

# Sunday September 12, 2021



*Love is the Foundation of the Law. Uncredited internet image.*

## **St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**

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Gathering to serve God & neighbour  
in this community since 1817

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands  
of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

**Preludes** Canon in D Johann Pachelbel  
Fantasia

**Entry of the Bible**

**Call to Worship**

**Metrical Psalm** Through all the changing scenes of life 18  
in trouble and in joy

**Prayer of Approach**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Greetings & Announcements**

**Hymn** Amigos de Christo 476  
we're friends of the Lord

**Scripture Lessons** Exodus 31:12-18 Ben M.  
Responsive Psalm 103:1-12, 17-22  
Ephesians 2: 11-22

**Solo** Hail to the Sabbath day S.G. Bullfinch  
**Sermon** Sabbath 2: "Covenant"

**Hymn** My hope is built on nothing less, 349  
all other ground is sinking sand

**Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication**

**Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow

**Hymn** Standing at the portal 811  
of the opening year

**Benediction and Choral Amen**

**Postlude** Chromatic Fugue Johann Pachelbel

*Please wait for the ushers to indicate the time for your pew to leave,  
starting from the back to the front of the sanctuary.*

## 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.

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. Amen

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Exodus 31:12-18

The Lord said to Moses:

“You yourself are to speak to the Israelites:

‘You shall keep my sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, given in order that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you. Therefore the Israelites shall keep the sabbath, observing the sabbath throughout their generations, as a perpetual covenant. It is a sign for ever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.’”

When God finished speaking with Moses on Mount Sinai, he gave him the two tablets of the covenant, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.

### Psalm 103:1-12, 17-22

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,**

**and forget not all the benefits of the Lord.**

The Lord forgives all your sins

and heals all your infirmities;

redeeming your life from the grave

**and crowning you with mercy and loving-kindness;**

**satisfying you with good things,**

**and renewing your youth like an eagle's.**

The Lord executes righteousness  
and judgement for all who are oppressed.

**O Lord, you made your ways known to Moses  
and your works to the children of Israel.**

You are full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

**You will not always accuse us,  
nor will you keep your anger for ever.**

You have not dealt with us according to our sins,  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

**For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so is your mercy great upon those who fear you.**

As far as the east is from the west,  
so far have you removed our sins from us.

**But your merciful goodness endures for ever on those who  
fear you, and your righteousness on children's children;**

on those who keep the covenant  
and remember the commandments and do them.

**The Lord is enthroned in heaven,  
and has dominion over all.**

Bless the Lord, you angels,  
you mighty ones who do the bidding of God,  
and hearken to the voice of the word of the Lord.

**Bless the Lord, all you hosts,  
you ministers who do the will of God.**

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord,  
in all places of the dominion of the Lord.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul.**

## **Ephesians 2: 11-22**

So then... remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us... So he came and proclaimed peace

to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

## **NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

There was a time when I would play Pachelbel's Canon several times throughout the summer as it was a popular selection for weddings. Sadly, the number of church weddings has diminished considerably over recent years and for many attendees, this was a rare opportunity to hear some good organ music.

Johann Pachelbel composed many fine works other than his famous Canon in D. He was one of the most important composers of the middle Baroque period in Germany. Born in Nuremberg in 1653, he benefited from a good music education from teachers who brought with them influences from the South German School as well as France and Italy. Pachelbel helped to establish an uncomplicated contrapuntal style which he passed on to many, including the Bach family. J.S. Bach was taught by his brother Johann Christoph who was a pupil of Pachelbel.

The Chromatic Fugue was a bit daring at the time, using consecutive semitones in the fugue subject, but Pachelbel created a very successful and satisfying piece of music.

It is difficult to find hymns dealing with the "Sabbath" in today's hymn books. Today's solo is a goldy oldie from an old Methodist hymn book.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Information session**

Today, immediately following the service of worship, we will be offered updates on the shape of worship, use of the church facilities and the Special Meals and Kingston Street Mission programmes during this time of continuing pandemic care.

