

The Feast of Pentecost
May 20, 2018

Prelude	
Hymn # 283	<i>Let every Christian pray</i>
Call to Worship	
Prayer of Approach & Lord's Prayer (# 831)	
Welcome and Greeting	
Responsive Reading	<i>Psalm 104:1-4, 30-35 (refrain #1)</i>
Choir	<i>Come, Holy Ghost, In Love</i> <i>Text: Ray Palmer</i> <i>Music: Alfred Whitehead</i>
Scripture	<i>John 14: 15-17</i> <i>Acts 2:1-4</i> <i>2 Corinthians 3: 4-18</i> <i>Cathy McConnell</i>
Scripture Reader	
Meditation in Song and Drama	<i>"Fierce Fighter"</i> <i>Music: Jason White</i> <i>Text: Friedrich Nietzsche</i> <i>Pam Patel (vocals)</i> <i>James Dowbiggen (piano)</i> <i>Dave Klassen (percussion)</i>
Sermon :	"Servants of a God of Gravity" <i>Rev. Greg Smit-</i>
Prayers	
Hymn # 403	<i>She comes sailing on the wind</i>
Offering Offertory	<i>Come, Holy Spirit</i> <i>Veni Sancte Spiritus</i> <i>Music: Jacques Berthier</i>
Offertory Hymn # 830	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow</i>
Offertory Prayer	
Announcements and Opportunities	
Children's Time	
Hymn # 250 (vs 1,2,3,5)	<i>I danced in the morning</i>
Benediction	
Response	<i>Three-fold Amen.</i>
Postlude	

Welcome to St. Andrew's Church. We are a welcoming and affirming congregation. We are all children of God, regardless of our creed, culture, physical or intellectual ability, gender identity, or sexual orientation. We pray you will feel welcome here and we invite you to join us in Iona Hall for some coffee and conversation following the service.

Thank you to our ushers this morning, Angus Todd, Lynda Todd, Mike Cassidy, Donna Cassidy, Steve Berry, Jacqueline Berry, Bob Wills, Joan Norman, and Dr. William Nurse.

Thank you to our Greeters this morning; Cathy Hoffman, Heather Ingram-Smith and Edna Jean Manarey

Thank you to our Beadle this morning; Glenn Stewart

Thank you to our coffee servers this morning; Mike & Donna Cassidy and Greg & Sandi Henning

Gas and Grocery cards are available for purchase today in Iona Hall or in front of the Chapel. They are also available in the church office during the week. Thank you for your support of this Women's Association program.

Fairtrade products will also be available for purchase in Iona Hall.

Purchases of **Fairtrade products** help to cover the costs of our coffee each Sunday.

Noon Hour Concerts continue this Wednesday, May 23 from 12:15-12:45 with musicians Emily Morse (flute), Lorin Shalanko (piano) and Quade Nielsen (tenor). A light lunch is available in the foyer from 11:30.a.m

Please remember to write the amount of your offering on the givings envelope so that you will receive the proper amount for your income tax purposes.

Envelope number 342. If you are the owner of the givings envelope # 342. Please contact the office to let us know who you are. Thank you.

Our mite donations make a difference in our local community! Fill your mite containers with your loose change or make a one time donation. If you need a label, contact the office to get one for your container or envelope. Make sure to write your name on the label so you can be credited for the donation. Thank you for your support of our local missions!

Rev. Mark is away on a study leave and will be back next Saturday. Please pray that Rev. Mark's time away will be a meaningful time of education and spiritual renewal.

Taxi Scrips – If there is anyone who uses a taxi service to get to and from church please be advised that a generous member has provided taxi scrips for your use. If you would like to enquire about them please check at the main office.

Thank you and congratulations on your generous offerings to the 2018 Easter/Refugee Fundraiser. Offerings to date total \$101,805.92. Of that amount \$20,000.00 will be used for the new refugee sponsorship plan, and \$81,805.92 will be used for the general fund. In the original budget we hoped that this fundraiser would provide \$74,200.00 for the general fund, so it is a wonderful blessing that we have exceeded that amount by nearly \$8,000.00! & have made the new refugee program possible.

Congregational Meeting

The congregation of St. Andrew’s is called to meet immediately following worship on Sunday, June 10, 2018 for the purpose of considering a revised budget for the year 2018.

This meeting is called in response to two motions that were passed at the congregational meeting on February 25, 2018.

First motion –

That the special Budget Committee as established by Session on January 29, 2018 and as constituted by the Clerk of Session, be duly approved and authorized to proceed forthwith to find and implement at least \$45,000 in savings in 2018, with the ultimate goal to find sufficient permanent savings in order that St Andrew’s can Operate within annual Revenues received, without reliance on or use of transfers of monies from the Unrestricted Trust Funds for Operating Expenses or to cover Operating Deficits.

Second Motion –

That the draft 2018 Budget contained in the Annual Report not be approved per the Finance Committee Report, and that the special Session-mandated Budget Committee be authorized to prepare and finalize the 2018 Budget and to bring this forward by the end of April 2018 for Congregational approval as soon as possible thereafter.

Your attendance and participation in this meeting is important; we need to have our revised budget in place.

Ted and Company presents... Discovery: A Comic Lament

Starring Ted Swartz and Michelle Milne, “Discovery” is a play about the doctrine of discovery, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of indigenous peoples. It finds unexpected humor... offering both comic and challenging glimpses into the absurdity of the oppression of indigenous peoples and the land we live on. A show about love and loss of land, “Discovery” nudges us to question our stories with honesty and integrity.

Thursday May 31 at Rockway Mennonite Collegiate, **Friday June 1** at Conrad Grebel College, **Saturday June 2** at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church Cambridge, **Sunday June 3** at Steinmann Mennonite Church Baden

Tickets \$15-10.

Advanced tickets available at: uwaterloo/grebel/discovery

Sunday Smile:

At Pentecost, the early church received the Holy Spirit. Scripture tells us that this took place while the disciples were gathered together in the morning and with a supernatural display of wind and fire.

But what if this happened in the church today... ?

#CrazyJesusFollowers starts trending big time!
Health and Safety officials condemn inadequate risk assessment following reports of fire and wind.

Fake news story, casting doubt on the disciples’ claims that they were not drunk, shows photo-shopped images of disciples in the company of “drunkards and sinners”.

Those who missed **it** complain about the 9:00 am scheduling of the event and the lack of live-streaming for those with other morning commitments.

Some of the disciples form a professional consulting group and ink a multi-media deal for a new subscriber-pay service, “How to add 3,000 people to your Church in just one day!”

Calendar for May 21— May 25,2018

Mon.	Victoria Day	Office Closed
Wed. 12:15 p.m.	Noon Hour Concert	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Cubs	Iona Hall
8:00 p.m.	Young Adults	Youth Room
Thurs: 6:30 p.m.	Youth Group	Youth Room
6:30 p.m.	Kids Club	Temple
6:30 p.m.	Adult Study	Heather Room
7:00 p.m.	Choir	Sanctuary
Fri.	Building Closed	