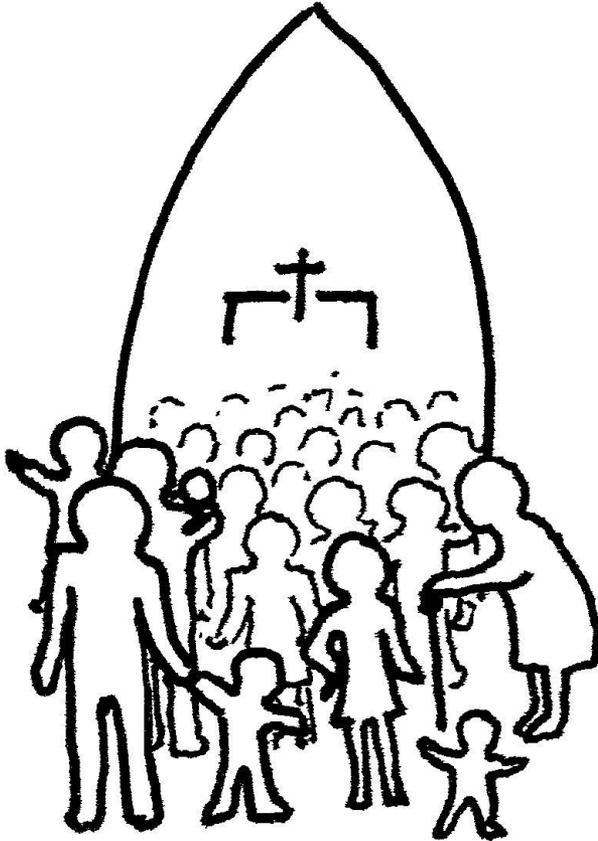


ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

Harvey Station, New Brunswick

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If you are curious and have come to explore...

If you are weary and have come to rest...

If you are grateful and have come to give thanks...

If you are hurting and have come for solace....

If you are listening and have come to pray...

If you are seeking and have come to join fellow seekers...

PJILA'SI ❖ WELCOME ❖ BIENVENUE

October 4, 2020

Celebrating the Season of Creation

GATHERING

Music to Welcome Us

*the asterisk * indicates rising in body or spirit*

Welcome & 'This Week' at St. Andrew's

Notices, birthdays and anniversaries, significant events, Candle of Concern

Entry into the Celebration ~ Lighting the Christ Candle

the Christ candle is lit

Introduction

Music “All Creatures of Our God and King”

We Say Good Morning to God

We Say Sorry to God *together*

Good morning, God.

We have to say sorry

for many things we do without thinking.

Some days we take too much.

Some days we talk too much.

Some days we don't pay attention

to the birds and the butterflies and the trees

and what they have to say.

We're sorry we spoil places

where we walk with litter

and sometimes forget to do the recycling.

We can make a mess of things, O God.

And we're sorry.

We Hear a Kind Word from Jesus

GROWING WITH GOD

Learning Together “St. Francis and Christmas Eve”

Bible reading: Luke 2:1-7

Music “Jesus Our Brother, Kind and Good”

Blessing of the Animals

CENTERING

Centering Silence

Gathering as we do in this sacred place,

we pause again to reflect, to feel, and to commit

to thoughtful and mindful intention.

We wonder again about the ebb and flow
of this living, breathing, expanding universe...
And of this community.

We give our attention right now
to each other,
to new beginnings,
to this time,
to this season.

May this time spent in sacred silence, empower us
to once again be open-eyed and open-sensed
to the beauty and the oneness
of all people and things.

Moment for Silent Reflection

Solo "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Nancy Durelle

EXPLORING

Wisdom from our Religious Tradition

Psalm 104; "To Learn from Animal Being" by *John O'Donohue*

Learning Together

AFFIRMING

We Dedicate Our Gifts ~ Prayer

Prayer for the Day

Thomas Carruth, adapted

The kingdom of love is coming because:
somewhere someone is kind when others are unkind,
somewhere someone shares with another in need,
somewhere someone refuses to hate, while others hate,
somewhere someone is patient - and waits in love,
somewhere someone returns good for evil,
somewhere someone serves another, in love,
somewhere someone is calm in a storm,
somewhere someone is loving everybody.
Help that someone to be me. Amen.

The Prayer that Jesus Taught

SCATTERING

***Blessing for the Way**

Music to Send Us Out "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Welcome back! We're so glad you are here!

It is so good to be back together again. We need you to help keep us safe, healthy and together under one roof! Please wear a mask and sanitize your hands upon entering and exiting the church building. Respect 2 m (6 feet) distancing while in worship and in our parking lot. Your ushers are here to help you get to where you need to go. If you have a question or concern once you are seated, raise your hand and an usher will be there to help.

Session Meeting – October 7, 7pm

Thank You!

Thank you! In this time of transition your generosity helps!

Your ongoing support of the ministry and mission of St. Andrew's United Church means that we can keep doing what we've always done – care for each other and our neighbours in this time and in this place.

Together we do important work.

Here are the best ways to financially support the ministry we share:

Offering plates are located at the entrance and exit of the sanctuary for your envelope and/or loose offering

Through e-transfers:

The email address to use is: standrewsharvey@gmail.com

Through PAR (pre-authorized remittance) for your ongoing financial support: <https://www.united-church.ca/.../f.../resources/par-brochure.pdf>

By cheques:

Harvey Station Pastoral Charge – St. Andrew's United

137 Arnold Little Road

Harvey, NB E6k 1S7

Attn: Sabina

Also, donations can be received through Canada Helps:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/.../harvey-station-pastoral-char.../>

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Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked on this land, their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality.

We are gathered on the unceded traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq peoples and acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

WELCOME A warm welcome is extended to all. Especially those who are worshipping with us for the first time or who have returned after an absence. Your presence both enriches us and this time of celebration together.



St. Andrew's United is equipped with a hearing loop. To enjoy better hearing in the loop, switch your hearing aid or cochlear device to one of the following settings:

- T
- T-Coil
- Telephone

FOODBANK SUNDAY is the last Sunday of the month. Locally, our ongoing support of the Food Banks is vital. Offerings of food and financial support enable many people to have access to the food they need.

Children are an important part of our church and are always welcome in worship. For now, regular Sunday school programming is taking a break. Until Sunday school resumes, there are weekly 'children's church' pew packs available for active minds and bodies. You can find them at the entrance of the sanctuary. If you missed them on the way in and want one, please raise your hand and an usher will get one for you. **Please take your pew pack home with you following worship.** While our nursery facilities are closed due to COVID-19 restrictions, both washrooms in the CE Centre are equipped with changing tables. Nice to see you! We are glad you are here!

Ways you can support our ministry at St. Andrew's United Church

Sign up to be a Sunday morning usher or to lend a hand with cleaning. Come to one of our monthly Zoom gatherings like *Theology on Tap* or *Coffee and Conversation*. Play an instrument or sing a solo during worship. Like and share our Facebook posts. Use PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) for sharing financial gifts. There are lots of ways to support our shared ministry. Together we make a difference. For more info contact Rev. Christine at rev.christinejohnson@gmail.com or 366-3220