

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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

Prelude: Air On The G String (from Suite in D)

J.S. Bach, arr. S.D. Wolff

* Entry of the Bible (* Standing as able)

* Introit: Now To Christ Who Loved Us (#554, BOP)

Words: S.M. Waring Music: H.J. Gauntlett

* Greeting

* Call to Worship:

L: The light of the Lord is shining.

A: **Like a candle in the darkness.**

L: We come, attracted by the warm glow of your presence.

A: **Shine your light around us, in us, through us.**

L: Let your presence fill this place.

A: **Let your light shining here, illuminate our world.**

*Hymn of Approach: Lord the light of your love #376

Prayers of Adoration and 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, and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

* Children's Hymn: Father, I adore you #292

Children's Story and Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: This Is The Threefold Truth (#365, BOP)

Words: F. Pratt Green Music: J. Schrader

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 17 (p 496)

First Lesson: Judges 19:11-30 David Baird (p 237)

Sermon: *"When God's People Crashed and Burned"*

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:1-11 Nettie Ryan (p 245)

* Hymn: Thou whose almighty word #291

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Announcements

Offering and Offertory: Notturmo (Theme from String Quartet No. 2)

A. Borodin

* Doxology (822 vs. 4) and Offertory Prayer

* **Confession of Faith:** Living Faith 2.1.3 (*unison*) (p6)

" We affirm God's righteous and loving purpose..."

* Hymn: The great Physician now is near #359

* Benediction

* Choral Amen: Threefold Amen Danish

Postlude: Fanfare in C Major

H. Purcell, arr. E. Power Biggs

Welcome

Our Kirk Family welcomes you. We welcome those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, gay, confused, filthy rich, just comfortable, or dirt poor.

We extend a special welcome to the wailing babies and excited toddlers.

We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quietly to yourself. You're welcome here if you're 'just browsing,' just woken up, or just got out of prison. We don't care if you're "more Christian" than the apostle Paul, or if you haven't been to church since Christmas Eve ten years ago, or even if you just stumbled in by accident looking for a pathway to The Rooms.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60, but have not yet grown up, and to the teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome keep-fit mums, hockey dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegans, and junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, down in the dumps, or even if you don't like 'organized religion' (you will soon find that we are not all that organized).

We offer welcome to those who think the earth is flat, who work too hard, who don't work, if you have three degrees or can't spell, or if you are only here just because you wanted to make grandma happy. Our family welcomes you.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, or had religion shoved down their throat as kids, or if you got lost in the city and wound up here by mistake. We welcome all the pilgrims, the tourists, the seekers, the doubters, and most certainly, of all, we welcome YOU.

*"Welcome one another
just as Christ has welcomed you."
Romans 15:7*

Welcome to "The Kirk"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY.... Nov - 18 Dorothy Abery; Nov - 20 Sheila MacKenzie, Alexanne Oke, Thomas Petten; Nov - 21 Lesley Oke. Nov - 26 Ian Wishart, Holly Slade, Kayla Musseau.

The Sympathy of the Congregation is extended to the family and friends of Lorna MacDonald who died Thursday, November 15th. The funeral will take place in Random Island.

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".

If Pastoral Care is required please contact Rev. Derek Krunys on his cell phone (687-7742) or at the office (726-5385).

Vision Team. Following our time with Stanley Ott Oct 25-28, a vision team has formed. They include the minister, Rev. Derek Krunys, Susan Elton-Squires, Mike Gillan, Jenny Pallard, Nettie Ryan, Kim Marshall and Candace Peters. Any of us would be happy to bring thoughts, concerns, or ideas you have to the group. We have already embraced the truth that we must be the people of God before we can do the work of God, with that in mind many of our meetings will now be beginning with a Word, Share, Prayer exercise introduced to us that weekend. Some other ideas are already in the works. Larger issues, like the sustainability of our building and how many committees and structures we maintain are long term projects.

The Visioning Team met for the first time last week and have set up a dedicated email for ease of communication between them and the congregation. Please use **visionfortheKirk@gmail.com**

Rainbow Communion is a special committee of the General Assembly that has been empowered to invite LGBTQI persons to tell stories of harm done to them within and by the church, and to share their stories of God's grace experienced by them in Christian ministry. Those who wish to share their stories will be encouraged to do so by whatever means is best for them. Rainbow Communion Listening Spaces currently run until June 15, 2019 (but may be extended). Stories shared will be kept confidential, and received in a safe, affirming, respectful manner. The committee will take these stories as the basis for a report outlining concrete actions to address homophobia within the church. You may know of family or friends that have been part of St. Andrew's in the past who may be interested in this work, and are invited to share this information with them. More

information can be found at: <https://presbyterian.ca/listening/> Direct contact can be made at rainbowcommunion@presbyterian.ca or by calling 1-800-619-7301 ext. 300.

