

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

### Announcements

#### Gathering Song: VU#198

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,  
Come with Pentecostal power;  
Give the church a stronger vision,  
Help us face each crucial hour.  
Built upon a firm foundation,  
Jesus Christ, the cornerstone,  
Still the church is called to mission  
That God's love shall be made known.

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,  
Give us words of fire and flame.  
Help our feeble lips to praise you,  
Glorify your holy name.  
God, all holy, Son and Spirit.  
Three in one: what mystery!  
We would sing out loud hosannas  
Now and through eternity.

#### Call to Worship

L: We are the Easter people!

**P: We have witnessed the Resurrection of our Lord.**

L: We are now called to be people of the Pentecost.

**P: We are called to boldly share the good news of God's love.**

L: Open your hearts, O people, to God's great power and love.

**P: We open our hearts to hear God's word for us and to joyfully proclaim Jesus Christ as our Savior. AMEN.**

**Singing: *On Pentecost They Gathered* VU#195**

**Prayer and Lord's Prayer:** Gracious God, on this day of Pentecost we celebrate the coming of Your Spirit in power upon Your Church. We praise You that in all times and places Your Spirit has moved in and among Your people, bringing energy, purpose and joy. Lord God, you know us so well. You know that we are like the disciples following the crucifixion and even the resurrection. We would rather hide and mutter and weep, than proclaim the power of Your love. The world is a difficult place.

We fear so much. We want people to like us, and so we hold back on our proclamation of our faith. We don't want to offend anyone. But Your love and presence are not offensive. They are empowering and healing. Bring Your loving Presence upon us this day to ignite a spark of joy in our hearts and our voices. Bring the power of Your rushing wind through our spirits that we may be turned in new directions for service and witness. We pray as Jesus 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!)

**Words of Assurance:** God's awesome love is offered to you, even when you fear or are unsure of your faith. Know that God is with you. Be not afraid. Hallelujah!

**Anthem: *Song Circling All the Earth***

**Children's Time ~**

**Singing:**

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,  
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.  
There are sweet expressions on each face,  
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

**Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,  
Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love;  
And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise.  
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived.  
When we shall leave this place.**

There are blessings you cannot receive  
Till you know Him in His fullness and believe.  
You're the one to profit when you say,  
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." **Chorus**  
If you say He saved you from your sin;  
Now you're weak, you're bound and cannot enter in.  
You can make it right if you will yield;  
You'll enjoy the Holy Spirit that we feel. **Chorus**

**Reception of New Member: Mariette Demers**

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

**Scripture Readings: Acts 2: 1-21 p. 885**

**Reflections: What On Earth Is Going On?**

**Singing: *Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth* VU#207**

## WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

**Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God**

**Singing: *The Spring Has Come* VU#187**

**Doxology:** Praise to our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
Who evermore redeems the lost;  
Praise to the Spirit of our God,  
Released to us at Pentecost (tune 541 VU)

**Offertory Prayer:** May we relinquish these gifts from our power, Lord, so they can be instruments of Your power. May Your Spirit receive them, enrich them, and invest them according to Your divine will. Amen

**Invitation to Holy Communion**

**Anthem: *Come, O Come with Thy Broken Heart***

**Celebration of Holy Communion**

**Singing: *Filled with the Spirit's Power* VU#194**

**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. You are invited to Memorial Hall for coffee & conversation. Serving you this morning is the Prayer Fellowship.***

**Please Pray For:** Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Bernice, Marousia Bettez, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Tea Kinsella-Borden, Brigida, Carol, Caroline, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Heather Downs, Elizabeth Edwards, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Larry Falcon, Kevin Fallon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Jennifer, 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, Isabel Saccucci, Joan Sarka, Eileen & Donald Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Frank Stark, Madeline Stevens, Amber Tomlinson, Jan Verschoote, Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell, Sarah Zimmerman

### Announcements:

- It is with deep regret that we announce the death of **Elizabeth Edwards**, June 2, 2017. Our sympathy goes to Jetta and her family. Elizabeth's funeral service take place Saturday, June 10 at 11:00 am at St. Andrew's.
- The Quebec churches near the American-Canadian border are asking for help as they reach out to the "refugees" crossing into Canada from the USA. New or used crayons, pencils, colouring books, and children's books are needed. If these donations are brought to St. A's they will be delivered.
- If you would like to support **Options Crisis Pregnancy Center**, please pick up a baby bottle in Memorial Hall. All donations are appreciated.
- **Strawberry Lunch – June 22 – noon.** Please see the UCW or the office for tickets (\$12 adult /\$4 under 12 years).
- The Session and Stewards will be having their annual BBQ June 14 at 6:00 PM with meetings afterwards.

### Reminders:

- The **Benevolent Fund** needs help. Baskets are placed at the Sanctuary exits. Thank you for your generosity.
- Please remember our **Food Cupboard** -- 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 your e-mail address to: [office@saintandrewsunitedchurch.org](mailto:office@saintandrewsunitedchurch.org)

### THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Prayer Fellowship</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>

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# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

*184th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2017*

**June 4, 2017 ~ 10:30 am**

*Pentecost Sunday*



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

**Director of Music: Doreen Gilbert Bangs**

*To greet you ~*

**Elder: Les Sorg**

**Stewards: Elizabeth Bergeron**