our first in-person gathering since 2019! Theme: Daring Justice: intercultural and decolonizing lenses on truth and reconciliation. Song and worship, speakers, workshops, and lots of time for visiting and telling stories are all in the plans. October 21 we will join Northern Spirit Regional Council at their Celebration of Ministries service and Affirming celebration. Intercultural Ministry - Northern Spirit Regional Council (northernspiritrc.ca)

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 though 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