



The United Church of Canada
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St. Andrew's United Church



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Sunday, January 25, 2026

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

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



Worship Leader: Daniel Szemok, LLWL

Organist and Choir Director: Lois McKinnon

Greeters: Debbie Stymiest & Norma Richardson

Sunday Worship Service

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

*Stand as you are able.

Musical Prelude

Welcome

*Introit: "Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

O my soul, worship your holy name.

Sing like never before,

O my soul; I'll worship your holy name.

Lighting of the Christ Candle: *Cynthia Duplessie*

Light of the World, Mighty Saviour, who are you, that you should care for us? Who are you, that despite our evil and wickedness you love us? Love is here, love is among us! Do you not see it? He has a name, it's Jesus!

Candle is lit as we sing: VU # 96, "Will You Come and See the Light" vs. 5

Will you travel by the light of the babe new born?

In the candle lit at night there's a gleam of dawn,

and the darkness all about

is to dim to put it out:

will you hide, or decide to meet the light?

Call to Worship: (bolded sections only)

Come, listen up, a great thing has happened, the Kingdom of God is near!

We are here and ready to answer the call of Christ!

Come, listen up, do not hide your faults from the one who knows all!

We are here to admit our faults, our wrongs and our sins.

Jesus came not to judge the world but to save it!

We are here to be renewed by the one who gave his life for us!

Amen.

Opening Hymn: VU # 395, "Come In, Come In and Sit Down"

Opening Prayer: (unison)

Eternal God, you created us and you rescued us. Be here with us now. Help us know to how much we need you. Help us to realize that no other power can transform us like yours. As you share your power with us, teach us to be like Christ to the world, proclaiming your reign for all people. As you lavish your love upon us help us receive that love and offer it to the world. In Jesus' name Amen.

*Hymn: VU 681, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" vs. 1,2,4 & 5

Conversation for the Young at Heart

Offering

Choral Offertory:

Sing thanks to our God.

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Offertory Prayer: (bolded sections only)

Abundant Creator, why did you call me to be generous? You have limitless resources! Why must the hungry and the needy be cared for by a portion of what is mine?

Do you not know, that everything you have comes from me? Do you not know that I give strength to your muscles and energy for your cells and power for your brain?

Forgive me Lord, when I falsely believe that what I have is only for me. Thank you for the power you give day after day! Help me to be kind and generous to those who are in need! Amen.

We Hear the Word Proclaimed

Ministry of Music: "See Amid the Winter's Snow"

Sermon: My Goodness.....Your Goodness

Prayer

We Respond

A Special Moment of the History of St. Andrew's

Announcements: *Judy Bowman*

* Hymn: VU 639, "One More Step Along the World I Go"

*Commissioning & Benediction:

*Choral Closing: "**Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing**" vs. 1

**Lord dismiss us with Thy blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh refresh us, Oh, refresh us,
As we enter the New Year. Amen.**

Musical Postlude

Sermon Note:

Announcements

The congregation of St. Andrew's would like to welcome a new member to its choir, Brenda Landry, we are so glad to have you join the music and worship of St. Andrew's.

Memorials:

In loving memory of **Inez Jenkins**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Mary & Kyla Reynolds.

In loving memory of **Elsie Upham**, donations to Local Funds have been received from Wayne & Liz Mullin, Joan & Brian Savoy

Greeters: Feb. 1 Brian & Joan Savoy/**Feb. 8** – Karen Rose & Helen Jones

▪ **Sound System: Jan. 25** – Don Bowman/**Feb. 1** – Paul Rose

▪ **PowerPoint: Jan. 25** – Barry Campbell/**Feb. 1** – Mary Reynolds

▪ **Offering Collectors: Jan. 25** – Carolyn Shirley, Valerie Flynn, Carol Johnston, Judy Donnelly/**Feb. 1** – Barry & Bev Campbell, Judy Bowman, Cynthia Duplessie

