



The United Church of Canada
L'Église Unie du Canada

St. Andrew's United Church



June 15, 2025.

Trinity Sunday/Father's Day

Our Mission Statement:

"St. Andrew's United Church is a Christian community of faith that shares Christ's love through worship, fellowship, spiritual growth, and outreach."



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Sunday Worship Service

June 15, 2025

Trinity Sunday/Father's Day

Worship Leader: Mrs. Jennifer Walker
Organist and Choir Director: Lois McKinnon
Greeters: Joan & Brian Savoy

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

*Stand as you are able.

Music Prelude:

Introit: MV # 1, vs. 4 – “Let Us Build a House”

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**

Lighting the Christ Candle – *Ferne MacLean*

Bless us, O God, as the Holy Spirit takes up her task among us,
slowly that we are empowered to take up our task, learners on the
way as followers of Jesus. Amen

Bill Perry, Belleville, ON

As the candle is lit we sing: VU #7 “Hope is a Star” vs. 1

**Hope is a star that shines in the night,
leading us on till the morning is bright.
When God is a child there's joy in our song.
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

Welcome

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Call to Worship:

Let us gather in the presence of God, our Creator.

Let us gather in the love of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

Let us gather in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.

Let us gather as God's people, created in promise, forgiven in love, and made new by the Spirit's breath.

Let us gather and worship God.

Frances Flook, Emo/Devlin P.C., Emo, Ont.

***Opening Hymn:** VU # 316, "Praise Our Maker"

Opening Prayer: (unison)

Today we gather to thank our Wondrous God for pouring out the Holy Spirit upon us, God's life-giving, fiery, loving Spirit.

We gather to thank Jesus for coming to us to teach us God's way.

We gather before God and in the company of each other to sing, to worship, to praise God's holy name.

Let us renew our spirits in God's loving presence.

Let us worship our God!

Cheryl Drillon, Trillium, U.C., St. Catharines, Ont.

The Word of God Proclaimed**Prayer for Illumination: (unison)**

Just as the disciples asked Jesus to teach them, so we ask you, Loving God, to teach us your ways and guide us to your will as we receive your word. Amen

Responsive Psalm: # 8, VU page 730-732

Scripture Readings: *Helen Jones*

Roman's 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

Ministry of Music: "Spirit Open Our Hearts"

Reflection: *Jennifer Walker*

We Respond to God's Word

***Hymn:** "This Little Light of Mine"

Announcements: *John Bosma*

Invitation to the Offering:

***Offering Hymn:** VU # 549, "For All Your Goodness, God"

For all your goodness, God,
We give you thanks.
Thanks for the food we eat,
And for the friends we meet;
For each new day we greet,
We give you thanks.

***Offering Prayer: (Unison)**

One this Trinity Sunday, we come before you, Holy God, to offer our praise and adoration, along with our gifts. You are God, the creator, giving us richly all things to enjoy. You are Christ, the Saviour of the world, made flesh to set us free. You are the Spirit of truth and love, willing to dwell in us. You are holy and blessed. One God, Eternal Trinity. We, the people formed in your image, offer these gifts to the work and world your love brings to life. Amen.

Carol O'Neil, Whitby, ON

Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer.

We are embraced, loving God, in a community that is the heart not just of our church, but also in the community that is the very heart of who you are.

Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life.

Within that great love, we are held and treasured.

And we know, as we pray, you have already heard us before the words cross our lips. You always hear our prayers. This morning we pray for our hurting world. That the war-makers will find peace and that the hungry will find food. That refugees will find shelter and injustice will be answered with all that is right and good.

Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life.

Within that great love, we are held and treasured.

We pray for all who suffer. For those we love dearly and for those we barely know. Be present in the healing touch of all those that help the sick and suffering. And send your Spirit to comfort and protect all who need you.

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We pray for all who struggle. May they find you even in the most hopeless of places. May they find your people bringing good news and hope to all.

Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life.

Within that great love, we are held and treasured.

