



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Third Sunday in the Great 50 Days of Easter, April 15, 2018

Service colour: White

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: 260

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Caring God, our Maker, with the Psalmist we exclaim: You, O Lord, make me lie down in safety. Risen Lord, our Redeemer, you make us witnesses of your love and care in many ways and you invite us to be witnesses to your grace in our living. Holy Spirit, Breath of God, you teach us that we are your precious children.

Gracious God, in the light of your glory, we see the evil that we have done, the suffering that we have caused, the good that we have refused, and the truth that we have denied. Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with our grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel; 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: 655 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Anthem: Sing a new song to the Lord W. Sleeth/J.A. Shafferman

Lessons: Acts 3: 12-19 (p.105); Psalm 4; 1 John 3: 1-7 (p.212); Luke 24: 36-48 (p.78)

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

Glorify 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: 247 (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: 251 (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: Linda Russell

Usher: Jim Russell

Beadle: Lois Dewar

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Janet Holden

Accompanist: Helen Martin

Audio: Ross Barkhouse

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour & Birthday cake; 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Youth Group

Tues: 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry; Presbytery Retreat

Wed: 6:30 p.m. Choir

Sat: 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Spring Tea & Sale All welcome

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

We are pleased once again to welcome The Rev. Professor Dr. John Vissers, the Principal of Knox College, Toronto since July 1, 2017. Dr. Vissers preached here during our 60th anniversary celebrations when he was the Moderator of the General Assembly. Our Clerk of Session, Cheryl Weeks, will make a presentation to Dr. Vissers for the Knox College Special Capital Campaign; St. Andrew's has reached and surpassed the goal of \$50,000 chosen by the elders a few years ago.

Calendar:

April 28 8:30 a.m. Annual Mission Breakfast sponsored by the Youth Group

Theme: Refugee Family Ministry. The family will be present. Please sign the sheet in the lobby if you plan to attend.

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.

Our Sponsorship of a Refugee Family: The family arrived in July 2017: Moamar Ahmad, 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.

There is a sheet in the lobby for persons to sign who would be willing to take the family on an outing to the following places: e.g. Discovery Centre, Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, hockey game, bowling or Play land.

Camp Geddie is looking forward to receiving registrations for 2018 summer camps. The minister has details or check the website.

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.

Gordon Sutherland, who was a charter member of this congregation, died on April 13; he is a brother of Isabelle Young and Sadie Hurst, an uncle of Kathy Sloan and a great-uncle of Ricky Sloan.