

WELCOME TO IONA

We are pleased to gather together for worship today. Join us after the service for fellowship time. If you wish more information on our congregation, please speak to the duty elder or the minister.

Pastoral information cards are located in the front of the hymn books.

Interim Moderator: The Rev. Dr. PA (Sandy) McDonald

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We gather on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Mi'kmaq bind us together as we strive for healing and reconciliation. We offer thanks for their stewardship of this good earth!

June 30, 2024, 10:00 am

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting Elder: Susan Osborne

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

(Please stand, if able, as the worship leader enters and then be seated.)

Prelude: (Time for prayer and silent reflection)

Greeting: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you. The Ministry of God's People**

APPROACH TO THE WORD

***Choral Introit 27:** "As the deer"

***Call to Worship:**

L: Out of the depths we cry to the Lord.

All: We will wait upon the Lord.

L: Hope in the Lord!

All: For with God there is steadfast love;

L: With God there is great power to redeem.

All: So we offer prayers and praise to God in whom we trust.

***Hymn 814:** "Morning Has Broken"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

L: Great and gracious God,
your glory speaks in the beauty of creation,
your majesty stretches to the depths of space.
You are the wellspring of hope
and the fountain of healing mercy.
We marvel at your love that overflows in our lives
and into the world you have made.
We worship you in gratitude,
offering you our trust

because you have come to us in Christ Jesus.
Receive our love and loyalty,
offered to you each day as the Spirit prays within us.

**All: Great and merciful God,
We confess we sometimes lose trust in you.
When we feel desperate, we wonder where you are.
In the face of tragedy or disaster,
we ask how you could let such things happen.
We forget to reach out to you.
Forgive us, O God, when we give up on your love.
Reassure us that your love in Christ Jesus will never let us go.**

Assurance of Pardon

HEARING THE WORD

First Reading: 2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27

Responsive Reading: Psalm 130; **Gloria Patri (sung)**

***Hymn 314:** "God is love, Come Heaven, adoring"

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Gospel: Mark 5: 21-43

One: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ**

***Hymn 635:** "Brother sister let me serve you"

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering followed by The Doxology (sung # 830)

***Affirmation of Faith:** #539 Apostles' Creed

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) (#831)

***Hymn 399:** "Spirit of Gentleness"

***Commissioning and Benediction**

***Choral Amen**

Postlude

* Please stand if able

Large print hymnbooks are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Thank you to **Mary Pyche, an elder at St Andrew's** for leading the service this morning. Join us for lemonade after the service hosted by **Christian Education** this week and by **AMS** next week.

Announcements:

06/30/2024

- If anyone would like a Prayer Shawl over the summer months, please contact Evelyn Brown at 902-466-2558 or speak to an AMS member.
- We are looking for someone who might be interested in cutting the church lawn for the summer. If you have children, grandchildren or someone else who might like the opportunity to make some money this summer please contact Perry Mason. All the equipment is supplied by the church. The person must be old enough to handle a self-propelled mower as well as a gas operated whipper snipper. The lawn normally takes one person, 3-4 hours to complete and would need to be done every one to two weeks depending upon the growth. The pay for each mowing is \$100.