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Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Reign of Christ Sunday November 23, 2025

Service colour: White

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*)

M: Say among the nations, The Lord reigns.

C: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

M: God comes to judge the earth.

C: God will judge the world with righteousness and the people with truth.

M: Come, let us worship God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Blessing and honour, glory and power be to our God now and always.

Hymn: 103 (vs. 1,2,4 &5) "O, Lord Thou art"

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God of wisdom and warning, we confess that we often prefer our own plans to your purposes. We shrink from acts of service that seem too demanding. Forgive us when our commitment wavers and we think someone else will take up the challenges we face. Inspire us with the example of Jesus, and energize us with your Spirit to follow him as our Shepherd, wherever he leads. Amen.

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

Declaration of forgiveness

M..May the Peace of Christ be upon you **C. And also on you.**

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

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

Learning for children/youth (gather at Chancel steps)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

God of truth and justice, send us your Holy Spirit as we hear the Scriptures read and interpreted. Through your Word, grant that we might see your truth and justice unfolding in the world you love. Amen

Lessons: Jeremiah 23: 5 (p. 684), Psalm 46 (Responsive reading)

Colossians 1:11-20 (p. 176), Luke 23:33-43 (p. 77)

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: To Recognize the Reign of Christ

Hymn : 612 (vs. 1,2,4 &7) "Christ is the King"

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' Prayer (debts, debtors)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

M: The Lord be with you; **C: And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts; **C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

.....and all your creatures high and low

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

.....the mystery of our faith. **Christ died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Hymn: 556 "Now let us from the table rise"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Ben Glennie **Elevator:** Heather Barkhouse

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron **Placing the Bible:** Nancy McNeil

Reader: Mary Pyche **Audio:** Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

This week:

Today: Holy Communion (all bread is gluten-free)

Wed: FOOD Ministry

Sun: Nov. 30 First Sunday in Advent

It is with great sadness that one of our elders, Isabelle Young, died on Tuesday, November 18, in the V.G. Hospital at the age of 95. Isabelle was active in the AMS Auxiliary and was Treasurer of the Ladies' Guild for 21 years. May God's compassion and love be a constant companion to her family. The funeral will be held in the church on Saturday, November 29 at 10:00 a.m. Reception to follow in the Hall.

The Rev. Dr John R. Cameron, who was the first minister called to St. Andrew's, Dartmouth (1956-1962) died in Charlottetown on November 12 at the age of 92. His funeral will be held on November 25 at 11 a.m. at The Kirk of St. James in Charlottetown.

The poinsettia in the Chancel was placed by Robyn Murray in memory of Doris Manuel who died on December 23, 2023. She served in the Nursery for 60 years!

2025 Christmas Project: We are seeking \$3,000 to give to Feed Nova Scotia. Sobeys will double the donations received by December 1. We have already received \$1,555! Thank you!

The Guild 2025 Fundraising Project: Once again, a *No-Bake Sale* is being held! Donations can be placed on the offering plate marked "Guild" or by mail to the church, cheques payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Guild or e-transfer to standrewspc216@gmail.com noting in the Message section that it is for the No Bake Sale. The Guild would appreciate donations by December 7. Thank you