

St. Andrew's United Church

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June 24, 2018

5th Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship God

Musical Prelude

*Introit: #371, Open My Eyes (vs. 1)

**Open my eyes that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

*Lighting of the Christ Candle:

One: God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing. May the light of the Christ Candle be our source of light.

All: Thanks be to God.

One: God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

All: Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise.

*Sing: **Light up the candle, every day**

Jesus be with us here as we pray.

Call to Worship: *(seated)*

L: God is our refuge and strength

All: ready to help when we need Him.

L: In the midst of life's storms, God is there.

All: What have we to fear?

L: In the darkness and terror, God is with us.

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All: Of whom shall we be afraid?

L: Rise up, people of God, for you are loved and saved.

All: Thanks be to God who cares deeply for us.

Opening Prayer:

Mighty God, who speaks a word of peace to calm our troubled sea;

**Caring God, who nudges us away from fear and toward faith;
Ever-present God, who fills us with awe but also raises many questions without easy answers;**

Open our eyes to see you in our boat—today.

Strengthen our hearts for the challenges that lie ahead.

Open our ears this hour to hear the word you speak.

This we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn: #652, Be Still, My Soul (vs. 1&2 – congregation seated)

Welcome & Announcements

Birthday Box for WDR

Sing *(seated)*:

**Happy Birthday to you, to Jesus be true,
May God's richest blessings, now rest upon you.**

**These gifts we now share, to show that we care
for all of God's children, here and everywhere.**

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination:

Sing: #377, vs.2 *(all seated)*

**Holy Spirit, shine now on the book we read;
light its holy pages with the truth we need.**

Scripture Readings: Psalm 46

Mark 4:35-41

Ministry of Music

Reflection on the Word

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn: #675, Will Your Anchor Hold (vs. 1,2,3)

Offering

*Choral Response: #540

**Grant us, God the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.**

*Offertory Prayer:

Thank you, God, for meeting us in our need. As we give to meet the needs of others, we are grateful for the trust you place in us. Receive these monetary gifts, along with the offerings of our hearts. Bless them in the work of this congregation and in the compassion they can offer in the world. Amen.

Invitation to the Table

*Communion Hymn: #460, All Who Hunger

Communion Prayer:

L: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is good to give God thanks and praise.

L: Loving God, we gather as your people, united with you through the life and ministry, death and resurrection, of Jesus Christ.

All: We come from different places and bring our different ideas and stories to this place. You welcome us, and proclaim to the world, that we are all connected, that we all belong.

Now, may we who are united by your Spirit, experience your presence through this time of sharing at table.

L: At his last meal with his disciples, Jesus called them to remember, and so we do that now. We remember: how Jesus took bread, and giving thanks, broke it, and shared it among his friends.

All: One loaf, broken for all.

L: Later Jesus took a cup, and again giving thanks, gave it to them.

All: One cup, shared for all.

L: "This is my body, this is my blood," he said. "Whenever you share in this meal, remember me."

All: One God, remembered by all.

L: Send your Spirit to transform these ordinary elements of bread and wine into agents of your presence in our lives.

All: Bless us who have gathered here out of love for you, and strengthen us by these gifts to serve you in the world and share your love with everyone we meet.

L: At this time, we remember all those with whom you would have us share your feast.

All: We pray for all who are in sorrow or in pain;

L: all who are ill or alone;

All: all who live with fear, oppression, or hunger;

L: all whom the world counts as last and least.

All: We pray for your church and its varied ministries;

L: for the nations as they strive for peace and justice;

All: for the earth, and the fragile web of life we share;

L: for our families and friends ...

(time for silent prayer & naming of prayer book concerns)

And gathering all our prayers together, we pray as Jesus taught:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...

Breaking of the Bread & Blessing of the Cup

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Prayer after Communion:

Life-giving God, we give you thanks for the gift of our Saviour's presence in the simplicity and splendour of this holy meal. Unite us with all who are fed by the life of Christ that we may faithfully proclaim the Good News of your love and that your church may be a rainbow of hope in an uncertain world; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

* Benediction:

L: Light of God to give us hope;

All: power of God to protect us.

