

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

### Announcements ~

### Gathering Song ~

Great is Thy faithfulness, God our Creator;

There is no shadow of turning with Thee;

Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;

As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

**Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!**

**Morning by morning new mercies I see;**

**All I have needed Thy hand hath provided --**

**Great is Thy faithfulness, ever to me!**

VU#288

### Call to Worship ~

Leader: We thank you God for soft green grass and budding leaves.

**People: For simple music of the wind through swaying trees.**

Leader: We thank you God for ocean and clear salt air.

**People: For ships that sail across the waves with cargo rare.**

Leader: We thank you God for quiet nights and stars that shine.

**People: For order in this universe of your design.**

Leader: We thank you God for thoughts of me and deeds of worth.

**People: For those whose lives and love reveal your will on earth.**

**\*Singing: *Moved by the Gospel***

**VU#394 (tune 625)**

**Prayer & Lord's Prayer:** God our Father, we come to this place to be put in touch with Your Spirit, to sharpen our awareness of Your presence with us. Renew us this day, oh God, in our understanding of what it is to be the people of Your name. So may our worship equip us to live more fully as Your own children after the manner of our brother and friend, Jesus of Nazareth, Who has shown us Your love and Whom we worship as the Christ. We pray as He taught us...

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. (Yeah God!)

### Children's Time ~

**\*Singing: *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*** VU#575

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

**Scripture Readings: Matthew 15:10-28 p. 797**

### Reflections ~ Tenacious Faith

**\*Singing: *Lord Speak to Me***

**VU#589**

## WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

**Presentation of ourselves & gifts to God**

### Doxology:

The church is wherever God's people are praising,  
singing God's goodness for joy on this day.

The church is wherever disciples of Jesus  
remember his story and walk in his way.

The church is wherever God's people are helping,  
caring for neighbours in sickness and need.

The church is wherever God's people are sharing  
the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.

**# 579 VU**

**Offertory Prayer:** God of abundant life and wonders beyond number: Grant that our offering might be acceptable in Your sight. Fill us with the spirit of Your Risen Christ, that we might be the new creations You call and empower us to be. Amen

### We come to prayer singing:

Jesus, united by your grace,

And each to each endeared,

With confidence we seek your face,

And know our prayer is heard.

Help us to see in each a friend,

Each other's cross to bear;

Let all their friendly aid extend,

And feel the other's care.

**VU#591**

### We bring our prayers to God ~

**\*Singing: *For the Music of Creation***

**VU#535**

### Benediction

*We extend the hand of Christian Fellowship to our visitors & ask you to sign the visitors' book. We hope you'll return next Sunday.*

**Please Pray For:** Baby David & his family, Marsk, Rennie & Keifer, Antoine, Catherine Amy, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Bernice, Bonnie, Ian Brewster, Brigida, Carol, Caroly, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Heather Downs, Eric Drakeford, Sylvan Duguay Andrew Eccles, Lynn Edwards, Karen Elkin, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Gail, Linda Gallant, Jo Gaston, George, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Jennifer, Justin, Fern & Betty Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Marilyn Little, Janet Lyn, Jemma Mahabir, Marcelle, Laura McLean, Kathy Meney, Mile, Cheryl Miller, Sharon Miller, Sandra Murphy, Paige, Julie Patterson, Anne & Ernie Presseau, Gail Provencher, Sarah Puskas, Margaret Reany & family, Chester Ross, Lou & Joan Sarka, Eileen & Donald Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, Anne, Christina & Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Sandy Yarnell, Shirley Yarnell

### Announcements

- **Rev. Alice** is on vacation and study leave until **Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**. In an emergency, please contact your **Session member** or the **Church Office**. Morning worship in **July** will be led by different committees of the church.
- **Victoria King** is working on a project for the **Old Brewery Mission Foundation**. She is collecting toiletries, blankets, towels, etc. Please see the bulletin board for the details.
- **Jordan King** is available to do any type of lawn work. He would be pleased if you call him at 450-699-3143.
- **Our food pantry** is almost depleted. We need spaghetti sauce, pasta, canned meat, tuna, peanut butter, canned fruit, coffee... anything would be appreciated. Thank you for your help.
- **Please remember the people of Ethiopia** in your prayers.

### Parking Lot

Several members of the congregation have voiced what has been an on-going concern of all members of the St Andrew's family, and that is the deplorable condition of our church parking lot. In response to this situation, the Stewards Committee has been, over the past couple of months, looking into the options available to us, bearing in mind the financial constraints that we have faced in recent years, as we operate within a deficit budget.

That being said, we continue to explore all possible options and hope to have several concrete recommendations to present to the congregation at a short meeting following Sunday worship later this summer.

In the meantime, we would ask all able-bodied parishioners to park in the back of the parking lot and leave the spots nearer the entrance to those with reduced mobility.

Please rest assured that we are seriously trying to improve upon this situation while staying within our means.

**The Stewards Committee**

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Friday 8:00 pm AA Meeting**

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# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

*183<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2016*

*~WORSHIP~*

**July 31, 2016 ~ 10:30 am**



**Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine**

**Director of Music Ministry: Doreen Gilbert Bangs**

*To greet you ~*

**Elder: Sandra Fortier**

**Stewards: Norm Elkin & Jim Meldrum**