



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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First Sunday in Lent February 22, 2026

Service colour: Purple

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: O God, you are a hiding place for us;

C: **you preserve us from trouble.**

M: Let the faithful offer prayer and praise to God,

C: **for in times of distress, God is with us.**

M: The Lord will teach us the way we should go;

C: **God's steadfast love always surrounds us.**

M: So let us be glad in the Lord and rejoice in worship!

All: **We will sing for joy with psalms of praise.**

Hymn: 205 "O love, how deep, how broad, how high"

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession: (unison) **Merciful God, we confess our sin and the sin of this world. We have found peace in Christ, but we are a people divided against ourselves. We confess that we cling to the values of a broken world rather than the principles of your kingdom. In your mercy, heal us, forgive us and set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.**

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)
Announcements

Hymn: 625 "Seek ye first"; Hymn: 206 "Jesus, remember me" (sung twice) (all seated)

Learning for children/youth (gather at Chancel steps)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination: God of Life, send the Holy Spirit to guide us as we listen to Scripture read that may sound familiar. Speak your truth in ways that open our minds and hearts to a deeper understanding of your Living Word.

PWS&D Lenten Insert

Lessons: Deuteronomy 8:3(p.154) & 6:16(p. 152);

Responsive Psalm: 32; Romans 12: 1-2 (p.141); Matthew 4: 1-11(p.3)

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: "It is written"

Hymn: 200 "Lord Jesus, who through forty days"

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 (debts, debtors)

Hymn: 644 "May the mind of Christ my Saviour"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshipers: Ben Glennie

Elevator: Gordon Ross

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: June Stone **Reader:** Lesley Waugh

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

Today: Coffee hour & birthday cake in Hall following the service;
2 p.m. Funeral for Ray Barkhouse, father of Mike Barkhouse.

Mon: 7 p.m. Kirk Session

Wed: FOOD Ministry

Upcoming:

March 3 – 10:30-11:30 a.m. 4-week continued Bible Study
on the Book of Psalms – Neena Durbha

March 8: 10:30 a.m. 73rd Anniversary and Annual Meeting.

Holy Week:

April 2, 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday, Supper & Service

April 3, 10:30 a.m. Good Friday Service

April 5, 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday

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.