



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Third Sunday in the Great Fifty Days of Easter, April 18, 2021

Service colour: White

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 9:00 a.m. (Communion) & 10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (All who are able standing)

Bible Sentence & 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. 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. Forgive our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel. Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen

Assurance of Pardon & The Peace

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 255 (vs. 1,2, & 3) (all seated)

Lessons: Psalm 4; 1 John 3: 1-3 (p.212); Luke 24: 36-48 (p.78)

Sermon

The Offertory Hymn: 260 (vs.1,2 & 3) (all seated)

Living Faith & Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer

Psalm 61: 1-4; 69: 1-3 (verses to assist us as we remember the loss of life and grief that began on April 18 & 19, 2020)

Hymn: 262 (all seated)

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: *Go Now In Peace* (all seated)

Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Marg Bingley, Alex Bruce

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald **Organist:** Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Reader: Ricky Sloan

Audio: Ross & Michael Barkhouse

Today: 11:20 a.m. Youth Group

Tues: 2:00 p.m. Ocean View Continuing Care Service

Sun: 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School

The bouquets of flowers in the Chancel are from the funeral of Winnie (Williamina) Thompson last Tuesday and from the funeral yesterday of Eldon Weeks.

On ZOOM on April 4: One of our members attending lives and works on Vancouver Island and one of our families lives in Denmark!

Mission Moment – Equipping Farmers to Thrive

Andrew and Flora successfully grow rice, cassava, maize and groundnuts on their two acres of farmland in Malawi as a result of adopting conservation agriculture practices to help their farm flourish and better cope with droughts. Last year, Andrew and Flora attended Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported training to learn how to rotate crops and protect the soil. In addition to conservation agriculture workshops, they also attended gender training where they learned the importance of working together. With these tools, Andrew and Flora now enjoy the rewards of conservation agriculture.

Mission Moment – Providing Clean Water and Sanitation

Today, there are 4.2 billion people in the world who do not have access to sanitation services and 2.2 billion people who do not have safe, clean water to drink. Consequently, many people are at risk for waterborne diseases, such as cholera and diarrhea. The COVID-19 pandemic has made us even more aware of the importance of clean water, as handwashing is a crucial way to help curb the spread of disease. Presbyterian World Service & Development works with local partners to bring clean water and sanitation services to vulnerable communities. Clean water allows people to harvest crops, care for their families, expand their livelihoods and lead healthy, productive lives