

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**  
**Sunday, August 24, 2025**  
**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**



*Please stand if you are able*



*Available on screen*

**Our Reason for Being**

*As a community of the people of God,  
called by Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit.  
Our purpose is to reach the hearts, minds,  
bodies and souls of individuals,  
thus, bringing the Kingdom of God upon ourselves and others.  
We do this through **worship, nurture and outreach.***

*St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lethbridge, acknowledges that we worship and  
are gathered on the traditional lands of the Blackfoot people of the Canadian Plains;  
thus, paying respect to Blackfoot people past, present and future while recognizing  
and respecting their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationships to the land.*

*St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lethbridge, also offers respect to the Métis and all  
who have lived on this land and made Lethbridge and area their home.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE GATHER**



**HYMN #411 "Stand Up and Bless the Lord"** (Verses 1-4 *please stand if you are able*)



**CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE *remain seated*)**

One: With all our hearts, let us praise God.

**Congregations: With all that we are, we will praise God's holy name!**

One: With all our hearts, let us bless God.

**Congregations: We will never forget how kind God has been.**

One: The Lord forgives our sins, heals our weakness, and gives us life everlasting.

**All: Let us worship God who is merciful and patient, whose love never fails.**

## **PRAYER OF APPROACH**

 **HYMN #631 “Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands”** (*please stand if you are able*)

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, our judge and our hope, we confess we often turn away from your truth, and ignore your call to do justice.**

**Forgive us when we say one thing in worship but do another in the ways we live.**

**Forgive us when we ignore how others are treated and think only of ourselves.**

**Let your judgement awaken us and your mercy refresh us. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Believe the good news of the Gospel. In Christ, God has offered us mercy and love. Receive God’s forgiveness this day and share it with each other for Christ’s sake.



**The peace of Christ be with you. Now, take a moment—look around you—and pass the peace of Christ to one another.**

## **WE LISTEN**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** “Power In the Blood” *by Lewis Jones* – Blois & Friends

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Romans 8:18-27

**Reader:** Paula Degner

## **PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING**

**SERMON:** “When Words Run Out” (Part 1 of 2)

## **WE RESPOND**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*We will conclude our prayers of the people and sing this prayer:*


*Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done  
On earth as in heaven  
Give us today our daily bread  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive  
Those who sin against us  
Save us from the time of trials  
And deliver us from evil  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
Now and forever  
Amen*

## OFFERING TIME

With gratitude for the healing and hope that Jesus offers, let us present our offering to God. May our gifts help to share that healing and hope throughout God's world in Christ's name.

 **HYMN #723 "Lord, In This Broken World"** *(please stand on the last verse)*

## OFFERING PRAYER

  **DOXOLOGY HYMN #553 "May the Lord Bless You"**  
*(Let us stand and face one another)*

## BENEDICTION

## CHORAL AMEN

## POSTLUDE

*\*Large print bulletins, sermons and audio enhancement devices are available in the narthex. If you need help please ask your usher for assistance.*

# The Life and Work of the Church



Worship services will continue to be shown on **Roger's T.V. Sunday at 10:00 a.m. on channel 105.** These same services are also available on the **St. Andrew's Facebook page with a link to YouTube (search for St. Andrew's, Lethbridge).**

Presbyterian Daily Devotionals can be found at [www.presbycan.ca](http://www.presbycan.ca).

**Video-taping is in progress during the Church Service.** Photographs may be also taken from time to time. Thus, your pictures and/or the videotapes may be shared on St. Andrew's website and/or social media platforms. If you would **prefer NOT** to have your images featured, please notify the Convenor of Spiritual Life Team or the Church office.



Busy Bags are quiet activities available in the Narthex for children to pick up and use during worship.



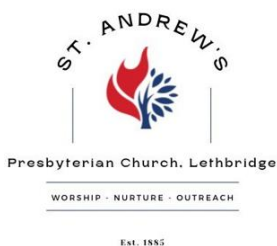
**Dial-A- Ride** - If there is anyone in need of **a ride to church Sunday mornings,** please call the church **by Fridays at 10:00 am.** We have a schedule of volunteer drivers that will be available every Sunday.



**Prayer Wall:** Let us thank God for the abundance of summer; to help us share these blessings with others and to be generous with our time and resources.



**Thank you to** Paula Degner, Bob & Deb Epp, Diane & Blois Flemming, Gary & Gerda Van Voorst for participating in the Ministry of Music today. It is very much appreciated.



