

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Announcements ~

Gathering Song:

Jesus, stand among us in Your risen power;
Let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.

Lead our hearts to wisdom till our doubting cease,
And to all assembled speak Your word of peace.

Call to Worship ~

Leader: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom He has chosen for His heritage!

People: For they shall come from the east and the west, and from the north and the south and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

All: Come, let us seek the Lord!

***Singing: O Canada SOG# 181**

Prayer & Lord's Prayer: O Lord, as we celebrate nationhood this weekend, we give thanks for the privilege of worshipping in this house of praise without harassment, for the freedom to proclaim the truth without censorship, and for the liberty to go out and witness publicly to our faith. Enable us, we pray, to use these freedoms responsibly and thankfully this day. We unite in praying...

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: All Things Bright and Beautiful**
VU# 291 vs.1, 2, 3, 5

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings: Psalm 72 VU#790
Isaiah 32: 1-4, 16-18 p.575

Reflections ~ "We stand on guard for Thee"

***Singing: O God of All the Many Lands VU#523**
(tune 625)

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

Presentation of ourselves & gifts to God

Doxology: We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

Offertory Prayer: Almighty God, as citizens of this country we pay taxes as our share of the services we enjoy and the obligations we have to others. As citizens of Your heavenly rule we also recognize the benefits we enjoy and wish to share with others. Receive these gifts and may we give them freely and gladly. Amen.

We come to prayer singing:

I cast all my cares upon You,
I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet;
And anytime that I don't know what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon You.

We bring our prayers to God ~

***Singing: Trust and Obey SOG#135**

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: 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, Mike G., 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, Joan Spurrell, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, Anne, Christina & Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Sandy Yarnell, Shirley Yarnell

Announcements

- **Rev. Alice** will be on vacation and study leave following this morning's worship until **Tuesday, August 9th**. 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.
- **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

Reminders:

- Please remember our food cupboard. Thank you for your generosity.
- 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@saintandrewsunitychurch.org
- We share pictures and articles of church events through our newsletter and web-presence. An opt-out form and information on our privacy policy are available from the church office.
- Follow us on Facebook at **Saint Andrew United-Chateauguay2**. We will be posting our events as they become available.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday 8:00 pm AA Meeting

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ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

183rd Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2016

**~WORSHIP ~
July 3, 2016 ~ 10:30 am**



Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine

Director of Music Ministry: Doreen Gilbert Bangs

To greet you ~

Elder: Les Sorg

Stewards: Norm Elkin & Jim Meldrum