

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Announcements ~

Call to Worship ~

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: God's love is poured out upon the world

People: The crucified One gives a new life within.

Leader: The wounds of broken people are healed, for Christ breathes the Holy Spirit upon human hearts.

People: Thank you, Lord of life; hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

* **Singing: *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* VU #157**

Prayer: Holy and Awesome God, we gather with expectant hearts. They mystery of Easter touches our lives with unmistakable drama. May the sense of wonder and excitement transform us, so that all may know the Good News that Christ is Risen! We pray in the name of the Resurrected One... 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!)

Lighting of Christ Candle

(light candle)

One: Today we celebrate light conquering the darkness. We light the Christ candle aware that the power of the Resurrection has forever changed who we are-we are those given the power to become children of the Light.

All: Today we celebrate: new life, new joy, new possibilities and new light.

One: The old is dead and finished and the new shines brightly within our midst.

All: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

One: Christ is risen indeed!

All: Alleluia!

Singing: Joy to the World, the Lord's alive,
Awake, rejoice and sing! It's just as He said,
He's risen from the dead
Salvation now He brings (2x)
Salvation, salvation now He brings. (tune 59)

Greeting one another in the name of the risen Christ

Children's Time

Singing: *The glory of our King* VU #162(tune 326)

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings: John 20: 1-18 p.882

Anthem: Run, Mary, Run

Reflections: Run, Mary, Run!

Singing: *The strife is O'er* VU #159

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

Presentation of ourselves & gifts to God

**Doxology: Let trumpets sound and voices sing!
Let all on earth their praises bring!
For Christ has conquered sin and death
And given life eternal breath. VU #541**

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

Invitation to the Sacrament Holy Communion

Anthem: "Jesus, my all"

Celebration of Holy Communion

WE ARE SENT OUT IN SERVICE

Singing: *Thine is the Glory* VU #173

Benediction: Go forth with renewed hope. Trusting in the transforming love of God.

God does not leave things as they are; with God, all things are made new.

All creation responds to God's presence; the world is alive with possibility.

We open ourselves to this truth; with Christ, we trust our whole lives to this power.

Nothing is beyond the reach of God; neither evil, nor hardship, nor death.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed.

Sung Benediction: Holy, holy, holy, how great Your name!

Yours the name of matchless worth,

Excellent in all the earth.

How great Your name!

VU # 731

We extend the hand of Christian Fellowship to our visitors & ask you to sign the visitors' book. We hope you'll return next Sunday. You are invited to Memorial Hall for coffee & conversation. Serving you this morning is the Choir.

Please Pray For: Baby David & his family, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Bernice, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Tea Kinsella-Borden, Brigida, Carol, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Heather Downs, Andrew Eccles, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Kevin Fallon, Gail, Linda Gallant, George, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Jennifer, Justin, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Jemma Mahabir, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Mile, Michael, Cheryl Miller, Sharon Miller, Sandra Murphy, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Anne & Ernie Presseau, Sarah Puskas, Margaret Reany & family, Cheryl Rogers, Suzanne Ross, Bruce Ryan, Joan Sarka, Eileen & Donald Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Frank Stark, Madeline Stevens, Jan Verschoote, Christina & Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell

Announcements:

Josephine Gaston's funeral will take place Tuesday, April 18 at 11:00a.m. at **St. Andrew's United Church.**

There will be visitation at Wilson Funeral home on Maple Street **Monday April 17 from 7 to 9p.m.**

Reminders:

- The **Benevolent Fund** needs help. Baskets are placed at the Sanctuary exits. Thank you for your generosity.
- Our **Food Cupboard** needs spaghetti sauce, pasta, baked beans, dish soap & other cleaning products. Thank you for your support.
- Please save your nickels & dimes to support the **Sunday school.** Thank you for your generosity.
- To receive St. A's memos, please submit & update your e-mail address to **sandrewsunitedchurch@bellnet.ca.**

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday	9:00 am	Badminton
Wednesday	10:30 am	Prayer Fellowship
“ “	7:30 pm	Session Meeting
“ “	8:30 pm	Volleyball
Thursday	9:00 am	Badminton
“ “	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	8:00 pm	AA Meeting

Happy Easter!



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**ST. ANDREW'S
 UNITED CHURCH**

184th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2017

~WORSHIP~

April 16, 2017 ~ 10:30 am
Easter Sunday Communion Service



Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine
Director of Music: Doreen Gilbert Bangs

To greet you ~

Elder: Bruce Snair
Stewards: Andrew Ford & Keith Motton