





Welcome to
Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 a.m., March 9th, 2025



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. 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!

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

Acknowledgement of the Territories

Call to Worship:

After he was baptized by John, Jesus went by himself to the wilderness where he was tempted. *and ever. Amen*

Forty days in the desert, Jesus was tempted to become relevant, spectacular, and powerful.

Today, we begin to journey with Jesus through the season of Lent, which brings us to face some of our own weaknesses and temptations.

Let us worship God and walk the journey together, seeking the spirit as our guide and companion along the way. Amen

Hymn VU# 217 All Creatures of Our God and King

Children's/Young at Heart Time

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer (All):

The desert is a place of emptiness, solitude and silence. It is a home of jackals, snakes and inner demons, beasts of the soul.

The Spirit of God led Jesus into such a place: in our aloneness, in our darkness, we are never alone.

In this sacred space, in these moments of stillness, our thoughts and silence are like incense.

Holy God, whose glory touches and transfigures the mind and the material, whose intimate, gentle Spirit embraces our vulnerability and fills our empty

spaces with hope, may we know the deep calm that only You can give.

Through the mystery of absence and presence, come, fill us with Your emptiness, Your eternal silence. Amen.

As we prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits to respond in eagerness. Let us pray together the way Jesus taught saying:

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

Scripture Reading:

1st Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11

2nd Reading: Psalm 91 (VU page 807, responsive)

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Response:

These are our words from scripture.

May God bless our understanding.

Reflection: What's It Gonna Take?

Hymn VU# 348 O Love, How Deep

Offertory Prayer & Dedication

O God, 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# 142 Oh a Song Must Rise

Prayers of the People

Final Hymn: MV# 209 Go, Make a Diff'rence

Blessing and Sending

Whatever wilderness the Spirit has brought you to:
walk in boldness, as a beloved child of God;
walk in peace, under the shelter of the Most High;
walk in faith, knowing Christ walks with us.

So go now in peace with, the Love of God the surround you, the grace of God to astound you, and the Hope of God to ground you. Amen

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 2025

March 9

National Affirming / PIE Day (March 14)

Imperial

Indian Head: St. Andrew's

Kamsack: Westminster

Announcements:

Council is looking for one person to join property, and one person to join the M&P Committee. If you're interested, please come talk to Council Chair John Aitken.

Latest news from St. Andrews:

Attendance: March 2, 2024 – 33

Local: \$560.00

Other donations:

M & S: 41.00

PAR – Monthly - \$ 825.00, M&S - \$120.00

Weekly expenditures: \$18.00

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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.