



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Fourth Sunday in the Great Fifty Days of Easter

April 21, 2024

Service colour: White

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m. (also on YouTube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (*stand if able*)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (Book of Praise 830)

Call to Worship: (*standing if able*)

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He lays down his life for his sheep.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He knows us, and we belong to him.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 11 "The Lord's my shepherd"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession (unison) **Lord have mercy upon us.**

We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another.

Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Song: 561 "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us."

Declaration of forgiveness followed by The Lord's Prayer

A sharing of the Peace of Christ followed by *Hallelujah* (Hymn 294)

Welcome and Announcements

Learning for all ages: {children gather at Chancel stairs} from READ

WONDER LISTEN by Laura Alary

Hymn: 773 "Jesus bids us shine" (*all seated*)

Prayer of Illumination

Lessons: Acts 4:5–12 (p.105); Psalm 23(responsively); 1 John 3:16–24

(p.213); John 10:11–18(p. 90)

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: 481 "Blest be the ties"

Sermon

Announcing the Offering of our gifts followed by The Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (*stand if able*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and for others

Hymn: 699 "All the way my Saviour leads me"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go now in peace" (*all seated*) (hymn book – inside back cover)

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Ian Murray

Elevator Guide: Jim Kennedy

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Nancy Heighton

Pianist: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Donna Lee Laveck

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

Today, we are pleased to welcome to our pulpit, the Rev. Bert Vanderbeek. He is a retired minister of the Christian Reformed Church and lives in the Kentville area.

This week at St. Andrew's

Wed: 7:00 –9:15 a.m. FOOD Ministry

Sun: 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, April 30, 7:00 p.m. Kirk Session meets in Hall

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

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.

Hymn 773

1. Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light, like a little candle burning in the night. In the world is darkness, so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
2. Jesus bids us shine, first of all for him; well he sees and knows it if our light grows dim. He looks down from heaven to see us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
3. Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around; many kinds of darkness in this world abound: sin and want and sorrow; so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

Hymn 481

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
2. Before our Maker's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
3. We share each other's woes; each other's burdens bear; and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
4. When we asunder part, it gives us keenest pain, but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.
5. This glorious hope revives our courage on the way: in perfect friendship we shall live in God's eternal day.

Hymn 699

1. All the way my Saviour leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell; for I know, whate'er befall me Jesus doeth all things well.
2. All the way my Saviour leads me, cheers each winding path I tread, gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread. Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be, gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see.
3. All the way my Saviour leads me, oh the fullness of his love! Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day, this my song through endless ages, 'Jesus led me all the way!'