



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 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: We gather from many different lives and places.

C: But, God, we are one in you.

M: We have many different hopes and beliefs.

C: But, Jesus, we are one in your love.

M: By love, for love, Christ is risen!

C: In love we proclaim: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

M: Let us worship the Life-giving God.

Hymn: 757 *Come sing, O church, in joy!*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God of mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We confess that many things keep us from trusting fully in your love. We are often distracted by our own desires and disappointments. We cling to anger and resentment. We fear for the future rather than seek signs of hope. Forgive us. Shine your love upon us so that your glory may be seen in us, and give us courage to follow Jesus 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)

Announcements

Hymn: 290 *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* (all seated)

Learning for children/youth (gather at Chancel steps)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

God of Wisdom, send your Holy Spirit to give us fresh understanding of your Word in Scripture. Inspire us to respond with renewed commitment to follow Christ Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.

Lessons: Responsive Reading - Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:15-23 (p. 169); John 17:1-11 (p. 97)

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

Hymn: 389 *Breathe on me, breath of God*

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: 461 *Be thou my vision*

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Ann Campbell & Linda Russell

Elevator: Gordon Ross

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Dave Campbell **Reader:** Mary Pyche

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

Today: We welcome the Rev. Whitney Canning and look forward to her time with us. Coffee hour/birthday cake in Hall

Thurs: 10:30 a.m. Bible Study led by Neena Durbha

Sun: May 24 Day of Pentecost; Holy Communion

Monday, May 25, 7 p.m. Kirk Session meets

Christ Church Food Ministry: Thank you for the many donations on May 10 and May 17!

**** The youth in our congregation are planting a garden! Can you help with providing some items, e.g. garden tools, garden soil, planters, transplants, water can? Thank you! Erin Sloan will help answer any questions that you might have.

Upcoming Events:

What: Board Game Night

When: Friday, June 5 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Who: Church folks and friends

Where: Church Hall

Ladies' Guild is hosting an afternoon tea box sale on Saturday, June 6, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. \$12 per box, eat in or take out! Please pre-order by May 30, dmcbboom54@outlook.com or 902-930-5610. Cash payment on pick-up. A sign-up sheet is in the front lobby also!

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.