▪ **Offering Counters: Jan. 25** – Carol Johnston & Liz Mullin/**Feb. 1** – Judy & Dennis Morrison

▪ **Weekly Collection:**

Collection on Sunday, Jan. 18 th	\$ 1,765.00
Weekly Par Collection	<u>\$ 1,259.00</u>
Total for Week of Jan. 18th	\$ 3,024.00

This Week:

Thursday, Jan. 29th – 12 noon – St. Andrew's Social Club is holding a "Yankee Swap" for all the ladies in the congregation. Everyone is invited to bring in small gift (wrapped or bagged) it can be a regular gift or a fun gift. This will be pot luck luncheon so you are invited to help with the luncheon. We will share fellowship and have lots of laughter. You are invited to bring a friend.

Thursday, Jan. 29th – 7:00 p.m. – Property & Finance Meeting

Saturday, Jan. 31 – 10:00 a.m. - St. Andrew's Breakfast Group meets again for the New Year at the Portage Restaurant. All are welcome.

Upcoming:

Sunday, Feb. 1 – Birthday Box for WDR (January Birthdays)

Sunday, Feb. 1 – We will be collecting non-perishable goods for the Food Bank once again. Your generosity is much appreciated by the Miramichi Food Bank and especially their clients.

Monday, Feb. 2 – 10:30 a.m. – Church Council Meeting

Monday, Feb. 2 – 1:00 p.m. – St. Andrew's Fitness Club

Fundraisers:

Thursday, Feb. 12th – 7:00 p.m. – “Love Is in the Air” Valentines Dessert & Concert by the Villagers Choral Group will be held here at St. Andrew's. Tickets are \$20 a person and are on sale now through the church office, calling Karen at 506-773-9932 or Lois at 506-625-2250

Tuesday, Feb. 17th – St. Andrew's will hold the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper once again. It will consist of pancakes, sausage, homemade beans, and a variety of delicious desserts.

Community:

Sunday, Feb. 8th – 5:00 p.m. - Annual White Gold Dinner/Concert. This will be held at the Beaverbrook Kin Centre. There will be door prizes and the menu caters to special diets. Tickets are \$45.00 each by reservation only. Call Susan at 506-622-1780 or e – mail susanbutler867@gmail.com

Wednesday, Feb. 18th – 7:00 p.m. – Combined Ash Wednesday Service will be held at Carmel United Church, Loggieville.

Anyone in need of Emergency Pastoral Care please contact the church office at 506-773-9932 and Karen will look after the arrangements.

Minute for Mission

Where Neighbours Meet



In Halifax, NS, Brunswick Street Mission is a steady presence for people who need support, connection, and dignity. Every day, neighbours come through its doors to find a place where they are seen and valued.

Every weekday morning, the Mission serves a hot breakfast. For many, it's the most reliable meal they will have that day. Staff serve eggs, protein, toast, fruit, juice, and coffee, and they do so with care and connection. Some enjoy breakfast in the dining area, while others take their meal to go. Either way, the meal offers nourishment, but also a sense of stability and welcome.

The Mission's café offers a warm, safe space to land. People gather around puzzles, books, and quiet rest areas, sharing moments of calm that are often hard to find elsewhere.

The food bank continues the spirit of dignity and choice. Community members shop with a grocery cart, selecting items that fit their cultural traditions, dietary needs, and personal preferences. Gluten-free, vegetarian, and other specialized options are available whenever possible.

Staff walk alongside people navigating difficult systems—from housing and health care to replacing lost documents—always recognizing that the people they serve are the experts

of their own lives. They listen, they support, and they create pathways where obstacles once felt insurmountable. Support from [Mission and Service](#) helps Brunswick Street Mission keep doors open, meals hot, and spaces safe. Together, we walk alongside the Mission and its community, ensuring that it remains a place where people can rest, connect, and find small but meaningful ways to thrive.

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