

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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6th Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2017

Welcome to St. Andrew's Church! If you are weary and in search of rest, if you are mourning and you long for comfort, if you are struggling and you desire victory, if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior, God welcomes you here in the name of Christ. To the stranger in need of fellowship, to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and to whoever will come, this congregation opens wide its doors and welcomes all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP, 11:00 A.M. APPROACH TO GOD

Organ Prelude: Now We Pray Unto Thee D. Buxtehude
Entry of the Bible (Congregation Standing)
Choral Introit: More Love To Thee E. Prentiss/M. Clarkson/W. H. Doane
Greeting

Call to Worship

One: Let us see you this day, O God,

All: Come to us as light.

One: Let us hear you this day, O God,

All: Come to us as truth.

One: Let us sense your presence, O God,

All: Come to us as love.

Hymn of Approach: Come, let us sing

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Prayers of Adoration, Confession

The Lord's Prayer: 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. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Hymn: Jesus, friend of all the children

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Children's Story and Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament: Acts 17: 22-31 Margie Coombes (page 137)

Responsive Psalm: 66: 8-20 (page 528)

Gospel: 1 Peter 3: 13-22 Jennifer Whitfield (page 234)

Anthem: If You Love Me John 14: 15-17/G. Chafe

Gospel: John 14: 15-21 (page 109)

Sermon: "*If You Love Me*"

Hymn: O God, in whom we live and move

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Announcements

Offering and Offertory: Musetta's Waltz from "La Boheme" G. Puccini

Doxology (822, vs. 4) and Offertory Prayer

Confession of Faith: 8.3.2-8.3.3 (p 24)

"Love means..."

Commissioning Hymn: All the way my Saviour leads me

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Benediction

Choral Amen:

Danish

Postlude: Saint Anthony Chorale

F. J. Haydn

NURSERY COORDINATOR: Agathe Ratsimandresy *For those who wish, a nursery is available in the church hall next door.*

The regular monthly meeting of the **AMS** will be held in the Hall following services on May 28. All are welcome to attend. A light lunch will be served.

*The Newfoundland Atlantic Mission Society Presbyterial will be held at St. David's on **June 7**, at 4PM, Supper served at 6PM. Evening session begins at 7.30PM with guest speaker Ken Templeton. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy a time of learning and fellowship.*

***** May 21 - May 27*****

Sun 11:00am Worship
Sunday School
Thurs 7:30pm Session Meeting

*****Upcoming*****

May 28 Financial Drive
AMS meeting
June 6 Board of Managers Meeting
June 11 Sunday School closure
June 14 41st Lobster Dinner
June 15 Session Meeting
June 18 Joint Picnic with St. David's

We welcome our Director of Music, Glenn Chafe to the pulpit today and next Sunday, as Rev. Krunys is away on study leave.

ANNIVERSARIES... May - 28 Alix Howson and Paul Linegar.

Minister Away: The minister will be in Montreal at a Continuing Education event May 15-23. Rev. David Sturtevant at St. David's is available for emergency services 699-3661.

STUDENT POSITION AVAILABLE: We have received word that we have the provincial funding for one summer student position. If you know a high school student who will be returning to High School in September or one who has applied for post secondary or a post secondary student who is interested, please contact the church office for further information. This is a time sensitive grant. Applications must be received by **May 22nd**. They can be dropped off at the church office or emailed.

Elder Elections...After 7 years since our last elders election, we will be holding new elections this spring. The Session has determined to increase their number by 6. Any person who has been a member for more than a year is eligible for election, and any member is eligible to vote. Anyone wishing to become a member should know it is not an onerous process, and can be done by an act of Session. Our hope is to close voting before the end of May, and install new elders prior to the summer. Please see the included list of members with this bulletin. Unfortunately during the vacancy our records became incomplete, the Session and Minister have attempted to compile a complete list. If you are not on the list, and believe you should be, let the office know, and we will make corrections. If you would like to become a voting member, let us know, and the Session has the power to add your name to our official roll. Thank you for your attention to this aspect of our election process.

