





Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 a.m., April 7, 2024



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."

Fred Mathieson has prepared your service today. 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!

Opening Words and Prayer

Acknowledgement of the Territory

Acknowledgement of the Lit Candle



Announcements and Celebrations:

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

Call to Worship

Strengthen our faith in this resurrection time, O God;
give us the courage of Mary Magdalene.

Strengthen our faith in this resurrection time, O God;
give us the honesty of Thomas the apostle.

Strengthen our faith in this resurrection time, O God;
give us the joy of the gathered apostles.

Strengthen our faith in this resurrection time, O God;
***give us the active spirit of the Risen Christ. Christ
be praised. Alleluia!***

Opening Prayer

The Risen Christ will transform us! ***Christ will
transform our earthbound worship into an act of
glorious praise.***

The Risen Christ will transform us! ***Christ will
transform our hesitant community into an active,
enthusiastic group of friends.***

The Risen Christ will transform us! ***Christ will
transform our fear of the unknown into a ready spirit
of adventure.***

The Risen Christ will transform us! ***Christ will
transform our self-serving into service of those
around us, and of those whose crying needs are
brought home to us. Amen.***

Hymn: VU # 405 "New every morning is the love"

Scripture Reading:

Acts 4: 32-35

Psalm 133 VU p. 856

John 20: 19-31

Response:

These are our words from scripture.

May God bless our understanding.

Hymn: VU # 260 *"God who gives life to goodness"*

Message *"Following Tom"*

Hymn: VU # 352 *"I danced in the morning"*

Minute for Mission

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

.....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

Hymn: VU # 560 *"O Master, let me walk with thee"*

Commissioning and Blessing

Confident that the Risen Christ is with us, we leave this

community of the faithful.

Renewed in the Spirit, we will encourage doubting.

Renewed in the Spirit, we will encourage the apathetic.

Renewed in the Spirit, we will encourage the downhearted.

Renewed in the Spirit, we will encourage those who lack hope.

Renewed in the Spirit, we will be servants and advocates for Jesus Christ. Amen.

Recessional Music

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

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Living Skies Regional Council Prayer Cycle 2024

April 7

Saskatoon: Grosvenor Park

Gull Lake: Knox

Regina: Heritage

Hudson Bay Larger Parish

Hurricane Hills

Latest news from St. Andrews:

Attendance March 31 - 49

Local: \$612.00

Easter giving's: \$140.00

Other donations:

M & S: \$8.25

PAR - Monthly - \$1170.00, M&S - \$120.00

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

Announcements:

St. Andrews is hosting a Quilt Show on April 23rd in the Sanctuary and Lounge & Court from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Entry is by donation to Mission and Service. Please see Karen Mundt if you want to display your quilts.

Zion is hosting a free concert with the Regina Symphony Orchestra on April 25th at 7:00 p.m.

NEW: Proposals to the Regional Council meeting, June 13-15 2024 Proposals to the Regional Council or to General Council are the main avenue for asking the church to adopt policy positions or take specific and relevant action. They use a template for consistency, and to ensure that all the needed information for representatives or commissioners is included.

NEW: The Regional Council proposals template is now updated and ready for use. Please [click here](#) for the Proposals PDF overview (best for sharing and reviewing) and [click here](#) for the Word version (best for copying and pasting into a new document so you can build your

proposal with the correct information and format.) There will be a deadline for proposals that come to the online floor, to allow delegates enough time to read and reflect in advance. Completed proposals should be sent to the office, to Bev Diebert: bdiebert@united-church.ca Please do not hesitate to contact the office with any questions, so that staff can help you find the right person to speak with.

NEW: Your fabulous, sparkly Nominations Committee introduces itself! If you have long wondered who the Nominations Committee is, and what they do, and why: wonder no more! It's all right here in this new short video: <https://youtu.be/a0ia5T3Ur9Q>. It's amazing what you can explain in less than three minutes, and invite people all over our Region into the journey while you're at it. Please enjoy, and please share.

NEW: Upcoming Stewardship Online Courses If you have any questions about resources or ways to receive support with stewardship work in your community of faith, please reach out to Vicki Nelson at vnelson@united-church.ca. A great place to kick-start your stewardship work is through one of our programs. Here is what is upcoming:
N: *Getting Starred in Stewardship* - Wednesday, April 10 at 3pm or 5:30pm CT / 2pm or 4:30 MT Come on your own, or come with a team and join United Church people from across the country to learn some stewardship first principles. This 90 minute course is the place to start if you are new to stewardship or need a refresher. Register or learn more right here.

NEW: From Fear to Faith: How to talk about money in church - Thurs, April 25 at noon MT & 1pm CT This 60-minute session is for church leaders—both clergy and lay—to unpack some of the fears we have around talking about money and giving in church. Let's chat how we can move from scarcity, secrecy, obligation, and transaction towards abundance, transparency, joy and transformation. We will cover the practical and theological rationale for straightforward conversations about individual giving and how the church receives and uses money. To register click [here](#). N: Setting Up Your Giving Program - Starts the week of April 30 and requires a team (3-5 people) to participate. This course is designed for you to develop the resources you need to get your Congregational Giving Program off the ground! To register or learn more click [here](#).

Updated Earth Day Monday April 22: resources and plans! Communities of faith, networks, and regions are invited to initiate and participate in climate justice events during the week of April 21–28 to pray, learn, and act for the love of Creation. This is a tremendous opportunity for the church to lift up and strengthen the ways that we are putting our house in order by reducing our carbon footprint; raising our spirited voices through advocacy efforts; connecting with the earth; and challenging ourselves to respond to climate impacts. Here are a range of resources from the national church to support your work. Please click [here](#) for the Moderator's 2024 video message. Please click [here](#) for ecumenical resources to help you plan Together for the Love of

Creation: Earth Week April 21-28, 2024.

Finally, please keep in mind the Climate Motivators Program. Do you know a young adult who could help the church live into its climate justice commitments? Please tell them about a paid opportunity through the national church's The GO Project — Engaging faith-based curriculum for children and youth. Deadline: April 15, 2024.

Committee meetings

UCW - 1st Wednesday @ 2 pm

Outreach - 2nd Thursday @ 4pm

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

Choir practice - Sundays 9:30 a.m.

Weekly Schedule

Moose Jaw Scouting	Social Hall	Monday Friday/Sunday	Bi-weekly 5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Mon. Thurs.	6:00pm
Youth group w/Lisa	Chapel	Sunday Tues.	1:00pm 7:00pm
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tues. Thur.	6:00pm

Line Dancing	Social Hall	Wednesday	10:00am
Bible study	Minister's Office	Wednesday	10:00am
Easy Does It (Al-Anon)	Lounge	Wednesday	7:00pm
Movement with Sue	Chapel	Wednesday	5:30pm
Hi-Steppers (A.A.)	Lounge	Fri.	7:00pm
Enough is enough (N/A)	Lounge Chapel	Sun., Mon., Tues. Thurs. Friday	7:00 p.m.