



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Fourth Sunday in the Great Fifty Days of Easter

May 8, 2022

Service colour: White

Good Shepherd & Christian Home Sunday

ORDER OF WORSHIP 9:00 a.m.(Communion);10:30 a.m.(also on ZOOM)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (All who are able standing)

Bible Sentence & Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn: 434 "For the beauty of the earth"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Blessed are you, O God, for sending Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together, to feed us with the food of your way, to take us to waters that quench our thirst for meaning, hope, and purpose, and to lead us away from dangerous ledges and deep valleys that cause much trouble for us. Blessed are you, Good Shepherd, for making us to lie down in green pastures and for restoring our souls.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep: we have followed too much the notions and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

Help us to rely on the One who made his home with us at that first Christmas and who is our good shepherd giving us comfort, hope and security; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn: 561 "*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us.*"

Assurance of Pardon & The Passing of the Peace

Psalm 23

Hymn: 703 "Happy the home" (all seated) Students at Chancel stairs

Lessons: Acts 9: 36-43 (p.112); Revelation 7: 9-17 (p.221); John 10: 22-30 (p.30)

Sermon

The Offertory Hymn: 691 "My shepherd" paraphrase of Psalm 23

Living Faith 8.2.1, 2 & 4 & Offertory Prayer

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

Hymn: 11 "The Lord's my shepherd" (paraphrase of Psalm 23)

Benediction & Choral Amen; Postlude & Fellowship on ZOOM

Welcoming Worshippers: Ricky Sloan

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Reader: Ricky Sloan

Audio: Ross & Mike Barkhouse, Cheryl Weeks

Mon: 2:00 p.m. Funeral for Phyllis Bayer – Atlantic Funeral Home

Tues: 7:00 – 11:00 a.m. Hope Cottage Ministry

Wed: 7:30 p.m. Fellowship, Bible & Prayer on ZOOM

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

These Days, a daily devotional booklet: Annual subscription :14.20 (small print); 16.25 (large print); please phone Jean Bartholomew 902-461-9013 by May 10 if you would like to start receiving this quarterly booklet. The subscription begins on July 1,2022 and ends on June 30, 2023.

Offerings:

Offerings may be mailed to the church, 216 School St., Dartmouth, NS B3A 2Y4 or sent by e-transfer to standrewspc216@gmail.com Please be sure to use the "Message" section on the e-transfer to indicate into which categories the gift is to be placed, i.e. Operating, Presbyterians Sharing (the national church budget), PWS&D, Camp Geddie, etc. At church, offering plates are at the top of the lobby stairs and on the large piano.

Prayer Circle - St. Andrew's has a Prayer Circle. Bonnie McLellan is the secretary: phone 902-434-4978, e-mail fredamac@eastlink.ca. Please forward your prayer requests to her. She would very much appreciate receiving volunteers for the Circle. Bonnie sends prayer requests to the volunteers in the Circle.

Mission Moment

Presbyterians Sharing is transforming lives in Central America and Mexico. Based in Guatemala, General Coordinator Judith Castañeda and the staff of the Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America (CEDEPCA) are empowering women and girls through their ministry of accompaniment. Women learn how to take on leadership roles in churches and their communities through faith-based activities about their personal and legal rights, and the importance of formal education. After completing CEDEPCA's Healthy Relationships course, one woman said, "I feel like a different woman. Before, I used to live locked in my home with a domestic routine, but now I have new friends, we do creative things."

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Hymn 434

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
5. For each perfect gift of thine, to the earth so freely given,
graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
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Hymn 703

1. Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every breast,
where one their wish, and one their prayer,
and one their heavenly rest.
2. Happy the home where Jesus' name is sweet in every ear,
where children early sing his fame,
and parents hold him dear.
3. Happy the home where prayer is heard and praise is quick to rise,
where parents love the sacred word
that makes the simple wise.
4. Lord, let us in our home agree this blessed peace to gain;
unite our hearts in love to thee,
and love to all will reign.

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Hymn 691

1. My shepherd is the King of love whose goodness fails me never,
for all things good from God above restore my soul forever.
2. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul is guided,
and where the verdant pastures grow, with heavenly food provided.
3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love you sought me,
and on your shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with you, dear Lord, beside me;
your rod and staff my comfort still, your cross before to guide me.
5. You spread a table in my sight, anointing grace bestowing,
and, oh, what rapture of delight: your cup is overflowing.
6. And so through all the length of days your goodness fails me never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise within your house forever!
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Hymn 11

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness even for his own name's sake.
3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill,
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
4. My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint and my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.
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