



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pentecost 26, Sunday, November 19, 2023

Service colour: Green

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

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: 323 (Tune: 497) "Praise the Lord"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, from whom we come, to whom we are precious and to whom we belong forever, you have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Grant to us light in our darkness, courage for our fear, peace in our turmoil, joy in our sorrow, strength in our weakness, wisdom in our confusion, love for any hatred within us and forgiveness for our sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 295 "When long before time" (all seated) Pupils gather at Chancel stairs

Lessons: Judges 4 :1-7, 12-16 (p.264); Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5: 8-11 (p.181); Matthew 25:14-28 (p.24)

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: 633 "Who would true valour see"

Sermon followed by The Offertory

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

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

Hymn: 653 (Tune: 374) "Fill all my life"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Megan Douglas

Elevator: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Nancy Heighton

Reader: Mike Barkhouse

Pianist: Cheryl Weeks

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell

Today: 11:30 a.m. Potluck Luncheon

Tues: 10:00 a.m. Presbytery of Halifax and Lunenburg on ZOOM

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

Buster Yetman, husband of June, died on November 14.

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.

2024 Presbyterian Calendars in lobby – Youth Group selling them for \$7.

The Guild November 2023 Fund Raising Project: Once again a **No-Bake Sale** is being held! Please put donations in the *No-Bake Sale* box in the lobby or on the offering plate clearly marked "Guild" or send your gift to 216 School Street, Dartmouth, NS B3A 2Y4 making cheques payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Guild or e-transfer to standrewspc216@gmail.com noting in the Message section that it is for the Guild. Thank you for your help.

2023 Christmas Project – We are seeking \$3,000 for FEED NS. Please make your donation to St. Andrews by Dec. 3. Some may wish to use e-transfer: standrewpc216@gmail.com. Mark donation clearly for Christmas Project. \$870 received already! (If gifts are made before Nov. 28, Sobeyes will match the amount.)

Hymn 323

1. Praise the Lord, ye heavens, adore him;
praise him, angels, in the height;
sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, all ye stars and light.
Praise the Lord, for he hath spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
laws which never shall be broken for their guidance hath he made.

2. Praise the Lord, for he is glorious; never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, his power proclaim;
heaven and earth and all creation laud and magnify his name.

Hymn 295

1. When long before time and the worlds were begun,
when there was no earth and no sky and no sun,
and all was deep silence and night reigned supreme,
and even our Maker had only a dream...

2. ...the silence was broken when God sang the Song,
and light pierced the darkness and rhythm began,
and with its first birth-cries creation was born,
and creaturely voices sang praise to the morn.

3. The sounds of the creatures were one with their Lord's,
their harmonies sweet and befitting the Word;
the Singer was pleased as the earth sang the song;
the choir of the creatures re-echoed it long.

4. Though, down through the ages, the Song disappeared,
its harmonies broken and almost unheard,
the Singer comes to us to sing it again;
our God-is-with-us in the world now as then.

5. The Light has returned as it came once before;
the Song of the Lord is our own song once more;
so let us all sing with one heart and one voice
the song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.

6. To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise;
to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise;
to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath,

be glory forever, through life and through death.

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Hymn 633

1. Who would true valour see let them come hither:
here's one will constant be come wind, come weather.
There's no discouragement shall make me once relent
my first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

2. Who so beset me round with dismal stories
do but themselves confound: my strength the more is.
No foes shall stay my might; though I with giants fight,
but I will have the right to be a pilgrim.

3. Hobgoblin nor foul fiend can daunt my spirit:
I know I at the end shall life inherit.
Then, fancies, flee away! Fear not what others say;
I'll labour night and day to be a pilgrim.

Hymn 653

1. Fill all my life, O Lord my God,
in every part with praise,
that my whole being may proclaim
your being and your ways:

2. praise in the common things of life,
our going out and in;
praise in each duty and each deed,
however small and plain.

3. Fill every part of me with praise,
strong though I be or weak;
of you and of your love, O Lord,
let all my being speak;

4. then shall each part of day and night
be sacred to the end,
and all my life be fellowship
with you, my Guide and Friend.