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Order of Worship

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday
February 8, 2015



A warm welcome in the name of Jesus Christ, and a special welcome to all visitors and friends with us this morning. Our worship of God is enriched by your presence, and we pray that your joy will be strengthened by this time of praise and prayer.

Please join us for refreshments including Fair Trade Coffee and a time of fellowship in St Andrew's Hall after the service and consider signing our visitors' pew cards or guest book by the Princess Street doors. Peggy Sue Reynolds is our certified caregiver for the nursery held just off St Andrew's Hall in the Polson Davis Room. Laura Tyner-Clement is our church school teacher. Children are invited to join in either group or worship as they feel comfortable.

Please ask an usher if you have any questions or require assistance, and feel free to remain seated during any portion of the worship service.

Prelude

Entry of Holy Scriptures

Call to Worship

Hymn O sing a new song to the Lord 63
Prayer of Approach & The Lord's Prayer (inside)

Introit Nobody knows the troubles I've seen
African-American Spiritual
Nobody knows the troubles I've seen, nobody knows but Jesus; nobody knows the troubles I've seen -Glory, Hallelujah!

Greetings & Announcements

Responsive Psalm 96 (inside)

Hymn Lord Jesus, you shall be my song 665

Time with Children

Scripture Readings

John 15:12-17
I Thessalonians 5:12b-22

Anthem O How Amiable are Thy Dwellings Eleanor Daley
O how amiable are Thy dwellings O Lord of hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn Oh for a thousand tongues to sing 374

Sermon Singing Our Faith: "Pray Without Ceasing"

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Basse et Dessus de Trompette
Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings (inside)

Hymn What a friend we have in Jesus 746

Benediction & Congregational Amen

Postlude Choral No. 3 Cesar Franck

If you wish to leave during the Postlude, please do so quietly.

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, forever. Amen

Responsive Psalm 96

O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvellous works among all the peoples.
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.
For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the Lord made the heavens.
Honour and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.**

Worship the Lord in holy splendour;
tremble before him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, 'The Lord is king!
**The world is firmly established; it shall never be
moved. He will judge the peoples with equity.'**

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
**let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it.**

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the Lord; for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.

**He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.**

Scripture Readings

John 15:12-17

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

I Thessalonians 5:12b-22

But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labour among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the faint-hearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Notes from the Director of Music

One of our themes today is about Jesus our friend. When life seems to be treating us badly, we always have Jesus to turn to. This must have been a tremendous comfort to the slaves of the Americas when they learned that they could express their struggles and sorrows to such a friend. The **Introit** is one of the great Spirituals where we can feel the pain of the early African-Americans and share their comfort in Jesus our friend.

The **Anthem** expresses the comfort and joy found in the place of worship where we are better able to talk to the Lord together. The text comes from Psalms 84 and 90 and the music was written by former Kingston resident Eleanor Daley (1955-). I had the great pleasure of working with Eleanor in theatre years ago where I had the greatest respect

for her as a rehearsal pianist and accompanist. She went on to make a name for herself as a composer and church musician and is currently at Fairlawn Avenue United Church in Toronto. "O How Amiable" is dedicated to her own choir, but she has received commissions from all over the world. While at Queen's, she studied with David Cameron and Fred Clarke (whose musical arrangement was featured last week).

Our musical Mediterranean cruise takes us from Spain to the French Riviera where we can soak up the sun in places like Marseilles, Cannes and Nice. It would seem that no organ composers of any fame came from this area, but an important organ performer came from this area. Marie-Madeleine Chevalier (1921 – 1999) was born in Marseilles and spent a good part of her career as a concert organist in the south of France. She studied with Marcel Dupré in Paris and later became his assistant. In 1953 she married another prominent French organist and composer, Maurice Duruflé. The two of them toured extensively as concert organists, sometimes separately and sometimes together. Marie-Madeleine gave her first major recital in 1943 in Cavaillon near Marseilles. One of the pieces she played was "Basse et Dussus du Trompette" by Clérambault (1676–1749) which is today's **Offertory** piece. The edition being used today is one edited and with fingering by her former master, Marcel Dupré. One of her last recitals was in Winnipeg at Westminster Presbyterian Church. At that recital, she played the Choral No.3 by César Franck (1822-1890). This dramatic Romantic piece demands a lot from the swell box and reeds of the organ and at last these have been improved on the organ at St. Andrew's so that this piece can be performed. It is a lengthy piece, so some of it has been omitted to make it a reasonable length for today's **Postlude**.