## **St. Andrew's Fellowship Hour**

Tomorrow, September 13, 2:30 p.m. A casual opportunity to get together with others within the congregation to share daily joys and insights, and just enjoy each other's company. Contact Marilyn for the link, [marilyntrudeau@hotmail.com](mailto:marilyntrudeau@hotmail.com)

## **Singing and Praying Mid-Week**

Twice a month you are invited to a time of songs and prayers in the tradition of the Taizé community, led by Susanne C.J., with singing support by Wendy L-P. The next meeting is on Sept. 22, 7:30-8:00pm. The zoom room will open at 7:25 for gathering in silence.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82464811989>

## **Reception of New Members**

If you have just started attending St. Andrew's, or have been participating for a while ... If you feel this is a people with whom you might grow in Christian faith, community and service, please speak to an elder or Andrew. We will be formally welcoming new members on Sunday September 26, and would love to welcome you!

## **Sunday Morning Scripture Readers**

A new congregational year is beginning. Andrew would like to draw up a schedule of readers for Sunday mornings. If you would be willing to serve in this way, please call or send a note to Lori-Kim.

## **Doors Open Kingston 2021**

St. Andrew's figures prominently on the poster for this year's Doors Open in Kingston <https://www.kingstonmuseums.ca/doors-open-kingston>. Tours of our church will be offered on **Saturday September 25. at 11, 1:30 and 3**, led by the Minister. If you would be willing to welcome folks at the doors and escorting them to a pew, your assistance would be appreciated. Speak to Andrew.

## **St. Andrew's Circle of Prayer**

Members of our congregation are requesting prayers for themselves, their families and neighbours, and for our world. Would you be willing to be part of a circle of prayerful support? Please contact Dorothy to join the Circle of Prayer or with any questions 613-767-2835

[dotmessenger@gmail.com](mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com)

## Faith in the Community

### Season of Creation 2021

The World Council of Churches has designated the weeks between September 1 (World Day of Prayer for Creation) and October 4 (St. Francis of Assisi Day) a 'season of creation'. They have crafted some excellent resources for our reflection and action – have a look!

<https://www.oikoumene.org/events/season-of-creation-2021>

Our local Anglican diocese has organized a series of webinars on the Thursday evenings of September (7:00pm) that focus upon this Season of Creation. The theme of this week's session is: "What is Climate Justice?" with Jeremy Milloy. Visit their site for details:

<https://www.ontario.anglican.ca/events/season-of-creation-speaker-series/2021-09-09> The Zoom link for this Webinar, and all the Season

of Creation Webinars is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87880067710>

Meeting ID: 878 8006 7710

### 2021 Federal Election Resources

To help you prepare for all-candidate meetings and/or personal conversations with prospective Members of Parliament, several Christian initiatives have prepared election resources:

**a) Citizens for Public Justice** is a coalition of Christian individuals based in Ottawa who define public justice as the political dimension of loving your neighbour, caring for creation, and achieving the common good <https://cpj.ca/2021-federal-election/>

**b) KAIROS** is a Canadian ecumenical initiative for social justice of which the Presbyterian Church in Canada is a member [https://www.kairoscanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/KAIROS\\_2021\\_FederalElectionResource\\_FIN\\_AL.pdf](https://www.kairoscanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/KAIROS_2021_FederalElectionResource_FIN_AL.pdf)

**c) Network** is a website by the Christian Reformed churches of North America which seeks to connect Christians on a wide range of social and Biblical justice issues. They have posted a guide to help you prepare questions to ask your local candidates:

<https://network.crcna.org/biblical-justice/front-door-preparing-election-season>

## Gifts of Change 2021-2022

By selecting one of these gifts to support either an initiative within the Church or the community, you are making a difference in the lives of people here and around the world. No matter what you choose to support, you can be sure your funds will be used effectively and efficiently to carry out life-changing programs. "Make a gift in the name of a friend or family member and we'll send them a card acknowledging the donation." See the catalogue at:

<https://presbyterian.ca/gifts-of-change/>

### SERVING THIS MORNING

**Beadle:** Larry M.  
**Cantor:** Paul P.  
**Livestreaming:** Benjamin dO-V.  
**Ushers today:** John S., Susanne C.J., Béatrice J.  
**September 19:** Phyllis and Al H., Dorothy M.

<b>Financial Review to August 31, 2021</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	<b>Received</b>
General Offerings		
and Presbyterians Sharing	\$145, 585	\$159, 021
Special Mission Projects	\$12, 333	\$16,272

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