



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 21, 2018

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: 171

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Creating and loving God, you are our rock when we feel that we are on shifting ground; you are our shelter when we feel weak because of the storms in our experience. We praise you this day and always for your help in the past, for your guidance each day, and for the promises you have made to us.

O God, who knows us better than we know ourselves, we confess that by thought, word and deed we have gone against you and one another. We confess that while we know we are made to live in harmony with the earth and one another, our concern for status and security blinds us to all that unites us. We confess that anger and resentment are so much easier for us than the challenging work of understanding, listening and showing compassion. We confess that we do not recognize the power that the ways of the world have over us. In your grace, enable us to walk in a new way from this day forward; 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: 471, 646 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Lessons: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 (p.814); Psalm 62: 5-12; 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 (p.149); Mark 1: 14-20 (p.30)

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: 451 (unannounced)

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

The Offertory; **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: 753 (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: Ricky Sloan

Usher: Cassie & Erin Sloan

Beadle: Marg Bingley

Elevator Guide: Gordon Ross

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Ricky Sloan

Accompanist: Helen Martin

Audio: Wade MacDonald

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 7:00 p.m. Special Session Committee

Tues: 11:45 a.m. Presbytery of Halifax and Lunenburg

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour & birthday cake

Our Sponsorship of a Refugee Family: The family arrived in July 2017: 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

Sat. Feb. 3 4-6 p.m. Congregational Gathering in the Church Hall at which our Refugee Family will be our guests. Pizza! All welcome!

Carol (Ritcey) Thorne who was a member of St. Andrew's and the choir in the 70's died January 19 in Annapolis Royal.