





Welcome to  
Sunday Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m., July 7th, 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.”

Sheila Leahy has prepared your service today; Jenna Nash leads the choir with Karen Purdy and Hannah Elich taking turns on the piano/organ; 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!

**Welcome:**

**Treaty Acknowledgement:**

**Announcements and Celebrations:**

**Celebration Box:**

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

## Lighting the Christ Candle:



### Call to Worship:

We look at the hills around us; we are awestruck at the splendour of the lakes, captivated by the endless, starry skies,

**and joy fills our hearts for all God has given us.**

We remember the support and encouragement of family and

friends in the journey of life,

**and thanksgiving overflows for all God has given us.**

We think back to the inspiration that has been ours in church: the down-to-

earth leaders, the soaring song and music,

**and our worship resounds with praise for all God has given us.**

We consider the future with all its joys, its uncertainties, and its challenges,

**and we rest secure in the loving presence that God will always give us.**

We come to worship God.

### Opening Prayer:

One: Precious Lord, God of Creation, welcome to our morning! It is your morning, really – you made it, and you made us.

**All: But today, we have taken time to join with each other to celebrate!**

**We join our prayers to the prayers of the world: birds singing,**

**flowers bold with colour, summer laughing with delight.**

One: Receive our prayers as we turn to you, seeking time—quality time-- with you.

**All: Feed our minds with your world.**

**Break through our resistances with your Holy Spirit.**

**Sharpen our awareness of our presence so we may be refreshed and renewed and ready to serve you.**

One: As we open ourselves in this time of reflection and praise, we remember the people who are hurting in our world. (PAUSE)

Holy One, mingle our spirit with yours so our world may recognize your love in us and through us, as we meet, in your name, in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Opening Hymn: M V # 1 Let Us Build a House**

 **Scripture Readings**

Ezekiel 2:1 – 5

**Psalms 48 V. U. P. 772 (with refrain)**

Mark 6:1-13

**Response:**

These are our words from scripture.

**May God bless our understanding.**

**Hymn: M V # 12 Come Touch Our Hearts (V. 1, 2, 3, & 4)**

## **Reflection: What are We Doing?**

**Hymn: M V # 6 Holy Spirit Come into Our Lives**

## **Minute for Mission:**

**Response Hymn: M V # 115 Behold, Behold**

## **Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer:**

**..... Our Mother and 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.**

**Closing Hymn: M V # 150 Spirit God, Be Our  
Breath**

## **Blessing and Sending Forth:**

**Go from here and enjoy this summer season: at  
home or away, God will  
be with you.**

**In good times and challenging times, God will**

**support us. As we face our challenges, God will steady us. As we face challenges as a church, God will work with us. As we strive to welcome others, God will call on us to open hands and hearts. We have confidence, we go in hope, for God goes with us. Amen.**

**Our thanks to Megan Nash for sponsoring this bulletin cover!**

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

## **Living Skies Regional Council Prayer Cycle 2024 July 7**

Saskatoon: McClure

Moosomin: Bethel (*Moosomin*)

Northern Lakes (*Loon Lake, Paradise Hill, St. Walburg*)

### **Latest news from St. Andrews:**

Attendance June 16 - 36

Local: \$388.00

**NEW:** Weekly expenditures:

June 10 – 16      \$2538.25

June 17 – 23      \$10,10.74

June 24 – 30      \$4,828.93

Other donations:

M & S: \$21.00

PAR – Monthly - \$1295.00, M&S - \$145.00

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### **Announcements:**

**We need more people to do security for Sundays. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Thanks!**

### **Living Skies Regional Council News**

**NEW: Last Rambler until August 21.** As summer has arrived, so has the time for rest and relaxation (summer holidays). The Regional Rambler will be suspended until late August. However, if important items or information arises during this time, it will be distributed in a timely manner. Also, for those on Facebook, keep an eye on the Regional Council Facebook page for any announcements. Have a safe summer!

**NEW: Canada Day and Staff Summer Holidays**  
Please note that Living Skies staff will be observing Canada Day on Monday, July 1. For staff holidays, not all have firm plans at this time, but some definitely do. Please check with individual staff about their schedules. Autoresponders and email messages may give more details. Please note that Tracy Murton, Pastoral Relations Minister, will be on sabbatical from June 28- September 30 inclusive. If you need immediate assistance during this time, please contact Bev Diebert at

church.ca and she will direct your question

**NEW:** Standing Together Against Hate Based on Religious Identity The Canadian Interfaith Conversation has issued a statement on behalf of over 60 signatory faith traditions and institutions, including The Canadian Council of Churches, of which the United Church is a founding member. The goal: to present a common public position adopted by Canada's faith communities, on combatting hate against and between our country's religious communities. [https://councilofchurches.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/statement\\_en.pdf](https://councilofchurches.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/statement_en.pdf)

**NEW:** A Time for Gratitude - Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre A community gathering and farewell to Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre is planned for Thursday, July 18, late afternoon & evening. These events welcome ALL friends of Queen's House. For details, please see their home page: <https://www.queenshouse.org/>

### **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

Choir practice – Sundays 9:30 a.m.

