Welcome to Worship in St. Andrew's Church, Lunenburg NS.

Canada's Oldest Presbyterian Congregation

Rev. Suk Ho, "Matthew" Lee – Minister

David Findlay, M. Music – Organist/Choir Director

Rev. Dr. P. A. "Sandy" McDonald - Interim Moderator

Janette Church & Josie Fralick - Greeter

Website: www.standrewslunenburg.ca

11 a.m. August 16th, 2020 - 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Organ Prelude (A Time for Prayer and Reflection) Entrance of Choir and the Minister Welcome, Greetings and Announcements

Chimes Sound the Hour of Worship (All who are able rise as the Bible Is placed)

WE APPROACH GOD

*Call to worship

As summer draws to a close, we begin to focus our attention to the activities of autumn. For some it will mean preparing children for school; for others youth will be preparing to enter college or the work force or perhaps military service.

Be with these precious ones as they embark on life's journeys. Be with each one of us as we encounter life's challenges. Open our hearts to receive your healing mercy and your transforming love. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN.

*Song of praise – "Now is the time" sung by <u>Maddie & Jane Chiasson</u>

Now is the time;

It's the hour to worship:

Come as you are;

Let us praise God's name.

So let us rejoice;

Let us give thanks;

To God in this place.

Let the Spirit in our hearts;

Feel the power of God's grace;

Share the ever-lasting love.

(Please be seated!)

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

God of infinite mercy and love, we come before you this day, knowing that we have not always been faithful to what you would have us do.

We have too often turned our backs on those in need, choosing not to hear their cries.

Forgive us, O Lord. We know that you do not want us to behave in this way. Your love and mercy, so generously showered over us, should be a beacon to guide our own actions. We make no excuses, for none would suffice. We ask your forgiveness and blessing, turning us again around and placing us on the path of compassion and peace. This prayer we offer in Jesus' name. AMEN.

• M:Our Father...... (Using trespasses)...... Amen

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymn No. 65 – All people that on earth do dwell (vv.1-3)

sung by M & J Chiasson

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for God's Guidance

Scripture Lessons: Reader: Ralph Getson

Old Testament: Psalm 67 New Testament: Matthew 15:21-28

R: This is God's word. Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Prayer, Frustration, and Faith"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn No. 334 – God who gives to life its goodness

sung by <u>M & J Chiasson</u>

Prayers of the People

The Offering
Offertory Prayer

music by <u>David Finlay</u>

WE DEPART TO SERVE

Closing Hymn No. 330 – O God, our help in ages past
(Please stand when duets sing the last verse)
sung by M & J Chiasson

*Benediction and Choral Amen!
Organ Postlude
Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!

*those who are able are invited to stand

Upcoming Events/Services

Sunday, September 6, 11 am: Food Bank Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **1 Welcome**: Welcome to this time of worship. We appreciate Madelyn & Jane Chiasson to be our soloist today.
- **2 Lebanon Crisis Donation:** Thousands have been injured and hundreds of thousands of people are living in severely damaged homes after the chemical explosions in Beirut.

Between August 4 and 24, the Government of Canada is matching all donations made to the Humanitarian Coalition and its members, up to \$2 million.

You can give generously through the national church website, www.presbyterian.ca then click "Lebanon Crisis Donations Receive Government Matching Grants."

You can also make a gift through our church by August 23. Please mark your donation "Lebanon Crisis."

- **3 Food Bank Sunday:** Sept. 2nd will be our Food Bank Sunday. Any non-perishable food Items will be appreciated.
- **4 Annual Dessert & Silent Auction:** Our Annual Dessert & Silent Auction is tentatively scheduled on Friday Nov. 20th. Please keep this in mind. Any new or like new items (Preferably New) and gift cards would be appreciated as donations for the Auction.
- **5 Website:** Please check our church website for updates. We add the "Bulletin" section (www.standrewslunenburg.ca).

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