



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pentecost 14, Sunday, August 27, 2023

Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. (also on You Tube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (all who are able standing)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (830); Bible Sentence

Hymn: 428 "We love your house, O God!"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

On this, the day of resurrection, we gather as a community of faith to celebrate Your being our companion in our journey of faith, our shelter in stormy experiences, our inspiration in the face of human need, and our beacon in the task of making decisions.

Holy God, who offers pardon to those who repent and turn to You, we confess that we find it difficult to resist the pressures placed upon us when the forces of evil try to gain our support and use us to further their aims. So strengthen us by Your grace that we may have the power to avoid conforming to the patterns in our culture and to embrace with enthusiasm the teachings and love of Jesus, our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Song: 561 "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); The Passing of the Peace

Lessons: Psalm 124; Exodus 1: 8-2:10 (p.45); Romans 12 :1-8 (p.141) ;

Matthew 16 : 13-20 (p.15)

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: 585 (Tune: 410) "Christ you call us"

Sermon

The Offertory

The Creed (539) & Offertory Prayer (all who are able standing)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer (831)

Hymn: 763 (Tune: 757) "To show by touch and word"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go Now in Peace" (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Michael Barkhouse

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Reader: Michael Barkhouse

Pianist: Cheryl Weeks

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell

Wed: 7:00 – 9:15a.m. FOOD Ministry

Sun: 9:00 a.m. Worship; 10:30 a.m. Worship

A Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are in the Mik'kma'ki-the unceded territory and the ancestral homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation.

Thurs. Sept. 7 - Church Hall - AMS Halifax-Lunenburg Presbyterial Annual Meeting. 9:30 am Registration, 10:00 am Meeting 1:00 pm; All invited to hear a presentation by Margaret Craig and Barbara Friis on their trip to Egypt and Israel in the spring. Refreshments to be served.

Mission Moment

St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church in Grand Falls-Windsor, NL, has a long history of responding to the gospel of God's love in Christ through acts of kindness and care for their neighbours. One of the many ways that they live out this mission is through a knitting ministry that produces hundreds of hats as well as mitts and booties for newborns at the local hospital. And the ministry is growing! Another church has recently joined in their mission, allowing them to expand and provide baby sweaters, slippers and booties to several groups that serve the tiniest members of the community. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support St. Matthew's in its ministry.

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Hymn 428

1. We love your house, O God,
the place where honour dwells;
the joy of your abode
all earthly joy excels.

2. We love the house of prayer,
where you your servants greet,
for you, O Lord, are there,
and with your chosen meet.

3. We love the word of life,
the word that tells of peace,
of comfort in the strife,
and joys that never cease.

4. We love to sing below
of mercies freely given,
but how we long to know
the triumph song of heaven!

5. Lord Jesus, give us grace
on earth to love you more,
in heaven to see your face,
and with your saints adore.

Hymn 585 (Tune Joyful, joyful)

1. Christ You call us all to service
call us all who follow You;
plant in us a deep commitment
all Your work and will to do.
Fire a passion for Your justice;
in us kindle love of peace
Help us heal the brokenhearted;
to the captive bring release.

2. Teach us how to work together
brothers sisters side by side,
equal partners in the struggle,
in the cause of truth allied.

To each one some gift is given-
man or woman young or old;
help us use each skill and talent,
your great purpose to unfold

3. Let us be a servant people,
reconciling ending strife,
seeking ways more just of sharing,
and of ordering human life.
Fill us with a glowing vision
of this world as it should be;
send us forth to change that vision
into blest reality.

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Hymn 763 (tune 757)

1. To show by touch and word devotion to the earth,
to hold in full regard all life that comes to birth
we need, O God, the will to find the good you had of old in mind.

2. Renew our minds to choose the things that matter most,
our hearts to long for truth till pride-of-self is lost.
For every challenge that we face, we need your guidance and your
grace.

3. Let love from day to day be yardstick, rule and norm,
and let our lives portray your word in human form.
Now come with us that we may have your wits about us where we live.

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