

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY JULY 10, 2016

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship: *Adapted from Psalms 124:8; 118:24; 51:15*

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Minister: This is the day the Lord has made;

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: and our mouths will proclaim your praise.

Opening Hymn: Praise my Soul the King of Heaven No. 407

Opening Prayer:

Minister: Lord, you have been our dwelling place for all generations, and we find our true homes only in you.

Before you made the world, you have been God forever.

People: Satisfy us with your steadfast love this morning so that we would rejoice and be glad all our days.

Minister: Let your work be known in our lives and let your favour rest upon us,

People: for the sake of your holy name and for the sake of our children. Amen.

Adapted from Psalm 90:1-4; 14-17

Prayer of Confession:

Minister: Merciful God,

Our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide,
to deep to undo.

We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,

Help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Sung Response: Lord Have Mercy (3 X)

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Song: I Will Call Upon the Lord

No. 408

Children's Time

(Children to grade 4 go to Sunday School. There is a Nursery in the room at the end of the gym for your use.)

Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reader: Edie Wright

Sermon: "**Heart Transplant**"

Rev. Dana Benson

Psalm 51 is one of the seven penitential psalms. The psalm appeals to God's goodness, mercy and compassion as the psalmist cries out for divine forgiveness. Throughout the Psalm, sin is acknowledged in the images of rebelliousness, waywardness, and failure. It acknowledges the relational barrier that sin creates and the importance of inner renewal that only God can bring. God's forgiveness and restoration lead to testimony and praise.

Hymn: Create in Me a Clean Heart

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People: adapted from Psalm 16

Minister: O Lord God,

Reader: Keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge.

People: you are our warrior, our strength, our refuge. With you at our right hand sustaining us we will not be shaken. Because you surround us with your love we will not fail. You are great and worthy of all praise. You are glorious and in you we put our trust.

Reader:

I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure, because you will not abandon

me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay.

People: O Lord God, when we look around we see that everything is prone to *decay*. Everything that that was once young, new, and bursting with life ages and is overcome by death.

Minister: The flowers in the field and the fruit on the trees wither and fade. Trees that once produced a kaleidoscope of colors are blown over and turned into ash. Puppies and cubs, kittens and chicks all grow up, live on your earth for a while, and then die.

People: Homes are swept away in torrents of water. Lives are taken by disease or violence. Marriages are threatened by neglected vows and forgiveness neither asked for nor given. Once-stable societies are thrown into chaos by civil war or economic collapse.

Minister: Sin has its grip on your creation, and so when we look around we see that everything is prone to *decay* and death.

But you, O Lord, would *not let your Holy Son see decay. You did not abandon him to the grave.*

By your power you raised Jesus from the grave. By the same power that raised Jesus from the dead you sent your Spirit to bring us resurrection life.

People: Therefore our hearts are glad and our tongues rejoice because you are the one who has transformed death so that it leads to life.

When we look with eyes of faith we praise you for a world that is bursting with life.

Minister: Because you are the God of life, the very seeds that are scattered after the fruit has fallen will spring to life again. The tiny acorn will someday become a mighty oak tree that brings you glory.

People: Every living creature—hares and hounds, field mice and cats—all proclaim the wonder of the life that comes from the Creator who rejoices in their power and grace.

Reader: You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

Minister: Even in the face of tragedy, loss, and death we see your body, the church, alive and carrying on the

ministry of reconciliation. Homes that were destroyed by nature or by war are rebuilt in the name of Jesus. Families that were torn apart by neglect or even by hatred learn how to love again and have hope. People and nations rise up out of the ashes of war to live together in peace and learn again to trust.

All: Life-giving Spirit, we ask you to translate the groaning of our hearts to the listening ear of our Father in Heaven, because we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who has sent you to be our Comforter, and who has taught us to pray, Our Father...

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Becoming Whole in Jesus Christ

St. Andrew's: a vibrant community of faithful, thoughtful and loving disciples of Jesus Christ.



So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!
2 Corinthians 5: 17

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The Offering
 Dedication: We Give Thee But Thine Own see screens
 Offertory Prayer
 Closing Hymn: God Whose Giving Knows No Ending No. 663
 Benediction
 Minister: Now to him who is able to keep you from falling, and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of his glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power,

and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.
 (Jude 24, 25)

Choral Blessing: Go Now in Peace
 (Inside Cover of the Book of Praise and on screens)
 Postlude

Enter to Worship.....Leave to Serve



Large print bulletins are available. Ask an usher.

Hearing assisted devices are available for you to borrow each Sunday morning. They are a small earphone with a volume control. Ask any of the ushers and they will show you how to use it.

Ushers: Russ Pierson, Gerry Langlois, Jane Mills, Shirley Byers

Head Counter: Dave Howell

Sunday School Teacher: Pat Bell

Reader: Peter Middleton

Welcome to this service of worship at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Owen Sound: we are happy to have you with us. If you are a visitor, or a newcomer to Owen Sound, please sign the guest book (by the exit doors) with your name and complete address.

We **pray** for the clergy and congregations of our local Ministerial Association, especially this week, Georgian Shores United Church with Revs. Roy and Gwen Nichol-Macdonald.

Summer worship hours:
9:00 a.m.: Fellowship Time in the C.E. Hall
9:30 a.m.: Worship Service

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Summer Church Office Hours: mornings only.

Prayer Requests: For extra support during difficult times. If you have prayer requests you may phone these people

who are on the prayer chain: Pat Edwards 376-0451, Sandra Barker 371-7552, Dee Renaud 519-422-2616 or email her at deerenaud25@gmail.com or the church office 376-7886. This group of people will pray for you or someone you know.

Pantry: tinned meat, chunky style soup, men's socks

Sandwich Makers: canned meat, bread

OSHARE: coffee cream

Food Bank: canned fruit



Many **thanks** to our church family for the cards, prayers and donations in memory of my mom, Peg Atton. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. Nancy & Ken Robinson

Vacation Bible School

July 18-22 & 24.

Sign up now at the church office.

Campfire Sundays: Tonight at 7 pm. Ken & Nancy Robinson.

2825 3 Ave. West. Everyone welcome!

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Established 1925

**Minister: Rev. Dana Benson, B.A., M.A. (Theological Studies),
M. Div.**

Creative Worship Co-Ordinator (9 am): Erika Mills

**Interim Music Director (10:30 am): Lesley Hallett B. Music,
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