

Welcome to Worship!

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE E-BULLETIN

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023

EPIPHANY 3A

WELCOME

PRELUDE

'Flower of Flowers' for flute & organ by Stephen Brown

CALL TO WORSHIP: RESPONSIVE

The people who are now living in darkness will see a great light.

They are now living in a very dark land.

But a light will shine on them.

A child will be born to us.

A son will be given to us. He will rule over us.

And He will be called

Wonderful Adviser and Mighty God.

He will also be called Father Who Lives
Forever

and Prince Who Brings Peace.

There will be no limit to how great His authority is.

The peace He brings will never end.

The Lord's great love will make sure that happens.

He rules over all.

HYMN # 269 Your kingdom come, O God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: UNISON
We confess, Forgiving God, that we want
You to look favorably upon us always, but
have too often turned our backs on those
around us. Hear us as we speak of our
failures! Have mercy on us. May Your love
become the core of our hearts, may Your
compassion become the words we speak,
may Your hope illuminate the ways in which
we serve others, even as we seek to follow

the One who calls us to new life, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God calls to us in love and forgiveness and welcomes us with a warm embrace. Hear the good news of the Gospel. Rejoice that in Christ we are forgiven, and be at peace; with God, yourself, and with each other.

HYMN BOOKLET Pg. 10 I am the light of the world

CHOIR ANTHEM

'The Lord bless you and keep you' by John Rutter

The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
To shine upon you and be gracious
And be gracious, unto you
The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
To shine upon you and be gracious
And be gracious, unto you

The Lord lift up the light
Of his countenance upon you
The Lord lift up the light

Of his countenance upon you And give you peace

And give you peace
And give you peace

And give you peace
Amen

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, we seek Your wisdom and truth in the scriptures. Send Your Holy Spirit to open our minds and hearts to receive the gift of Your Word. Challenge us in what we hear that we may apply these words in our hearts and live them in our lives. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 27:1, 4-9 page 503-504 NT Matthew 4:18-23 page 3-4 NT

MEDITATION

A Higher Calling

MUSICAL REFLECTION

'Kelvingrove: Air' by Matthew H Corl (Will you come and follow me) arranged for flute & organ

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Please remain seated while singing.

Jesus called the first disciples as He calls us today. He asks us to bring our gifts in Jesus' name, not knowing whose lives might be touched, but trusting that something good will come of everything we offer to God. Let us give faithfully back to God what God has given to us.

HYMN # 634 Will you come and follow me

DOXOLOGY # 79

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Use our gifts, Loving God, so others might not be frightened by life; but that they may be sheltered in the security of Your grace; and they might be welcomed within Your beloved family. In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

We pray together in Jesus' name... Our
Father, who art in heaven – hallowed be thy
name. Thy kingdom come – thy will be done
– on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day
our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as
we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and
the glory, for ever. Amen

HYMN # 480 In Christ there is no east or west

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Let us take God's light into the world.
Go and join others in this pilgrimage of trust.
Go and gather the burdens of others.
Take away their fears and offer them to Jesus,

who walks beside us in every valley.

Go and live in the Spirit's presence.

AMEN # 264 Sing Amen

Follow the Spirit into God's peace.

POSTLUDE

'Offertoire sur les grands jeux' by Nicolas de Grigny

RESPONSE AFTER READINGS 'The word of the Lord/ Thanks be to God'

MINISTER

Pastor Mitch Coggin

WORSHIP READER

Patti Jackson

MUSICIAN

Alberta Brown, Flute

This week, a brief coffee will be served in the Lecture Room before the Budget Meeting begins in the Sanctuary!

REMINDERS

Jam for Sale: Get some of Anne Lambie's homemade preserves! All proceeds go to St. Andrew's. \$5 for one jar, \$20 for 5 jars.

Variety of flavours available. Contact the office to place your order!

Open Church & Meditation Hour: Open Church is from 12:00 - 1:00 pm, and Meditation Hour is 4:30 - 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary every Wednesday.

Congregational Budget Meeting: Please attend this important meeting TODAY to approve the church budget for 2023. After worship, refreshments will be served in the Lecture Room, and shortly after the meeting will begin back in the Sanctuary.

The Rabbie (Robert) Burns Tea: Join us

TODAY to celebrate the Great Bard with tea and Scottish entertainment. St. Andrew's Kirk Hall, door at 2:00, entrance by donation limited seating!

Thursday Social: Starting next week on January 26! Come for the afternoon or just pop in for a few minutes to say hello. Coffee/tea is on, in the Lecture Room, Thursday afternoons - from 2-4 pm. Meet with friends, bring a friend or make new

The Link Deadline: the February Link deadline will be January 29th, 2023. Send your contributions to thelink@shaw.ca.

The Ascendency of the String Quartet: Saturday, February 18th, 7:30pm at St.

friends.All are welcome.

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The McDades Concert: Friday, February 24th, 7:30pm at St. Andrew's. Presented by Beacon Ridge Productions. The McDades' Celtic-rooted music fuses the spontaneity of

Annual General Meeting: Sunday, February

26th. More information to follow.

Thank you for joining in worship at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Victoria!

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