We pray for all who are joyful. We rejoice at the promise of new life, and old lives made new. We remember those moments of blessing in our own lives and we thank you for the opportunity to use our lives to your glory, to live lives that are full, and worthy of your calling. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Out as God's People

***Closing Hymn:** VU # 586, "We Shall Go Out with Hope and Resurrection"

***Commissioning and Benediction:**

We gathered in this place to learn about God's dream that created the world,

a dream that gave us breath,

a dream that gave us life,

a dream that gave us love,

a dream that called us to dance with Wisdom.

We have shared prayer and song, committing ourselves anew to following God's Son, Jesus.

Holding God's dream, given to us in love, we go forth with open minds, hearts, and souls to bring God's dream to the world.

Amen.

Eileen Masse, Stittsville, ON

***Choral Closing:** MV 221, "I Am Walking a Path of Hope"

I am walking a path of hope,
I am walking a path of hope,
I am walking a path of hope,
lead me home,
lead me home,
I am home.

Musical Postlude



Announcements

Honorariums:

In honour of **Bruce Bremner**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from sister, Judy Donnelly.

Memorials:

In loving memory of **Dearly Departed Relatives and Friends of the Miramichi**, a donation to the Community Kitchen has been received from Art & Barb Sweezey.

In loving memory of **Aubrey McLeod**, donations to Local Funds have been received from Henry & Karen Wilson and Phyllis McLaughlin.

In loving memory of **Jack & Dorothy King**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Heather & Stan Rouselle.

In loving memory of **Paul Sweezey**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Helen and Alison Jones and Family.

In loving memory of **Robert Lamkey**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Muriel Lamkey and Family.

In loving memory of **Norman and Leon Bremner**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from sister, Judy Donnelly.

Worship:

Greeters: **June 22** – Doris Tozer & Charles Turner/
June 29 – Jeanne Breau & Marilyn McGerrigle

▪ **Sound System:** **June 15** – Brian Savoy/**June 29** – Barry Campbell

▪ **PowerPoint:** **June 15** – Mary Reynolds/**June 29** – Karen Rose

▪ **Offering Collectors:** **June 15** – Patty Deitch, Cynthia Duplessie, Dennis & Judy Morrison/**June 29** – Helen Jones, Joan & Brian Savoy, Marj MacPhee

▪ **Offering Counters:** **June 15** – Brian Savoy & Cynthia Duplessie/**June 29** – Karen Rose & Debbie Stymiest

3. Weekly Collection:

Collection on Sunday, June 8 th	\$ 1,110.00
Weekly Par Collection	<u>\$ 1,270.00</u>
Total for Week of June 8th	\$ 2,380.00

This Week:

- 1) **Thursday, June 19th** – 1:00 p.m. – Fitness Class here at St. Andrew's
- 2) **Sunday, June 22nd will be Graduation Recognition Sunday** and people are invited to submit a photo of their graduates whether it's your child, your grandchild or great grandchild. Please include a short write up including: where they are graduating from, the son/daughter of and grandparents names and what their future plans are. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, June 18th.

Pastoral Care:

Rev Alice Szemok is covering for any pastoral emergencies. If you need pastoral care, please contact the church office at 506-773-9932, and Karen will arrange it.

Fundraisers:

Winner of May 11th draw – *Barry Whitty*

Winner of \$500 in gift cards – *Liz Mullin*

Winner of 43" TV – *Shelley Gorman*

- 2) **Good Used Clothing Sale** will take place on August 21st, 22nd and 23rd. More information will follow. Anyone who has donations to drop off of clothing, linens, purses, books, jewellery may do so during regular business hours. All donations can be placed downstairs behind the bifold doors in the church hall.

(PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ON CHURCH STEPS)

Community:

- 1) **Celebrate Canada with the Villagers Choral Group.** Featuring special guests: Miramichi Fiddlers, Melissa Barry, Susan Butler. Monday, June 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the Kin Centre. Free will offering, a portion of the proceeds going to Harvest House.

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