



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 31, 2025

Service colour: Green

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*)

Sing aloud to God who is our strength!

Raise a shout of joy to the God of all generations!

For our God feeds us with the finest wheat;

with honey from the rock God will satisfy.

Let us worship the Lord our God,

For God has done great things for us, and so we bring God praise.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 434 "For the beauty of the earth"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Welcoming God, we confess we too often fall short of the kindness and compassion we meet in Jesus. You have welcomed us like guests to a banquet, yet we find it hard to welcome a stranger in church. You have shown us what matters most in life, but we are distracted by worries, busy with things that really do not matter. Forgive us, O God. Teach us to honour you and those we meet in all we do and say, for the sake of Christ, our Lord. 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

Hymn: 229 "Jesu, Jesu" (all seated)

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: Jeremiah 2:4-13 (p.658), Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (p.504), Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (p. 201), Luke 14:1, 7-14 (p. 67)

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: based on Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Hymn: 717 "We cannot own the sunlight sky"

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: God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**)

Hymn: 490 (vs. 1,2,4,&5) "God of grace and God of glory"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Mary Pyche **Elevator:** Heather Barkhouse

Conducting the Service: Rev. Bert Vanderbeek

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Darlene Cossaboom **Reader:** Lesley Waugh

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

This week at St. Andrew's

Today, we give thanks to the Rev. Bert Vanderbeek for his ministry among us for 17 months! Everyone is welcome to a fellowship time after the service in the Hall; cake, ice cream, and drinks will be served.

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.