The regular monthly meeting of the **AMS** will be held in the Hall following services on **NOVEMBER 18th**. All are welcome to attend. A light lunch will be served.

Hard of Hearing Workshop and luncheon will be held this Sunday, November 18th at 12:30 in the Gym. A light luncheon will be served. All are welcome to attend.

Please note.... This year our Christmas Eve services will be 4:30pm for the family worship and 11pm for our Candlelight service.

Kirk Association Christmas Sale and Morning Coffee..... On Saturday, December 1st,, the Kirk Association will hold its annual Christmas Sale and Morning Coffee from 10am to Noon. We will need lots of help at the sale and lots of donations for the various stalls. Knitted goods, craft items and baked goods are always well received and we would appreciate all contributions. Let's make this event a really successful one! Tell your friends, family and co-workers and let's all get into the Christmas Spirit.

*The **Atlantic Mission Society** of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is currently seeking submissions and ideas for the disbursement of the available funds from the Lorna Robertson Bequest which are used to support mission work outside Canada. All members of the congregation and groups within the congregation are encouraged to make suggestions for the disbursement of funds. Please submit your suggestions in writing to the Church office at St. Andrew's by **Wednesday, November 28th**, to the attention of AMS.*

In celebration of International Day of People with Disabilities on December 3, 2018 **Easter Seals NL** invites our families and participants to an Information and Feedback Sharing Session. This "open house" atmosphere will allow all interested parties to share their feedback with Easter Seals Staff, our CEO and our Board. It will also allow us to pass along valuable information on our programs and services and the next phase for the Park so we can all continue to grow and work together as part of our Easter Seals NL community.

Date: Monday, December 3, 2018

Time: 7 pm

Location: Husky Energy Easter Seals House Multipurpose Room, 206 Mt. Scio Road. Light refreshments will be served, and all are welcome. Please RSVP by November 29, 2018 to Ashley ashley@eastersealsnl.ca or 754-

1399 ext 226 to help us with planning. We hope to see you there! Bridges to Hope is launching their 2018 Miracle on Cookstown Road Campaign and we need volunteers! We will be canvassing at the St. John's Farmers' Market and at Holy Heart Theatre shows throughout November and December. Please contact: Josie Naterer at jnaterer@bridgestohope.ca for more information and to sign-up.

Hope for the Holidays - a Christmas gala of brass and choral music with special guest, Darrin Martin. The evening will feature pianist Brian Way, NewFound Brass and a 100 voice Festive Chorus. The audience will be invited to join in familiar carols and warm-hearted songs of the season. Begin your festive season with The Salvation Army in the elegant, century old surroundings of Gower Street Church on December 8th at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and available at The Salvation Army Office at the Village Mall or at the door.

Christmas Wreaths...The Scout group had a project for many years to produce and sell Christmas wreaths. This year there are no active Scouting sections at St. Andrew's but there is still a core group of adult wreath makers willing to go into production. This year it will be a fundraiser with profits going to St. Andrew's Church. If you can give a hand making or decorating wreaths in the hall on Monday Nov 26th or Monday Dec 6th from 6-10pm please contact John@Templetons.ca or 687-7088. Also we are looking for a source of nice size pinecones, if you have a few or know a good tree let John know. Wreaths will be \$25 with limited production of about 50.

*****Nov 18 - Nov 24*****

Sun	11:00am	Worship
	11:10	Sunday School
	12:30pm	Hard of Hearing Workshop
	12:30	AMS Meeting and lunch

****Upcoming****

Nov 25	Service 10am – Santa Claus Parade
	Baptism – Cullen Graham Brophy
Dec 01	Kirk Association Christmas Sale
Dec 02	St. Andrew's Sunday/Communion
Dec 16	White Gift Sunday
Dec 21/22	Rotary Christmas Hampers
Dec 22	Pageant Rehearsal and Pizza Party
Dec 23	Pageant Sunday
Dec 24	4:30pm Family Service
	11:00pm Candlelight Service