



## ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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### Pentecost 9

**Sunday, July 21, 2024**

**Service colour: Green**

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*)

In moments of anxiety, God leads us to still waters.

**O God, we come to you.**

In moments of confusion, God leads us in right paths.

**O God, we come to hear your voice.**

In moments of loneliness, God is with us.

**O God, we come, seeking your love.**

In all our moments, God is with us.

**So we come to praise the One who restores our lives.**

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 372 "Praise him"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**God our Maker, though we marvel at your creation, we confess we often take it for granted. We prefer to live as if our lifestyles make no impact on the earth. We resist reports that tell us otherwise. We confess we don't really want to change. Yet we wonder if the way we live pleases you. Forgive us for any harm we cause the earth. Teach us how to live with love and respect for you and your whole creation. This we ask in the name of the One who rose to make us part of your new creation. 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

Hymn: 625 "Seek ye first" (all seated)

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

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: 2 Samuel 7: 1–14a (p. 261); Psalm 89: 20–37; Ephesians 2: 11–22 (p.170); Mark 6: 30–34, 53–56 (p.35)

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: 400 "Spirit of the living God"

Sermon based on Ephesians 2: 11–22

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Announcing the Offering of our gifts followed by The Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (*stand if able*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and for others

Hymn: 491 (Tune 274) "God bless your church"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

**Welcoming Worshippers:** Bob Armstrong **Elevator:** Heather Barkhouse

**Conducting the Service:** Rev. Bert Vanderbeek

**Organist:** Dr. Ken Cameron

**Pianist:** Cheryl Weeks

**Placing the Bible:** Darlene Cossaboom

**Reader:** Lee Walker

**Audio:** Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

### This week at St. Andrew's

Sun: July 28, 10:30 a.m. Worship

### Mission Moment

Every July, youth from Asia, Europe, and North America spread out across the island of Taiwan. All are part of the "I Love Taiwan" mission. In 2023, supported by Presbyterians Sharing, Justin and Neo Wu (St. Giles, Ottawa) participated in the program. Alongside youth from The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan, they led summer programs for children. Working ecumenically in a cross-cultural and multi-religious context, youth experienced God's grace and love, learned to live out their faith, and were challenged to devote their lives to God through participation in mission. innovation. Due to popular demand, the programming is available again this summer.

### **Hymn 372**

1. Praise him, praise him, Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Sing, O earth, his wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail him, hail him, highest archangels in glory;  
strength and honour give to his holy name!  
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children;  
in his arms he carries them all day long.

Refrain:

Praise him, praise him! Tell of his excellent greatness;  
praise him, praise him, ever in joyful song!

2. Praise him, praise him, Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
For our sins he suffered and bled and died;  
he, our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation,  
hail him, hail him! Jesus the Crucified.  
Sound his praises! Jesus who bore our sorrows,  
love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong.

3. Praise him, praise him, Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Heavenly portals loud with hosannas ring!  
Jesus Saviour, reigneth forever and ever;  
crown him, crown him, Prophet and Priest and King!  
Christ is coming, over the world victorious;  
power and glory unto the Lord belong.

### **Hymn 625**

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find;  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

3. We do not live by bread alone, but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia!

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### **Hymn 400**

1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!

2. Spirit of the living God, move among us all;  
Make us one in heart and mind; make us one in love:  
humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God,  
again I say, rejoice.

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### **Hymn 491 (tune 274)**

1. God bless your church with strength! Wherever we may be,  
upbuild your servants as we work in common ministry.  
Urge us from fledgling faith to venture and to soar  
through open skies to sing the praise of Christ whom we adore.

2. God bless your church with life!  
May all our branches thrive,  
unblemished, wholesome, bearing fruit, abundantly alive.  
From you, one holy vine, in freedom may we grow;  
sustain us in our mission, Lord,  
your love and peace to show.

3. God bless your church with hope!  
Despite chaotic days, may we in darkness shine to light  
a pathway through life's maze.  
May justice be our sim, and kindness ours to share;  
in humbleness oh may we walk,  
assured our God is there!

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