

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH 33077 Second Ave, Mission, BC, V2V 1J7 P: 604-826-8296 E: mission.uc@shaw.ca https://www.saintandrewsunited.church St. Andrew's is a member church of Affirm United

Announcements for Sept 7th, 2025



We look forward to seeing you this Sunday at 11:30am!



Margaret Mitchell - September 5 Jaden Galbiati – September 16 Karen Heisler – September 21 Joshua Bouchir – September 24 Glenn McTaggart – September 25

Our Prayer List

Please hold these people and families in your heart and prayers.

John ◆ Daryl ◆ Ted ◆ Janice ◆ Maggie ◆ Sherry Adrian ◆ David ◆ Barb ◆ Rudi

Blessings, Pastoral Care Team

Please contact Beate Pothmann to be included or removed

Minister's Message

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' - Matthew 35:34-40.

Siblings in Christ,

My understanding of Jesus Christ is that he shows us what the fullest presence of God looks like in a human being. Jesus is a particular case of a universal truth: that God is present in every human being. When we offer kindness to another human being therefore, we honour God Themself. The above passage demonstrates that the righteous are often surprised to be reminded of this. They help those in need just as a matter of course: without thought of honour and reward.

The flip side, as further verses will make clear, is that those who are cruel and selfish are also often surprised to hear that, in rejecting those in need, they have also rejected God.

One of the strengths of the United Church is that we are often willing to examine ourselves and confess those times when we have thus rejected God.

It is important to balance this, however, by recognizing and celebrating those times we do get it right. I want to share with you that twice in the last two weeks, I have had people

come up to me after worship and tell me, "I saw the rainbow on the sign and I knew this was a safe place." My friends, the church should be a safe place. You are doing it right. Thank you.

Yours in Christ,

Tim

Weekly Worship Elements

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 1:3-10 Psalm 104:24-30 Luke 5:1-11

HYMNS

"Sing for God's Glory"
TLUS 84 - "Heleluyan"
VU 229 - "God of the Sparrow"
TLUS 70 [Sung] - The Lord's Prayer
"We Give You But Your Own"
"Blue Boat Home"
MV 145 - "Draw the Circle Wide"

Current Events at St. Andrew's

SHERRY EDMUNDS-FLETT On Friday, September 12th there will be a memorial gathering for Sherry Edmonds-Flett in the hall. More information to follow.

Ongoing Events at St. Andrew's

LECTIO DIVINA (BIBLE STUDY) Wednesdays at **11am** in the chapel.

CHOIR PRACTICE Sundays after service. Check with Deborah for full schedule.

MEET & EAT DATES & LOCALS

Sept 9 - Five Forks Oct 14 - The Station Grill

Cluster & Shared Announcements

ROMEO Retired Old Men Eating Out: **Every second Friday**, **7am** at JoJo's Restaurant, Abbotsford. For more information, contact Don Strangway at Trinity.

Please Note!

BROADCAST WORSHIP SERVICE St. Andrew's offers our service by Zoom. Link for Zoom services: For Video – click here: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89052449596?pwd=NFVtMlljelMwM0NmdU9wcVdnZ0toZz09 Passcode: 432554

Join via Telephone – 1 778 907 2071. Meeting ID: 890 5244

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Please continue to sing and pray while on Mute.

Coming soon

Please let us know if you have contributions to include in our announcements

Church Reception Hours

St. Andrew's Office Monday 8:30am-4:30pm Wednesday 8:30am-2:30pm

Gladwin's Office Tuesday 8:30am-4:30pm Thursday 9am-12pm

> Reverend Tim 10am-5pm