**Reminder: The 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events Tickets go on sale today** in the Narthex and during Coffee hour. Payment is due upon receipt of ticket(s). **Cash or cheque** to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, memo line: Anniversary. **The deadline** to purchase tickets is **Sunday, September 28**. **Price of the tickets:** \$30.00 (age 13 and over) - \$15.00 (age 12 and under).



**The M.O.R.E. team is collaborating with Interfaith Food Bank** and are collecting school supplies for the month of August. There will be a table in the sanctuary for the donations and a list of what is required as well. Thank you for helping with this program.



**Choir rehearsals will be resuming on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.** For more information please contact Lavinia Parker: (403) 360-6284



Mark on your calendar: **Saturday, September 27** - Ceilidh (family friendly Scottish event) co-sponsored by the Lethbridge Scottish Country Dance Club and St. Andrew's Session. Stay tuned for more information.



**Save the Date - Elim Society for Seniors Care will be having their annual fundraising dinner in support of another renovation project at Elim Village on Friday, October 24 from 5 to 6.30pm @ The Italian Canadian Club.**

Details to follow but be sure to mark your calendars now. You don't want to miss it!



**August 24 – 31**

**Sunday: 10:30 am  
11:45 am**

**Worship Service  
Coffee**

**Monday 6:00 pm**

**Pickleball**

**Tuesday: 10:00 am**

**Pickleball**

**Thursday: 10:00 am  
7:00 pm**

**Pickleball  
Session**

**Sunday: 10:30 am**

**Worship Service**



**Reminder!**

<b>Date</b>	<b>August 24</b>	<b>August 31</b>	<b>September 7</b>	<b>September 14</b>
<b>Security</b>	<b>Bob</b>	<b>Gary</b>	<b>David</b>	<b>Lawrence</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Team 6 Marilyn</b>	<b>Team 1 Gary</b>	<b>Team 2 Hugh</b>	<b>Team 3 Connie</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Sheila Ferguson</b>	<b>Margaret Groenenboom</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Announcements/ Lay Reader</b>	<b>Paula Degner</b>	<b>Shona Potts</b>	<b>Diane Fleming</b>	<b>Isabelle Plomp</b>
<b>Power Point</b>	<b>David Miller</b>	<b>Dean Degner</b>	<b>Brendon Degner</b>	<b>John Plomp</b>
<b>Audio/ Video</b>	<b>Kim/George Bohner</b>	<b>John Bykowski/ Chase Stankievech</b>	<b>John/Isabelle Plomp</b>	<b>Jim/Paul Deurloo</b>
<b>GIFT</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>Margaret and Shona</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Sunday Driver</b>	<b>Brian Fenz</b>	<b>Lawrence McCune</b>	<b>Donna Trennery</b>	<b>Deb Stankievech</b>
<b>Outside Care</b>	<b>Bob Epp August 25-31</b>	<b>John Plomp September 1-7</b>	<b>David Miller September 8-14</b>	<b>Brian Fenz September 15- 21</b>



## **Hymn #411 Stand Up and Bless the Lord**

- 1. Stand up and bless the Lord;  
God's people now rejoice;  
stand up and bless the Lord your God  
with heart and soul and voice**
- 2. Though, high above all praise  
above all blessing high,  
who would not fear God's holy name,  
and praise and magnify?**
- 3. Oh for the living flame  
from God's own altar brought,  
to touch our lips, our minds inspire,  
and wing to heaven our thought.**
- 4. God is our strength and song;  
now is salvation ours.  
God's love in Christ we now proclaim  
with all our ransomed powers.**

## **Hymn #631 Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands**

- 1. Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,  
healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,  
washing tired feet and saving those who fall;  
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.**
- 2. Take my hands, Lord Jesus, let them work for you;  
make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do;  
let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle too,  
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.**

## **Hymn #723 Lord, In This Broken World**

- 1. Lord, in this broken world where you have placed us,  
open our ears to the voices that call,  
crying for help, for direction, for comfort,  
ease for the pain and relief over all.**
- 2. Open our eyes, O Lord, that you can show us  
how to bring healing and help for their pain.  
Give us the wisdom and strength you have promised;  
speak through your servants, we pray, once again.**
- 3. Open our hearts, O Lord, show your love through us,  
telling of you who alone can restore;  
lifting and healing the broken in spirit,  
offering your peace and a joy evermore.**

## **Hymn #553 May the Lord Bless you**

**May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you;  
May the Lord lift up His face to shine on you. (repeat)**

# Time For the Young At Heart

## Memory Verse Romans 8:18

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