

St. Andrew's Mission Statement:

Embracing and expressing our love for God through prayer, sacraments, hospitality, outreach and service to all.



Sunday February 17th, 2019 10:30am

News From Session

The Natural Church Development (NCD) Survey results indicated that St Andrew's is right on the "average" of 2500 churches in Canada (across all denominations) that have undertaken the survey. This is *good* news is a mark of our health! The survey also identified our greatest strength as "loving relationships" and our present weakness as "passionate spirituality"; many traditional churches have that same weakness. Whatever we may think of that result, we also have to acknowledge that it is the churches in the mainline denominations that are *not* growing. Incidentally, "passionate spirituality" *doesn't* mean Pentecostalism! Rather, it indicates that many people don't regard the Bible and prayer, etc. as particularly engaging, important, or relevant for *everyday* life. And connected with that aspect of our God-consciousness, there is a lack of expectation, hope, or vision for God to be powerfully at work in this church in the future. Or so the survey indicates. While we *rejoice* in our strengths and overall health, we need to reflect on what this means for our moving forward.

Please pray for Session as it considers these results and plans for the future.

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE February 17th, 2019 (10:30am)

* Indicates to stand if able

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 1)

King of all the earth, Creator of the universe, from everlasting to everlasting, you are LORD.

Your law brings life, O LORD, and we meditate on it day and night;

You are a rich stream of living waters, and we immerse ourselves in you;

Happy are we when we walk in your ways, O LORD.

You bring forth fruit in due season and establish the work of our hands;

Who is like our God, the One whose ways are just and merciful?

This is our God, the Holy One. Come before him with thanksgiving and offer him the sacrifice of praise.

*Hymn 321: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Announcements

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord's Prayer: (sung) 831 ("debts and debtors")

Choir Anthem: "According To The Grace Of God"

Gifts Doxology (sung)* Offertory Prayer

Baptism of Charlotte Joanne Beverly Ross

Hymn 373: Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 12–23.

*Hymn 358: There Is A Redeemer

Sermon: **If Christ Has Not Been Raised . . .**

Intercessory Prayer

*Hymn 440: For All The Love (*Tune: For All the Saints*)

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude: "John Brown's Body"

Visiting? Please sign our guest book.

Card Night: Tuesdays, 7pm

Prayer Chain: For your prayer requests contact Kathleen Knott: kknott4@cogeco.ca.

Boarding Home visiting: Thursdays 2:30pm.

Choir Practice: Thursdays 7pm.

Book Study: Wednesdays 7pm, February 20th, on "Suffering and the Search for Meaning" by Richard Rice (Chapter 3).

Richmond Terrace Service – Cancelled this week.

Presbytery meets Tues 19th Feb at Paulin Memorial.

Next Sunday: Annual Meeting (and lunch)!

World Day of Prayer Service at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Friday March 1st at 7pm.

Tim's Office Hours: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:30-12:30.

