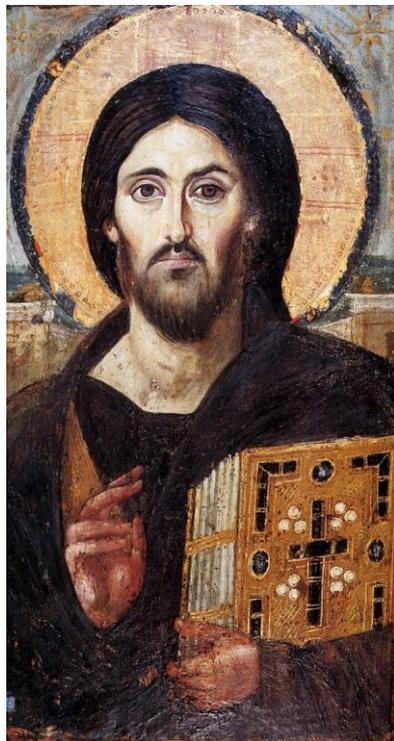


Sunday December 26, 2021



Jesus the Christ: Incarnate and Transcendent

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

Prelude Noël “Les Bourgeoises de Chartres” N. LeBègue

Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship

Hymn Joy to the world (1,2,4) 153
the Lord is come!

Prayer of Approach

The Lord’s Prayer see insert

Greetings & Announcements John H

Anthem In the Bleak Midwinter

Christmas Litany: The Christ Candle Chrystal C

Time with Children

Hymn Good King Wenceslas see insert
looked out on the Feast of Stephen

Scripture Lessons

Luke 2:39-40; Colossians 1:13-20 Andy V

Sermon “Twas the Day After Christmas”

The Rev. Dr. Paul Kern

Hymn It came upon the midnight clear (1,3,4) 148

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication

The Rev. Heather Kern

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow 830

Hymn O little town of Bethlehem (1,2,4) 164

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude Noël “Bon Joseph écoutez-moi” D’Aquin

*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 LESSONS

Luke 2:39-40

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Colossians 1:13-20

He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Revs. Heather and Paul Kern back to St. Andrew's, to lead us in worship this morning ... and allow Andrew to recover from a case of the shingles. The Rev. Heather serves as a chaplain with Correctional Services at the Bath Institution. The Rev. Dr. Paul Kern

has served as a full-time minister for over 25 years; and is currently serving as a prison chaplain at the Collins Bay Institution. Paul was raised on Prince Edward Island, where he attended Zion Presbyterian Church with his family in Charlottetown.

The Giving Tree

Great news! Throughout Advent donations to the Giving Tree amounted to over \$1,500! This amount will be split equally between the two projects we are sponsoring: 'Training Christian Leaders in Malawi' and 'Transforming Lives in Canada' that focuses upon ministries with refugees, and assisting victims of human trafficking and individuals dealing with mental health and addiction issues ... in the name of Christ. Thank you to all who donated – may God's blessings be upon us all.

Pastoral Care

The minister will be away this coming week. Please contact David H, Clerk of Session, with any concerns. We thank the Rev. Nancy H for being on call for matters of urgent pastoral care.

Elders Elect

Acting upon nominations received from the congregation, the Session thanks God that four individuals have accepted a call to serve as Elders of St. Andrew's – Susanne C-J, Lori-Kim d-O, Nancy H, Julielee S. The service on Sunday January 9 will include a special time of ordination and induction

Opportunities Within the Congregation

Food Basket

During this time of a return to online-only services, members are encouraged to consider financial gifts to Partners In Mission food bank, in stead of our weekly preserved food collection. A link can be found on our church website under 'Special Events'.

2022 PCC Calendar

For this year's calendar, entitled "Faith Expressed Through the Arts", the PCC asked for submissions of artwork created by Presbyterians

across Canada. And wow! The calendar displays a beautiful sampling of this art – including contributions from people in this congregation featured in Dec 2021, April and June 2022! Thank you to Anne-Marie for gathering and submitting the photos. We have 1 copy available in the office – 5\$ each. If these copies are snapped up and you would still like one, leave your name at the office as we can order more, in multiples of 10. If you would like to see the great selection of art sent in from across the PCC ... <https://presbyterian.ca/resources/communications-resources/pcc-wall-calendar/#>

Serving within the Congregation

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

Advance Notice

Office Hours

The church office will be closed December 27-31, but calls will be monitored. Regular office hours (Tuesday through Thursday, 9:00-noon) resume on January 4th.

Sunday January 2, 2022

We begin a new year in worship together, online-only, and Andrew will continue a series of sermons on “hymns of the faith” with “How Brightly Beams the Morning Star” evoking a description of Jesus from Revelation 22:16.

We will also be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, so you are invited to prepare bread and cup prior to the live-stream at 10:30 a.m.

Imago Dei

Thursday January 6, 4:30 p.m. Online contemplative reading, prayer and community in Christ. All welcome. For details, contact Dorothy dotmessenger@gmail.com

Beyond St. Andrew's

Overflowing Spring: Empathic Strain and the Faith Community

January 19, 2022 - a 1 ½ hour Virtual Webinar - with the Rev. John Borthwick. Navigating life's priorities AND participating in a faith community - how do we find the right balance? Explore empathic strain and other risk factors that come with caring for others. Rev. John will explain the signs and symptoms of empathic strain and offer key strategies in how to manage its impact. Come away with an expanded toolkit to help you to thrive in your daily life, work, and your faith community. For information and registration, <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/overflowing-spring-empathic-strain-and-the-faith-community-registration-193931403047>

Prayer for the New Year

For all the possibilities ahead in this new year make us thankful, O Lord. Give us wisdom, courage and discernment in the face of so much chaos, despair and fear. Help us to see how, in our circumstances, we can contribute toward peace, faith and love. And give us the will to translate our desires into actions.

John Charles, The Society of Saint Francis

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle:	Larry M
Vocalist:	Christopher, Margaret, Meghan H
Flowers:	Congregational donations
Livestreaming:	Benjamin dO-V, Julilee S

Financial Review to November 30	2021 Total Budget	Received
General Offerings and Presbyterians Sharing	\$235,000	\$219,437
Special Mission Projects	\$18,500	\$24,114
Giving Tree Offerings to Dec. 21		\$1,520

Giving Gifts through Service



For Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church, the practice of gift giving is a year-round commitment. Every day, the congregation provides “gifts” through programs and services to families living on the Mistawasis Plains Cree Reserve in Northern Saskatchewan.

The ministry’s elders also share gifts in less tangible but equally important ways. The congregation is blessed with wise, strong leaders who act as role models for Mistawasis’ youth, helping to provide them with a solid foundation in spirituality and education. Youth programming offers teachings from the medicine wheel as well as instruction in music and Bible study—gifts that will serve the youth well as they grow into the leaders of tomorrow. Mistawasis Memorial PC is supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing.



Presbyterians
Sharing

In 2021, members of St. Andrew’s Kingston have committed to a goal of contributing the sum of \$29,819 to support a witness together through Presbyterians Sharing.

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