A Morning Prayer

My God, my Father and my Saviour, since you have chosen to preserve me by your grace through the night just ended and to this day, grant that I may use it entirely in your service and that I may think, say, and do nothing but to please you and to obey your holy will, so all my actions might be to the glory of your name and the strengthening of my neighbours. And just as in this earthly life you cause the sun to shine on the world to give physical light, let your Holy Spirit illumine my mind to guide me in the way of your righteousness. So in everything I do,

let my goal and intention always be to walk reverently and to honour and serve you, relying only on your blessing for my well-being, and undertaking only what is pleasing to you.

Grant also, O Lord, that as I labour for my physical needs and for this present life, I may lift up my soul to that heavenly and blessed life which you have promised to your people ... And since to begin well means little unless one perseveres, I ask you to be my guide not only today but all my life, daily continuing and increasing your grace in me until you have brought me into full union with your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who is the true Sun of our souls, shining day and night forever. Amen

John Calvin (1509-1564)

This Morning...

Flower Ministry

Contributions of flowers on Sunday for our service of worship are welcome. Please contact the office, (613-546-6316) by Wednesday if you wish to provide flowers. If they are in honour/memory of someone please advise the office. If you would like to deliver a floral gift from St. Andrew's to someone who would appreciate it, please see Elaine Coderre following the service. The flowers this morning have been brought by Wendy Worling with gratitude to God.

Mission Exposure Tour Fund

The Elders are inviting us to contribute to this new fund that will assist individuals to visit church partners around the world, and bring back stories of their witness for our encouragement. Already Ada Mallory has been accepted on a March tour to visit the Bhil congregations of the area around Jobat and Amkhut in the Church of North India (including Drs. Datta and Wilson and Pauline Brown). On the 'Other' line of your envelope, mark <Mission Tour Fund>.

Advance Notice...

Tuesday Evening Studies

Our winter series will be held each Tuesday evening of March. Right now vote for which series you would prefer - 'Resurrection' or 'The Apostles' Creed'. Find the sheet on the bulletin board in St. Andrew's Hall.

The King of Instruments in Recital

Saturday, February 14, 3 p.m. Here at St. Andrew's, organized by the Kingston Centre of the Royal Canadian Organists. Free, with donations to the student scholarship fund appreciated. Refreshments will be served.

Ash Wednesday Evening Service

Wednesday, February 18, 7 p.m.
With the congregations of St. Mark's Lutheran, Chalmers and Sydenham Street United, we will gather for a combined service at Princess Street United Church. We begin our journey towards Easter humbly, hearing again 'that we are dust, and to dust we return', so we might place our trust fully in God and God alone.

Katharine Hayhoe

Thursday, February 19, 7 p.m.
Internationally acclaimed atmospheric scientist and committed Christian Katharine Hayhoe is coming to talk about climate change and Christian faith. St. George's Cathedral, tickets \$15 online. A not-to-miss evening.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, March 1, noon - All members and adherents are requested to review reports and financial information to be distributed Sunday, February 22. If any questions or concerns arise, please pass them on before the AGM so they can be dealt with meaningfully.

Attention: CGIT Alumni

A special event is in the planning for Eastern Ontario for International Women's Day, Sunday March 8th. Help is requested in connecting with alumni of the Canadian Girls In Training (CGIT) organization. Sydenham Street United Church, Kingston wishes to honour the 2015 centenary of this influential girls' organization which so greatly influenced thousands of Canadian girls between the ages of 12 and 17. Alumni include the names of many who speak to the continuing influence of the CGIT fourfold purpose to 'Cherish Health, Seek Truth, Know God, and Serve Others' in their lifetime work, including the Honourable Flora MacDonald, Maude Barlow, and our current Premier Kathleen Wynne. Alumni wishing further information are asked to

leave a message at cgiteo@gmail.com or at 613-531-3832.

Mendelssohn's Elijah

Sunday, March 15, 2:30 p.m. at the Isabel Bader Centre, offered by Kingston Symphony. The sermons of preceding Sundays will focus upon scenes of the prophet Elijah. Two dozen members from the congregation have already purchased tickets, join us! Tickets available at The Grand Theatre. Regular tickets \$35, seniors \$30.

Mentoring Vulnerable Youth

Last year St. Andrew's Kingston contributed over \$18,000 to the work of Christ through *Presbyterians Sharing*. One initiative we have supported is Kenora Fellowship Centre as it offers shelter and comfort to vulnerable, disadvantaged and displaced people in downtown Kenora, Ontario. It is the only place in this area offering people refuge from the streets. Its mentorship program offers hands-on experience to young people like Donovan. Youth help with the daily lunch program and take care of the elders, among other tasks. Donovan and others in the mentorship program enjoyed helping establish a vegetable garden, working alongside three elders who helped till and prepare the earth. An Ojibway elder blessed the garden and made suggestions on how to plant according to his teachings. Please pray for KFC as it reaches out to vulnerable youth and young adults through its mentorship program.



Presbyterians Sharing reaches out to vulnerable people

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