

Welcome to *First-St Andrew's* **UNITED CHURCH**

Where liberal theology meets the best of tradition



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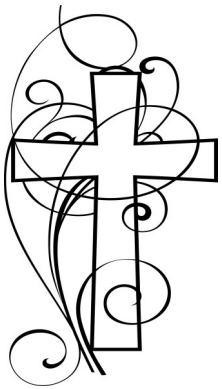
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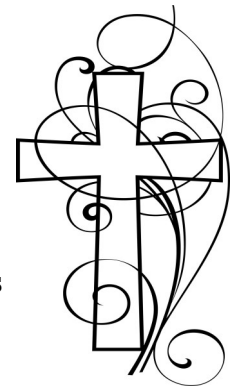
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Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at revmichelledown@fsaunited.com or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

Bold type indicates congregational response. * indicates to stand, if able.

Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Variations on KELVINGROVE

Denis Bedard

Welcome & Announcements

United Church Report on New Boundaries:

Joyce Payne

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Lighting the Christ Candle:

John & Justin Cesarini

Music: MV #161 I Have Called You by Your Name - choir

KELLY

Call to Worship:

Nancy Quinn

One: What do you do when God calls?

ALL: Wake up. Listen. Pay Attention. Act.

One: What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

ALL: Wake up. Listen. Pay Attention. Act.

One: What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

ALL: Wake up. Listen. Pay Attention. Act. Because, with God, *nothing is impossible.*

One: Not even changing ourselves?

ALL: Not even changing ourselves to grow and mature into the Disciples that God would have us be!



Stewardship Seconds:

Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit;
good stewardship is practicing good self-care.

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Nancy Quinn

One: Holy and Loving God, the human family sings of a love enduring forever.

ALL: We know that love was born from you.

One: Mary, deeply open to the work of creativity inside her, carried the song of divine revelation in her life.

**ALL: She was so conscious of Your work.
She was so open to carrying Your life.**

One: Like her, others have cultivated that measure of awareness,
Have gotten involved,
Have known your strength,
Have responded by listening,
Have listened by letting a new life emerge within them, and around them.

**ALL: Like Mary, they have welcomed fulfillment in their lives.
O, that our practise of bearing the Christ would stretch our capacity
for love, creativity, trust and maturity. Holy God, Most High, help us
feel the place inside of us, where you are growing now. Amen.**

*Hymn: VU #345 Come, Children, Join to Sing

MADRID

Forming Young Faith: Let's Go Fishing!

Jane Dockrill

Anthem: Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me

Reginald Unterseher

Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

Chris Lindsay

Message: Growing and Maturing in Faith

*Hymn: VU #509 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM, LORD

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offertory Music: Offertory on HERE I AM, LORD

Douglas Wagner

***Offertory Refrain:** VU #96 Will You Come and See the Light

KELVINGROVE

Will you come and see the light from the stable door?
It is shining newly bright, though it shone before.
It will be your guiding star, it will show you who you are;
will you hide, or decide to meet the light?

Will you step into the light that can free the slave?
It will stand for what is right, it will heal and save.
By the pyramids of greed there's a longing to be freed;
will you hide, or decide to meet the light?

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn:** VU#567 Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

***Blessing and Benediction**

***Benediction Response:** MV#97 Listen, God is Calling

Choir will sing first time, Congregation is invited to join second and third times.

Listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.

Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Fanfare on an Original Theme

Gilbert Martin

The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Peggy & Bob Watson, Karin Barth, Cherry Bulmer

Narthex Co-ordinator: Catherine Charlton

Coffee & Conversation: David & Pat Flynn, Mason Robichaud

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.

First-St. Andrew's United Church Staff

Rev. Michelle Down Minister of Worship and Congregational Life

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