



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 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*)

Let us praise God's holy name.

With the wisdom of the aged and the energy of the young,

Let us praise God's holy name.

In our work, in our homes, and in all we do,

Let us praise God's holy name.

Let us praise the Lord with all our hearts!

We will worship God now and always.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 434 "For the beauty of the earth"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God of all creation, you opened the world around us and filled it with wonder, yet we confess we look away from its harsher realities. Our ears can be deaf to cries of need. Our minds ignore opinions which differ from our own. Forgive us when we seek greatness instead of goodness, and miss the wisdom you intend us to embrace. Give us your grace, that we may live in righteousness and peace, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our Teacher, we pray. Amen.

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

Declaration of forgiveness

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

Welcome and Announcements

Solo: "Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet"

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

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: Proverbs 31:10–31 (p.576); Psalm 1; James 3:13– 4:3, 7-8a(p.203),

Mark 9:30–37 (p.39)

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: 471 "We are one in the spirit"

Sermon based on James 3: 13-4:3, 7-8a

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: 635 "Brother, sister, let me serve you"

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:** Marg Bingley

Conducting the Service: Rev. Bert Vanderbeek

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Soloist: Dave Campbell

Placing the Bible: Bill Langley

Reader: Donna Lee Laveck

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

This week at St. Andrew's

Mon: Sept. 23 1:00 p.m. Atlantic Mission Society Auxiliary Meeting IN THE SANCTUARY (please use main door).

Speaker: The Rev. Ian Ross-McDonald of The Life and Mission Agency of our General Assembly. He will speak about his recent trip to attend the 100th anniversary of the Presbyterian Church in Malawi and about other work done through our gifts to Presbyterians Sharing. Light refreshments will be served. All welcome to attend this meeting.

Tues: Sept. 24 7:00 p.m. Kirk Session

Wed: Sept. 25 FOOD Ministry 7:00–9:15 a.m.

Sun: Sept. 29 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery; Fellowship/Birthday Cake in the Hall following the service.

Sunday: October 6 World Communion Sunday

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

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.

Hymn 471

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, (twice)
and we pray that all unity will one day be restored,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.
2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, (twice)
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.
3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, (twice)
and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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Hymn 635

1. Brother, sister, let me serve you; let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey, and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
6. Brother, sister, let me serve you; let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

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