



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Healing and Reconciliation Sunday

Easter 6, May 25, 2025

Service colour: White

Land Acknowledgement *We gather on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Mi'kmaq bind us together as we strive for reconciliation.*

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

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 give thanks to our Creator, for the Creator is always with us.

Creator and creating God, you have given life to all around us.

You call us to be with you whether we are inside in the shelter of these walls or outside in the shelter of your trees.

God is with us when we gather together and when we are alone.

We are here to answer that call.

We will sing joyfully and we will listen attentively for your whispering voice.

Opening Prayer (together): **Creator God, we are seeking understanding, healing, and reconciliation. It has not always been an easy path, but we have sought to walk it together. We have tried to listen to each other's stories. We have sought to understand without judgment. We have noted the differences in values and traditions, but also the places where we share values and traditions. We are all your children. You embrace all in your love. You call us now to reflect that love to each other. You call us to be brothers and sisters on the path to reconciliation. Amen.**

Hymn: 814 "Morning has broken"

Call to confession (Prayer for Reconciliation): Creator God, you call us to reconciliation seeking understanding, healing, and a new beginning. **It has not always been an easy path, but we have sought to walk it together.**

We have tried to listen to each other's stories. **We have sought to understand without judgment.** We have noted the differences in values and traditions, but also the places where we share values and traditions.

We are all your children. You embrace all in your love. You call us now to reflect that love to each other. **You call us to be brothers and sisters on the path to reconciliation.** (Silence)

Assurance of pardon

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

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn: 704 "Teach me, God" (all seated)

Learning for all ages: {children gather at Chancel stairs} "With a Passion"

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: Micah 6:6-8 (p.819), Responsive Psalm 133, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 (p. 159), Matthew 22:36-40 (p.22)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Sung response: 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.

Sermon: WALKING TOGETHER

Hymn: 202 (tune 661) "We lay our broken world"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Announcing The Offering of our gifts; gifts will be brought forward following The Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (*stand if able*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer (Response: Lord in your mercy; **hear our prayer**)

Hymn: 646 "Lead me, Jesus" (sing twice)

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:** Heather Barkhouse

Conducting the Service: Rev. Kenn Stright

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Darlene Cossaboom **Reader:** Donna Lee Laveck

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

We are pleased to welcome to our service today, the Rev. Kenn Stright. He is a retired minister of The Presbyterian Church in Canada and lives in West Petpeswick, NS.

This week at St. Andrew's

Wed: F.O.O.D Ministry 7:00-9:15am