



2024



Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 a.m., December 31, 2023
New Years Eve



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 also 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.

**Please join us for coffee and refreshments
after the service!**

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

May none of God’s wonderful works keep silence, night, or morning. Bright stars, high mountains, the depths of the seas, sources of rushing rivers; may all of these break into song as we sing to our Lord; power, praise, honor, eternal glory to God, the only giver of grace.

**May all the angels in the heavens reply
Amen! Amen! Amen!**

Come and worship. Come One, come all.

Hymn: VU # 217 All Creatures of Our God and King

Children's/Young at Heart Time

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Loving God, help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be your children, and Christmas season bring us peace with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven. Now, in all other matters, for or against, on our lips or in our hearts, we recite together the prayer Jesus himself taught us, praying;

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 Isaiah 61: 10- 62: 3

2nd Reading: Psalm 148 (responsive VU page 871)

Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

Response:

These are our words from scripture.

May God bless our understanding.

Reflection: A Promise

Hymn: VU# 334 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

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: MV # 115 Behold, Behold

Prayers of the People:

Final Hymn: VU # 59 Joy to the World

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 December 24 - 103

Local: \$ 1543.00

Other donations:

M & S: \$ 794.00

PAR – Monthly - \$1115.00, M&S - \$205.00

Please see Cheryl if you want to start donating through PAR or increase you monthly donation for 2024.

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Announcements:

Outreach:

We would like to notify the congregation that we donated to several local charities as follows:

Riverside Mission - \$100

Hunger in Moose Jaw - \$100

Phoenix Academy- \$200

Square One - \$300

MJ Food Bank - \$250

And lastly, we raised \$763.25 at the Christmas Market for the Transition House! Thank you very much for your support!

Regional Rambler:

Watch for the next Events edition on January 3, 2024, and a new News edition on January 10, 2024.

Annual Meeting date change

The Regional Meeting dates have been changed to June 13 – 16, 2024. Please mark your calendars with this updated information.

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 Friday/Sunday	Bi-weekly 5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Mon.	6:00pm
		Thurs.	
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tues.	5:00pm
Away until March		Thur.	
Line Dancing	Social Hall	Tues.	10:00am
CMHA	Harmony Rm	Tuesday	7:00pm
Bible study	Minister's Office	Wednesday	10:00am
Choir practice	Harmony Rm	Wednesday	7:00pm
Easy Does It (Al- Anon)	Lounge	Wednesday	7:00pm
Movement with Sue	Chapel	Wednesday	5:30pm
Journey to Hope	Lounge	3 rd Thursday	5:00pm
Hi-Steppers (A.A.)	Lounge	Fri.	7:00pm
Chinese Christians	Lounge	Sunday	1:00 p.m.
Enough is enough (N/A)	Lounge Chapel	Sun., Mon., Tues. Friday	7:00 p.m.