



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday of Easter Christian Family Sunday
May 10, 2026 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: Jesus says, "If you love me, follow my teachings."

C: We come to worship the One who calls us to love and obedience.

M: Christ has not left us alone in this world.

C: God sends the Holy Spirit to guide, comfort, and strengthen us.

M: Though the world may not recognize him,

C: We know the Spirit who lives with us and dwells within us.

M: Jesus says, "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you."

C: In every season, Christ is near to his people.

M: Come, let us worship the living God

All: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn: 39 *God of mercy, God of grace*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God of love, we are grateful for the love you bless us with in our homes and families. Yet you know family life is not always easy. Our love for each other gets strained some days. Forgive us if we have taken our family for granted. Give us grace to repair relationships where strain is showing. 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)

Announcements

Hymn: 704 *Teach me, God to wonder* (all seated)

Learning for children/youth (gather at Chancel steps)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of Truth and Love, move in us and among us as we listen to the Scriptures read and proclaimed. Open our minds and hearts to God's Living Word so that we may know it more fully and follow it more faithfully, day by day. Amen

Lessons: 1 Samuel 1:9-21 (p. 226), Responsive Reading Psalm 91, 1

Peter 3:13-18 (p. 207), John 14:15-21 (p. 95)

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: "The Great Promise"

Hymn: 703 *Happy the home when God is there*

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: 371 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Ricky Sloan **Elevator:** Heather Barkhouse
Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron **Piano:** Jake Barkhouse
Placing the Bible: Mary Pyche **Reader:** Lesley Waugh
Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

This week at St. Andrew's

Today: Coffee hour in Hall

Wed: Hope Cottage Ministry

Sun. May 17 Rev. Whitney Canning, guest preacher; birthday cake in Hall
Our minister will be on vacation from late May 10 to May 17.

Neena Durbha will be receiving the Master of Divinity degree from Vancouver School of Theology on Tuesday, May 12. The Convocation will be livestreamed on YouTube from Shaughnessy Heights United Church, Vancouver, 11 p.m. AST or you can watch it later on the church's YouTube channel. We extend our sincere congratulations to Neena and wish her God's richest blessing on her journey in ministry.

Upcoming Events:

Christ Church Food Ministry: A special food drive for Christ Church Food Ministry! Items suggested: all hygiene products, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products and any toiletries. Also, lunch items such as canned tuna, ham, peanut butter, pasta, etc. Items collected today, May 10 and May 17. Thank you!

What: Board Game Night **When:** Friday, June 5th, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm

Who: Church folks and friends **Where:** Church Hall

Bible Study: 6-week study on the parables of Jesus led by Neena Durbha, beginning Thursday, May 21, at 10:30 a.m.

From Iona Church: Spring Take Away Tea on May 23 /26

Orders are now being taken until May 17. If you are interested, please contact Irene Rose at 902-829-2783 to place your orders. Tea boxes are \$12.