To provide some information about what the Session is and does, a small sample is taken from the **Book of Forms** which describes their intended role within our church:

Election to the eldership is the call of God, through the congregation, for service in Christ's Church. Since the eldership is a spiritual office concerned with the rule and pastoral oversight of the congregation, only suitable men and women should be considered. They should be committed Christians, in regular attendance at public worship, persons of sound

judgment and upright character, and either knowledgeable or prepared to learn of the government of the church.

The session is responsible for seeking out, preparing and admitting persons as professing members, and for the pastoral care of all persons within the fellowship of the congregation.

The session is responsible for providing for the program of Christian education for persons of all ages in order that they may be confronted by the gospel, may grow in faith, participate in the life of the Christian community and be active witnesses to Christ in the world.

The session is responsible for all aspects of stewardship and mission, both spiritual and material, within the congregation.

BENEVOLENT FUND: Your contributions to the St. Andrew's Benevolent Fund help support special need situations. Contributions can be made individually or through your regular offering envelope by marking "Benevolent" in "Other".

BRIDGES TO HOPE..... Thanks you for your generous donations. Your donations of our most sought after items help keep those shelves from reaching empty. Essential foods always in need include: Baked Beans (in tomato sauce, pork, etc.); Dry Pasta and Pasta in sauce; Canned meat and fish; Hearty soup and/or stew; Juice; Canned milk; Cereal (basic, not sugary); Margarine. Any assistance you could provide in helping acquire these items would be much appreciated.

Toe Covers: The AMS members would like to thank all those who participated in the knitting of the toe covers for the children of the Janeway. We sent 55 covers for the first delivery. Please continue to knit as the Janeway would still appreciate even more toe covers. Patterns are provided in the vestibule next to the wooden box. If you need further information please call Nettie Ryan at 753-1369. Your participation would be gratefully appreciated.

Preauthorized Remittances - PAR Many of us have automatic debits from our bank accounts to pay for mortgages, cable, electricity, etc. If you do then you understand PAR. It means regular donations throughout the year to St. Andrew's through direct debit from your account. For those who cannot make it to church on a regular basis, due to travel, illness or for some other reason, this is a way to help meet your financial commitment. If you wish to avail of this option, then you can contact the church office for an enrollment form at 709-726-5385.

SING LOUD, SING PROUD, a concert in support of the **Seniors Resource Centre NL**, featuring **Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir** will be presented on Thursday, 25 May 2017 at 7:30 PM at the D.F. Cook Recital Hall, School of Music, Memorial University. Tickets, \$20/15, are available at cantusvocum.com.

Bible Study.... will be cancelled for May 19th while the Minister is away. It will resume on May 26th.

Canadian Bible Society Annual General Meeting and Dinner
The Canadian Bible Society will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Thursday May 25th, at The Church of the Good Shepherd, 111 Richard Nolan Drive, Mount Pearl. Guest speaker Sam Parsons. Tickets are \$25. Doors open at 6:00, with dinner at 6:30. For tickets, please contact April or Carson at the Canadian Bible Society Office, 7 Stamps Lane, St. John's
1-709-722-7929 afurlong@biblesociety.ca,
or your congregational representative!

Financial Drive

The Financial Drive is on Sunday May 28th. Letters are being distributed asking for a donation to the Kirk. For those in areas closer to the Church, volunteer drivers will drop by to pick up your envelope. For those a little further away a return envelope is provided, or you can drop it in the collection plate. **We are still in need of drivers. Anyone who is able to assist by being a driver for this major fundraiser, please contact John Templeton at 687-7088 or John@Templetons.ca.** Look for your yellow envelope!

It is with great excitement that we announce the Kirk's highly anticipated 41st Annual Lobster Dinner has been scheduled. This year we will be holding the dinner on Wednesday, June 14th at 7:00pm. As always your meal will include: 2 Full Lobster, 3 Side Salads, Dinner Roll, Wine, Dessert, Tea and Coffee. You still have the option of joining us in the Hall for the Dine-In Dinner or the equally as enjoyable Take-Out option (Deliveries also available). Tickets are available for purchase at a cost of \$55 each. For more information or to purchase your tickets, please contact Elizabeth at the church office - 726-5385 or email kirklobster@gmail.com.

Please note....The Board of Managers will meet on JUNE 6th.