



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 11TH, 2025

St. Andrew's United Church

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***Those who are able, please stand at marked places**

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST COMES AMONG US

Prelude

Words of Welcome

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome to this sacred space.

All: House of prayer for many people; Home to all who come.

Leader: Welcome to this gathering place.

All: Friend and stranger, saint and sinner in all who gather here.

Leader: Come with hope or hesitation, with joy or yearning; all who hunger, all who thirst for life in all its fullness.

All: Generous God and generous Saviour, touch us through your Spirit.

*Lighting of the Christ Candle

**God Lights a Lamp* (lyrics on screen)

***Gathering Hymn:** *In Christ Alone, My Hope is Found*

Prayer of the Day: *(in unison)*

On the day O Lord we ask a special blessing upon all who provide love, care, support and nurturing of those in need. We ask that they receive a special measure of your Spirit. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Gospel Reading: John 10:22-30

***Hymn:** *VU 747 – The Lord's My Shepherd*

Proclamation: "And Jesus is...."

Rev. Scott Brown

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

***Hymn:** *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Offering

***Offering Hymn:** *Give Thanks (lyrics on screen)*

Prayers of the People

On this day we pray especially for those who are caregivers. We pray for mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers and all who fulfill nurturing roles in our lives. Bless them with strength and courage that is needful for each day. Gracious Saviour,

Hear our prayer.

We pray also for all those who are first responders of all kinds. The nurses, doctors, police, fire, ambulance and forest fire fighters. Those who run towards danger and not away from it to aid and assist whomever is in peril. Bless them with ready and willing hearts as they serve us. Gracious Saviour,

Hear our prayer.

We pray also for those who are ill in mind, body and spirit. We take a few moments to name these people before you now. May they know help and comfort in their darkest times of need.

Gracious Saviour,

Hear our prayer.

All these things and whatever else you see that we need supply us from your bountiful mercy. We are bold now to close these prayers with the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray saying:

The Lord's Prayer *(on-screen)*

***Closing Hymn:** *VU 333 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Commissioning

We go now with God before us and behind us to direct us. We go now with Jesus on our left and on our right to sustain and steady us on our paths. We go now with the Spirit above us and below us to sustain us at all times.

Blessing

May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Postlude – Robert Woodbury, Soloist

The St. Andrew's family warmly welcomes all visitors and newcomers! If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us for coffee and snacks after service.

Thank you

Worship Leaders

Pastor Scott Brown – Guest Presider

Vince Anderson – Piano & Organ

Robert Woodbury – Cantor

Technical Support

Eldon Wilson – Live streaming & Sound

Brent Roy – PowerPoint Operation

Patricia Wilson – Order of Service & PowerPoint Design