



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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19th Sunday after Pentecost, October 15, 2017

Service Colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible by the Beadle (All who are able are invited to stand)

The Greeting:

M: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

Doxology (830) and Bible Sentence

Hymn: 313

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Holy and caring God, on this, the day of resurrection, we gather in this place to catch a fresh glimpse of your nature, to rejoice in your mercy and grace, to gain new insight into your will, and to have communion with you and one another in the community of faith.

Before you and with one another, we make our confession. Though you made us, we sometimes act as if we are self-made, feeling no need to serve you, our Maker, no duty to follow you, our Saviour, and no responsibility to listen to you, our Guide. Often we are confused and torn by our loyalty to you and the temptation to conform to our culture. When we face conflict between the two, enable us to have the courage to be faithful to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

M. The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C. And also with you. Hallelujah (Hymn 294) will be sung.

The Passing of the Peace – offer the words "Peace" or "The Peace of Christ".

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 421 (2), 307 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Anthem: Sing a New Song to the Lord Natalie Sleeth

Lessons: Exodus 32: 1-14 (p.72); Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23; Philippians 4: 1-9 (p.175); Matthew 22: 1-14 (p.21)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hymn: 447 (unannounced)

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

The Offertory Hymn: 557; **The Creed** (hymn book – inside front cover) & Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others (beginning with):

M. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

M. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors)

Hymn: 620 (unannounced)

The Commissioning, Benediction, Choral Amen & Silent Prayer

Song: *Go Now In Peace* (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude; The Greeting of those nearby in the pews/aisles

Greeting Elder: Mary Pyche

Usher: Gregg Lambert

Beadle: Marg Bingley

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Mary Pyche

Accompanist: Helen Martin

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Mon: 7:00 p.m. Opening Service for The Synod of Atlantic Provinces at Calvin Church, Halifax

Tues: 9 – 5:30 p.m. Synod at Calvin Church

Wed: 9 a.m. – noon Synod at Calvin Church; 6:30 p.m. Choir

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery

Oct. 29 3:00 p.m. Presbytery Service at The Presbyterian Church of Saint David to mark the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. All welcome!

Nov. 4 2-4 p.m. Tea & Sale – Volunteer sign-up sheets in lobby

Sponsorship of a Refugee Family: The family arrived on July 13: Moamar Ahmed, his spouse: Sabah Durra and their 2 children: a girl - Zainab (3) and a boy - Hussam (2); if you wish to help with this project by making a gift of money, please mark your envelope/PAR envelope clearly: REFUGEE FAMILY.

Hope Cottage Ministry: For many years, St Andrew's has given food (stew, margarine, fruit) once a month to Hope Cottage. More volunteers are needed for this ministry which takes place on the second Wednesday of each month. A volunteer provides stew (a very easy recipe is used!) every second month and either margarine or fruit in the other months. A schedule is provided for each volunteer. Some may want to volunteer for part of the year. For information or to volunteer, call Kathy Kennedy 902-469-0268

There is a Prayer Board on the chime cupboard door beside the elevator door in the upper lobby. Please feel free to place prayer requests on this board e.g. person for whom you desire prayers. The minister will find a discreet way to include these requests in the intercessions/prayers for others in the last prayer at services. Persons may view this Board and add the requests to their daily prayers. The Session has made arrangements for this Board as a way of enriching the prayer life of our congregation. Paper and pencil are there for your requests.

Bluenose Bottle Exchange – 99 Woodlawn Rd. – St. Andrew's has an account at this location; your "returns" can be designated for St. Andrew's Presbyterian. The money received is given to Camp Geddie.

Can Tabs – Please save can tabs for the purchase of wheel chairs. Bring them to the lobby.

Please save used stamps for the Leprosy Mission. Leave a 1/4" margin.

October 15 – World Food Day (October 16)

Today, 800 million people worldwide go to bed with an empty stomach. The majority of the world's hungry people are subsistence farmers. These farmers struggle to cultivate plentiful harvests in the midst of a changing climate, which brings unpredictable and extreme weather events that devastate crops. The Canadian Foodgrains Bank's Climate Fund is a way for Canadians to respond to families impacted by climate change. This year, donations to the Climate Fund will support PWS&D's agro-ecological and food security project in Guatemala. The project has been transformative for Catalina, a farmer who received support to adapt to climate change, grow more vegetables and improve her family's nutrition. "I am grateful that we can see another way to live a healthy life," she says.

PWS&D helps small-scale farmers adapt to climate change