

Dear St Andrew's Online Members

Please plan to join us for our online gathering on Sunday at 11, celebrating the 6th Sunday of Easter. You will find words to Lynn's hymn selections below.

I hope you have held on to your Mom-Stories to share when we chat on Sunday. Unfortunately, with the increasing use of platforms like ZOOM, disruptions are becoming more frequent. Merna's going to "mute" all but individual speakers to see if we can preserve bandwidth. Let's hope it works!

Many thanks to all who responded to the invitation to tea distributed to our ladies on Mother's Day. Lynn found that lovely script and passed it to me for copying and distribution. So thanks to Lynn and all of you for the warm sense of sisterhood that took our hearts by surprise! What a great way to remember the love that holds us together.

Below you'll find our activities for the week. After that, please look for the hymns.

Love and Blessings to All,

Donna

ST ANDREW'S THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 17th: Tevia's little friend Tyler is 8 today, and a drive-by parade is planned for 2 pm. Ty's house is 71 Malakoff. We're planning to meet at Grace Hall, near the old Balaclava School, and proceed from there.

Tuesday, May 19th. Calling all UCW. Let's get together online at 11 a.m. Please call the person you usually partner with over the phone if you wish to attend.

Thursday, May 28th. Betty and Ed Baker are celebrating their 60th anniversary. A call (631-3864), card (103 Churchill Cres, N5R 1R2) or email (ebbaker@bmts.com) would be lovely! Congratulations, Ed and Betty.

A Note from Merna: St Andrew's is certainly "a city church with country caring." Your financial offerings have been nothing short of phenomenal over the past three and a half months and have kept this little church thriving even though we have not physically gathered together in the same place weekly. Your continued support is appreciated and we are looking forward to the day we will meet again.

Helping our community: Grace Café and Inn out of the Cold (Central United) need help with their good work. Please consider them, when making out your Sunday envelope. God bless!

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, VU #333

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty, to deliver; let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory,

till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

When We See Language MV 49 (a little less familiar, but Lynn will play through first)

When we seek language to praise you, O God, all we can utter seems stale, tame or odd.

Tongue-tied and word-lost, we struggle to find phrases that slight neither heart, soul, nor mind:

Infinite, intimate unbounded friend, cosmic companion who loves without end, nearer than heartbeat, more subtle than breath, keener than insight, and stronger than death.

Steadfastly loving, you gave us your Word, living among us on earth, seen and heard—teacher and healer whose promise came true, dying and rising to make all things new: Infinite, etc.

To be our guardian, supporter and guide, you sent your Spirit to stay by our side—source of community, wellspring of prayer, power to strengthen and courage to dare: Infinite, etc.