



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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16th Sunday after Pentecost, Sept. 9, 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: 410

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

O God, whose ear hears our prayers, whose eye watches over us, whose hand leads us, whose arms embrace us, and whose voice corrects and encourages us, we honour you for surrounding us with your grace and peace. To you our Creator, Saviour and Teacher, we offer our praise and gratitude.

Caring and merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. We admit that our knowledge of you is partial, our love for you is fickle, and our service in your name is inconsistent. Before you and with one another, we confess that we fail to grow into your likeness. In your kindness, you have assured us that you are slow to be angry with us. In your tender love, grant to us your forgiveness and peace and, through the light of your Spirit, enable us to follow your way with joy and eagerness; 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: 373, 625 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Lessons: Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 (p.566); Psalm 125; James 2: 1-17

(p.202); Mark 7: 24-37 (p.37)

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: 86 (unannounced) (paraphrase of Psalm 125)

Sermon – The Ascension 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: 632 (Tune: 479) (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: Erin Sloan

Beadle: Lois Dewar

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Janet Holden

Audio: Jean St-Pierre

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Wed: 3:15 p.m. Hope Cottage Ministry; 6:30 p.m. Choir; 7:15 p.m. Kilted Choir

Fri: 7:00 p.m. AMS Holy Communion Service All welcome

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery Preacher: Rev. Derek Krunys, Moderator of The Synod of the Atlantic Provinces

Church Calendar:

Sept. 14 - 16 We are hosting the AMS General Society Annual Meeting.

Sept. 23 Pizza and Birthday cake after the 10:30 a.m. service Sign the sheet in the lobby if you plan to attend.

Sept. 25 7:00 p.m. Guild Meeting

Oct. 7 World Communion Sunday & Harvest Thanksgiving Celebration

Nov. 3 2-4 p.m. Tea and Sale

Nov. 11 Service arrangements to be announced