

We welcome all who worship with us today

The Life & Work of St. Andrew's...

Today: 3:00 p.m. service at the Drew
5 for 5:30 p.m. Congregational Potluck @ St. Ann's

Choir Rehearsals...

7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday 12 December
10:00 a.m. Sunday 16 December

Looking Ahead...

Worship Services Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
Family Christmas Eve Service 5 p.m.
Communion Christmas Eve Service 11 p.m.
Christmas Day Service 11 a.m.

In the Community...

The MtA Bands Society is hosting a Community Carol Sing-A-Long
University chapel - December 11th at 7:30p.m.
Donations will be accepted at the door and there will be refreshments afterwards

❄ Winter Weather Cancellation Policy ❄

To find out if a service is cancelled on a Sunday morning with inclement weather you may:

- 1) check the website – a notice will be posted on the main page
- 2) call the church (536-1952) – notice will be given as part of the standard greeting on the answering service.

Notices of cancellation will be made by 9:30a.m.
for both website and phone answering service.

As we gather for worship we acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq peoples. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which the Mi'kmaq peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

Minister - Rev. Jeffrey Murray Today's Organist – Laura Snyder
▪ Home: 536-3311 ▪ Mobile/Text: 364-3707 Choir Director – Jarred Beckerton
Clerk of Session – Laura Snyder ▪ 536-4520 Today's Reader – Anne Miller
Chair of Board – Art Miller ▪ 536-2576 Today's Greeters – Art & Anne Miller

Cover image: St John the Baptist, Angel of the Desert (17th Century, Russian)
Prayer Tree - if you have prayer requests or wish to be part of
the Prayer Tree please contact Mary Bogaard: mbogaard@eastlink.ca

Sunday Bulletins & Calendar of events can be found at www.sapres.ca



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Our Purpose

*"To see Christ more clearly, to love him more dearly,
to follow him more nearly, day by day."*

2nd Sunday of Advent

*indicates to stand as able

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Navy book – *The Book of Praise*

Red book – *The Book of Psalms*

GOD SPEAKS IN SCRIPTURE

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 3:1-4, p. 778.

Responsive Psalm: Luke 1:68-79 (Insert)

Epistle Reading: Philippians 1:3-11, p. 953.

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:1-6, p. 834.

Sermon *“Prepare the way”*

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude

*Entrance of the Bible

*Hymn (*unannounced*): Herald! Sound the note of judgement 117 *The Book of Praise*

*Call to Worship (Responsive):

Minister: Let our mouth be filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy!

Congregation: *The Lord has done great things for us and we shall rejoice!*

Prayers of Approach

Adoration

Confession (*unison*):

**God of Salvation,
your servant John proclaimed
a baptism of repentance.
We earnestly seek your forgiveness
and desire to repent of our manifold sins...
for we have not loved you,
and have not been peaceful with our neighbour.**

**In your mercy, forgive us,
and help us to repent
that we may prepare the way of the Lord,
Jesus Christ our Prince of Peace.
AMEN.**

{Silent Confession}

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn: All earth is waiting (vv.1-3)

109 *The Book of Praise*

Young Worshippers

*Hymn: All earth is waiting (v.4)

109 *The Book of Praise*

WE RESPOND TO GOD

*Hymn: There’s a voice in the wilderness 128 *The Book of Praise*

128 *The Book of Praise*

*Affirmation of faith (*Unison*)

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

*Sung Refrain (*tune on inside front cover of “The Book of Praise”*):

There is one true God whom to know is life eternal, whom to serve is joy and peace.

Prayers of Intercession

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Presentation of Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology (79 *The Book of Praise*)

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Dedication

Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

***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.***

WE ARE SENT BY GOD

*Hymn (*unannounced*): Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go 652 *The Book of Praise*

652 *The Book of Praise*

*Charge & Benediction

*Choral Amen (780 *The Book of Praise*)

Postlude