

November 12, 2023

“St. Andrew’s Day”

10:00AM



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF BISMARCK, ND

Today we celebrate St. Andrews Day, and American service in which the Scottish origins of the Presbyterian Church are honored. The Kirkin’ O’ the Tartans began in Scotland after August 1746, when Highland chiefs and clan members hid bits of forbidden tartan cloth tucked in their boots, tied around their forearms beneath their shirts, and stuffed into their hats on their way to the “kirk,” or church (more specifically, the Presbyterian Church of Scotland). At a secret cue from the priest during the service, each Highlander touched his bit o’ tartan, and the priest spoke an innocuous blessing, surreptitiously blessing the symbol of each Scotsman’s national pride and family identity.

At the appropriate time in this service, you will be invited to come forward with an item that represents your heritage (even if you are not Scottish) and present it for the blessing.

Prelude “Heart of the Heartland” Peter Ostrushko

Welcome and Announcements

Introit “Celtic Alleluia” O’Carroll/Walker

***Procession** “Highland Cathedral” Lisa McEvers, bagpipes

(The Scottish Procession on St. Andrews Day is traditionally led by the Beadle – a lay official of the church, carrying the Holy Scriptures. Historically, especially in poor churches, the Bible was not only the church’s most important religious item, it was also the most valuable possession the church had. The Beadle was charged with keeping the Bible safe.)

Gathering in God’s Name

***Call to Worship** (responsively) - based on Isaiah 51

L: “Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn; 2 look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him, he was only one man, and I blessed him and made him many.

P: **The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; God will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing.**

L: “Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: Instruction will go out from me; my justice will become a light to the nations. My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations.

P: **Awake, awake, arm of the Lord, clothe yourself with strength! Awake, as in days gone by, as in generations of old. Those the Lord has rescued will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.**

All: Come let us celebrate our history in Christ!

***Opening Hymn** “This Is My Song” (to the tune of Be Still My Soul)
*To the melody of Finlandia

Lyrics: *Lyrics by Lloyd Stone

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.



My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
Oh, hear my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for their land and for mine.

Choral Call to Confession

“Sanctuary”

Thompson/Scruggs

*Lord Prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you.*

Prayer of Confession - 12th Century Scottish Prayer

**Lord, how much juice you can squeeze from a single grape.
How much water you can draw from a single well.
How great a fire you can kindle from a tiny spark.
How great a tree you can grow from a tiny seed.**

**My soul is so dry that by itself it cannot pray;
Yet you can squeeze from it the juice of a thousand prayers.**

**My soul is so parched that by itself it cannot love;
yet you can draw from it boundless love for you and for my neighbor.**

**My soul is so cold that by itself it has no joy;
Yet you can light the fire of heavenly joy within me.**

**My soul is so feeble that by itself it has no faith;
Yet by your power my faith grows to a great height.**

**Thank you for prayer, for love, for joy, for faith;
Let me always be prayerful, loving, joyful, faithful.**

(Time of Silent Confession) Amen

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri and Passing of the Peace of Christ**

Hymnal #579

Young Disciples Message

***Gratitude for the Grace of Giving**

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

Hymnal #592

Proclamation of the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:1-9

Anthem

“Celtic Laud”

Pamela Martin, Craig Courtney

Sermon

“Exiles Scattered”

***Confession of Our Faith - Scots Confession Chapter 1**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.



By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by God's inscrutable providence for such end as God's eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS - "Ashokan Farewell" from "The Civil War"
waltz composed in the style of a Scottish lament by Jay Unger

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Prayer in Old Scots;

Uor fader quhilk beest I Hevin,
Hallowit weird thyne nam.
Cum thyne kinrik.
Be dune thyne wull as is I Hevin,
sua po yerd.
Uor dailie breid gif us thilk day.
And forleit us uor skaiths, as we forleit them quha
skaith us.
And leed us na intill temptatioun.
Butan fre us fra evil.
For the croon is thine ain,
and the Micht
and the glory
For evir and evir
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen

Celtic Hymn

"Amazing Grace"

Hymnal #280 (2 verses)

Responding to God's Word

*Closing Hymn

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

see attached

Sending Forth in God's Name

Scottish Blessing

Be ye our angel unawares
If after Kirk ye bide a wee
There's some would like to speak to ye
If after Kirk ye rise and flee
We' all seem could and still to ye
The one that's in the seat with ye
Is stranger here then ye, maybe
All here have got their fears and cares
Add ye your soul unto our prayers
Be ye our angel unaware



Recession

"Ye Banks and Braes"

Lisa McEvers, bagpipes

THERE IS NO BENEDICTION RESPONSE OR POSTLUDE, SIMPLY RECESS OUT OF THE SANCTUARY,
FOLLOWING THE BAGPIPER. JOIN US IN THE PARLOR FOR A TIME OF REFRESHMENTS.

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:1-9

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, ²who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood: Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Calendar

Monday, November 13 -	5:30pm Worship & Music 5:30pm Suzuki 6:30pm Scouts
Tuesday, November 14 -	11AM Balance & Strength Class 5:30pm CCC Board
Wednesday, November 15 -	5:45pm PAC/Teens 6:30Bells 7:30pm Choir
Thursday, November 16 -	11AM Balance & Strength Class 5:30pm Yoga 7:00pm Deacons
Friday, November 17 -	<i>No Activities Scheduled</i>
Saturday, November 18 -	10AM "Do Justice" Fall Bible Study
Sunday, November 19 -	10:00am Worship Officer Installation
Monday, November 20 -	Noon Resource Management 1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 4:30pm Admin. & Personnel 5:30pm Suzuki 6:30pm Scouts
Wed., Nov. 22 -	7:30pm "Thanksgiving Eve Service"
Thur., Nov. 23 & 24 -	OFFICES CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving!

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OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY OF:

Luella Bowman

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be - hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
 Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus)(A)
 Gm7 B^b Am7 B^b Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

Flowers this week are in memory of:
Ernest, Carol, Jean, & Clint Dykema
A gift from: Jan & Gary Gilchrist



Worship Participants:

Rev. Dr. Leanne Simmons, Pastor
Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir dir.
Arvy Smith, Keyboards
Lisa McEvers, bagpipes
Shari Orser, Lay Reader
Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist
Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry dir.
Lori Lee, Dave Nix, Don Bigwood, Dot Glaser, Damita & Matt Engel ~ Ushers

Boy Scout Troop #6
delivering the Christmas Wreaths
Sunday morning November 19

(they will have extra 24in. wreaths & swags - \$30 each)



The Banquet is looking for 10 volunteers - serving & clean-up

Thanksgiving Dinner

4:00pm - Thursday, November 23

Dream Center - 1805 Park Ave.

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board

CCC Needs List for November
Dawn dish soap & waterproof toddler and pre-K mittens



“Do Justice”

Fall Adult Bible Study

10:00am

Saturdays, November 4th - November 25th

Please join Rusty Bender for discussion

Do Justice



Most humans are born with an innate, general sense of right and wrong. Young children can give a detailed explanation of justice through the eyes of the victim when they feel they have been wronged. In the *Do Justice* unit, we learn that we are not always correct in our assessments, but the desire for fairness in the world around us is deeply held.