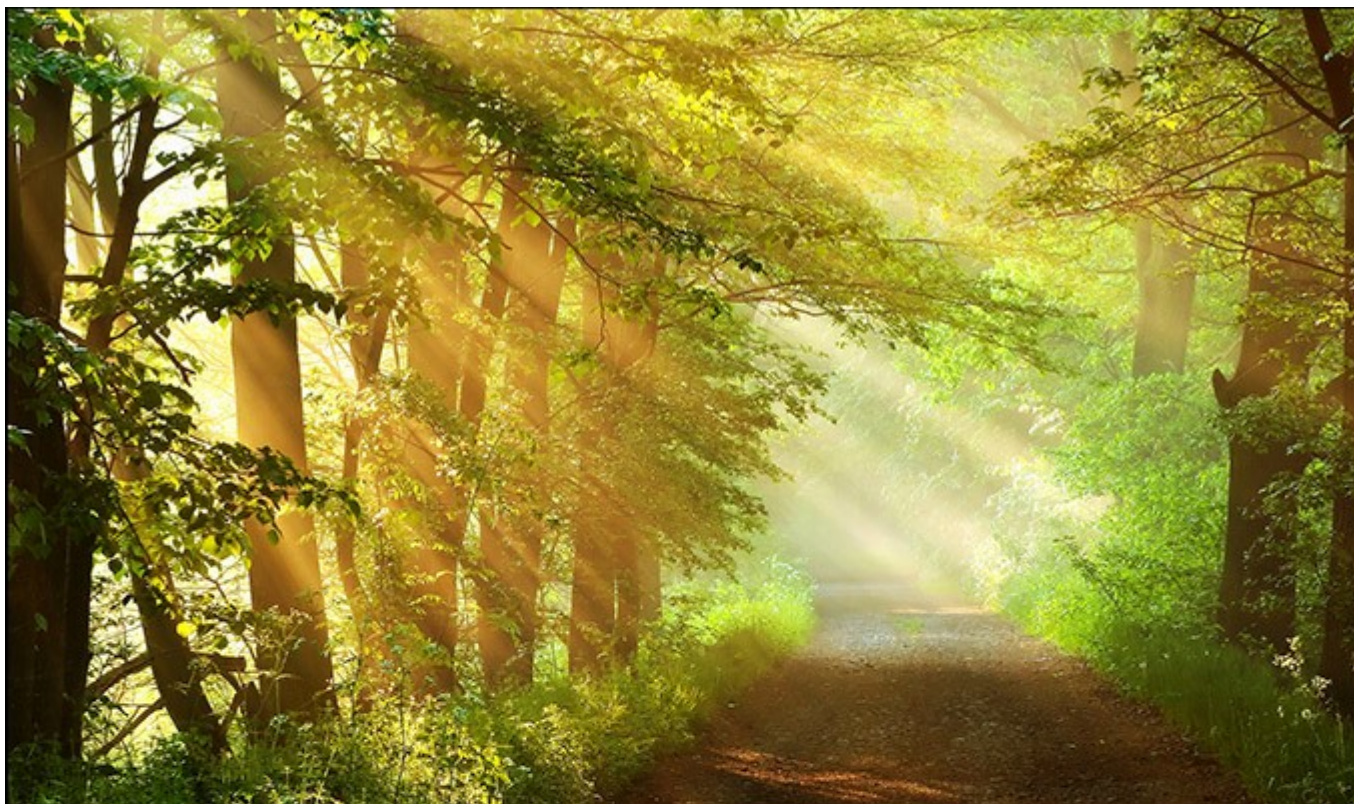


Welcome to *First-St Andrew's* **UNITED CHURCH**

Where liberal theology meets the best of tradition



The coloured bulletin is sponsored today by Joyce Payne, as a blessing to her mother's memory. In honour of Helen Payne's birthday anniversary, we invite everyone to coffee after the service to enjoy lemon squares, Helen's favourite!

Joyce & Michelle

April 8, 2018 **Walking in the Light** **10:30 am**

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Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at revmichelledown@fsaunited.com or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

Bold type indicates congregational response. * indicates to stand, if able.

Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Meditation
Lyric Prelude and Fugue

Louis Vierne
Charles Callahan

Welcome & Announcements

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Lighting the Christ Candle:

Music: All Things Work Together for Good
Joyful Singers

Lynn Shaw Bailey

*All things work together for good to those who love the Lord
And are called by grace to purpose and place while trusting in God's word.
All things, all things, all things work for good.
All things, work for good according to God's word.
All things work together...
It may bring joy. It may bring pain. It may bring sunshine or rain.
No matter what happens, no matter the test, we trust in God to work for
the best.
All things work together...
We are trusting in God's word. God works out all things for good.*

Stewardship Seconds:

As stewards of God's abundance today, what is our reaction to the response of the early church in meeting the needs of all?

Call to Worship:

Joan Bancroft

One: What have we heard with our ears?

All: We have heard the Good News!

One: What have we seen with our eyes?

All: We have seen the Risen Christ!

One: What have we touched with our hands?

All: We have touched the word of life!

One: So to what will you testify?

All: We proclaim that: God is Light. There is no darkness in God.

One: So what will you do?

All: We will walk in the Light!

**We declare to you what we have seen and heard,
so that our Joy may be complete,
and we might have relationship with you O God.**

Opening Prayer and Lords Prayer:

Joan Bancroft

***Hymn:** VU #173 Thine is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABAEUS

Music: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Michael Bedford

Junior Joyfuls



Alleluia! Christ is risen! See, the stone is rolled away!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Spread the news to all this day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He's alive, and we are free!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Tell the people, "Come, and see!"

Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead

Forming Young Faith: Mary & Martha
(Children leave for Sunday School)

Jane Dockrill

Minute for Mission:

Bill & Jean Knowles

Anthem: Open My Eyes

K. Lee Scott

*Open my eyes and I shall see; incline my heart and I shall desire;
Order my steps and I shall walk in the ways of your commandments.*

O God, be my only Lord, and beside you let there be none else,
no other, none else with you.

Teach me to worship you and serve you in all my undertakings
with truth of spirit, with honour of body, with blessings of mouth,
both in public and private.

Open my eyes...

Amen.

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-7

Joan Bancroft

Message: God is Light. Let us Walk in the Light

***Hymn:** VU #166 Joy Comes with the Dawn

DAWN

Offering

Offertory Music: Meditation

Charles Callahan

***Offertory Refrain:** VU# 179 Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks

ALLELUIA NO.1

Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ;
Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Give praise to God's name.

*Prayers of Dedication

***Hymn:** VU #260 God Who Gives to Life its Goodness

ABBOT'S LEIGH

*Blessing and Benediction:

***Benediction Response:** VU#175 This Is the Day That God Has Made EASTER JOY

Refrain: This is the day that God has made!
Rejoice! Rejoice, and be exceeding glad!
This is the day that God has made!
Rejoice! Rejoice! Hallelujah!

Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Jubilation

Douglas E. Wagner

I want to thank all of my First-St. Andrew's family for all of your continued love & support. It means a whole lot to me to be accepted and loved here.

*Love,
Ron Chatterson*

The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Dorothy Cousins, Mary Mattar, Peggy & Bob Watson

Narthex Co-ordinator: Charlotte Oldham

Coffee & Conversation: Ardath Finnbogason-Hill, Kerry Hill, Jane Daichendt

Service Support Staff: Ron Bradley

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.

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