



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The 50th Day of the Great 50 Days of Easter, May 20, 2018

Service Colour: Red

Day of Pentecost

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), The Royal Anthem(announced) and Bible Sentence

Hymn: 277

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Loving God, we gather together to celebrate the birthday of the church and to give thanks for your Spirit – your wind that gives us life and your fire that gives us eagerness to love and serve you and all your children.

By your Spirit, you give us energy, but sometimes we waste this gift by saying things that hurt others, by being jealous and unkind. By your Spirit, you make us a community of faith, but sometimes we claim that our ideas are the only right ones for the community. Shape our lives by your Spirit by giving us a burning desire to follow where you lead us, and by prompting us to bear the fruits of your Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, and self-control; 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: 381 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Anthem: Like the murmur of the dove's song C.P. Daw/P. Cutts/R. Lau

Lessons: Acts 2: 1-8, 11b-21 (p.103); Psalm 104: 24-34; Romans 8: 22-27 (p.138); John 16:4b-15 (p.96)

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: 390 (Tune: 374) (unannounced)

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

Prayer

The Offertory Hymn: 394; **The Creed** (hymn book – inside front cover) &

Prayer

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (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.

Prayer...saying in unison:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer...and the Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors)

All (sung): Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (2)

The Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the feast and for the faithful in the past

Hymn: 276 (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: Marg Bingley

Usher: Bob Armstrong

Beadle: Kathy Sloan

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Readers: Marg Bingley, Jacqueline Swift

Accompanist: Helen Martin

Audio: Ross Barkhouse

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Wed: 6:30 p.m. Choir

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

Holy Communion: The metal Chalices contain wine; the glass ones contain grape juice. The server on the Chancel stairs has gluten-free crackers and grape juice.

Vacation Bible Camp July 9 – 13 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Ages 4 – 10
Singing, Bible stories, Games, Crafts, Snacks, Worship, Skits. Registration forms in the lobby.

Grace United Church May 26 8:00 a.m. – Noon Plant and Bake Sale

Sunday, May 27 3:00 p.m. “Turn! Turn! Turn!” Seton Conservatory Choir
Maritime Conservatory of the Performing Arts, 6199 Chebucto Rd., Halifax

These Days - the daily devotional booklet: it is renewal time and also the time for new subscribers to buy a subscription for the period July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019. For each day there is a Bible reading, a meditation and a prayer. Cost per year: \$13.64; large print: \$15.74. Jean Bartholomew is our “These Days” Secretary. Payment: a cheque to “St. Andrew’s Church”. Some may wish to put the fee in their envelope.

Our welcoming of a family from Syria: In July 2017, Moamar and Sabah Ahmad, and their two children: Zainab (4) – a girl and Hussam (3) – a boy came to our community. If you wish to help with our welcoming of this family by making a gift of money, please mark your envelope/Par envelope clearly: REFUGEE MINISTRY. If you wish to help with the cost of their getting a car, please mark your envelope: car cost.

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

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

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.

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

There are copies of the newsletter in the lobby and on the pulpit piano.

Medical ministry in Nepal

“We serve, Jesus heals” is the motto of Tansen Mission Hospital in western Nepal, which serves a population of one million. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support Dr. Nicholaus Bauman, a surgeon appointed to the United Mission to Nepal. As part of the Tansen Hospital medical and surgical team, made up of Nepali and international physicians, Nick responds to referrals for gynecology, urology, and abdominal problems. Nick also teaches post-graduate students enrolled in the Medical Doctorate in General Practice. He shares, “Our faith community has always stressed the importance of mission, particularly the sense that our lives are not our own, but are gifts, and that we are entrusted by God to be stewards of this gift.” Nick is joined in Nepal by his wife Becky and their four children.

Presbyterians Sharing supports international mission staff

Easing suffering in Bangladesh

Since the outbreak of state-led violence against the Rohingya minority in Myanmar’s Rakhine state, Safiri has been living in fear. Her husband was shot and her entire village burned to the ground. One night, fearing an attack by members of the army, she fled with her children across dangerous countryside to the Balukhai camp in Bangladesh. Their arrival brought new challenges—shelter conditions were miserable and food, water and sanitation services scarce. Safiri’s story of suffering is hard to grasp, but her needs for survival are very real. PWS&D, alongside Canadian Foodgrains Bank and ACT Alliance, is helping Rohingya refugees like Safiri meet their basic needs and find hope that life will once again be normal.

PWS&D responds to meet the needs of refugees