L: Light of God to give us joy;

All: peace of God to calm us.

L: Light of God to give us faith;

All: grace of God to save us.

L: Go in peace, and in the confidence of God's blessing, with you now and always.

*Hymn: #76, (*SofG*) Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms!**

**What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms!**

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;

Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

**O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms!**

**O how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms! *Chorus***

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms!**

**I have peace complete with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms! *Chorus***

Musical Postlude

**The bulletins have been presented in loving memory of our
mother, Inez Jenkins by Helen, Ed, Alison & Children, Austin,
Dawn & Children, Mary & Kyla, Elizabeth & Marshall.**

Memorials

In loving memory of **Glen Walsh**, a donation to Pine Grove Cemetery has been received from wife, Roberta Walsh and Family.

In loving memory of **Lorna Rae Benson**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Don & Debbie Benson.

Duty Unit: June – Princess Anne Unit/**July** – Princess Street Unit

Tape Distribution: June 24 – Henry & Karen Wilson

Greeters: July 1- Don Bowman & John MacKnight/**July 8** – Muriel Lamkey, Linda Laviolette/**July 15** – Norma Weatherby & Carol Johnston/**July 22** – Mavis Williamson & Diane Baker/**July 29** – Helen Jones & Marjorie MacPhee

Sound System: June 24 – Juanita Hamilton/**July 1** – Mary Reynolds/**July 8** – Brian Savoy/**July 15** – Paul Rose/**July 22** – Brian Savoy

Power Point: June 24 – Margaret Glidden/**July 1** – Juanita Hamilton/**July 8** – Mary Reynolds /**July 15** – Karen Rose/**July 22** – Juanita Hamilton/**July 29** – Mary Reynolds

Offering Collections: June 24 – Shirley MacDonald, Frances Blakely, Gail Arsenault, Don Walls/**July 1** – Barb Doucet, Debbie Stymiest, Helen Jones, Frances Blakely/**July 8** – Mavis Williamson, John MacKnight, Merle Milson, Pat Boucher/**July 15** – Holly Daley, Hallam Curtis, Barb Doucet, Clarke Fraser/**July 22** – Dave & Brenda Hicks, Sam Shirley, Debbie Stymiest/**July 29** – Ferne & Ernie MacLean, Brian & Joan Savoy

Offering Counters:

June 24 – Margaret Glidden, Dennis & Judy Morrison/**July 1** – Brian Savoy, Barry Campbell, Hallam Curtis/**July 8** – Lib Hachey, Plen & Carol Dickson/**July 15** – Karen Rose, Hallam Curtis, Barry Campbell

Honorarium

In honour of **Muriel Lamkey's 80th Birthday**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Barry & Bev Campbell.

Announcements**This Week:**

Sunday, June 24th – *Sacrament of Communion and Birthday Box for WDR for June birthdays*

Monday, June 25th – *Church Office Closed*

- 11:30 a.m. – Rae Walls & Rainbow Unit meeting for lunch at Pizza Pro in Douglastown

Summer Hours: Starting July 1st the church service will be at 10:00 a.m. (July & August)

The Pastoral Care and Outreach Team are planning a Summer Picnic Outing for our church seniors at Middle Island on Wednesday, August 15th at 11:30 am, rain date August 22nd.

Sign-up sheet at the back of the church. If you know of a senior within the church who would like to attend, please sign them up. More information to follow.

A Strawberry Social will be held July 7th, 2018 from 1-4 pm at the Black River Hall. Shortcake: \$6.00. Ice cream with strawberries \$3.00. This is a fundraiser for St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

Canada Day Concert – Sunday, July 1st at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 360 Newcastle Blvd. Admission: free will offering. Reception will follow in the parish centre. Special music by Celtic Group Ceangal from Fredericton, NB, plus much more.

35th Canada's Irish Festival closing concert, Sunday July 22nd at James M. Hill Theatre with America's Irish Tenor, Ronan Tynan and accompanist William Lewis. Show time 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets \$35.00, door \$ 40.00 on sale at Irish Festival office, Kingston Car Wash, Brookdale Flower Shop and on line www.canadasirishfest.com or calling 778-8810.