

Sunday October 2, 2022



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**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.

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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

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day, he rose again;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hannah prayed and said,
My heart exults in the Lord;
my strength is exalted in my God.

**My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in my victory.**

There is no Holy One like the Lord,
no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.

**Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the Lord is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.**

The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.

**Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.**

The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

The Lord kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

**The Lord makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low, he also exalts.**

He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honour.

**For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
and on them he has set the world.**

He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;

for not by might does one prevail.

**The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered;
the Most High will thunder in heaven.**

The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king,
and exalt the power of his anointed.’

Malachi 3:1-3

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness.

Luke 15:8-10

‘Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’

Solo – It is well with my soul

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! —
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

words: Horatio G. Spafford

music: Philip P. Bliss

Tune: Ville Du Havre

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to you who are worshipping with us this week - in person and online! A special welcome and thank you to the ministry team of Heather and Paul Kern, who are leading worship again this morning, as they have wonderfully done for us so many Sundays during this time of transition. The Reverends Heather and Paul have pastored together for 26 years, and both currently serve as Correctional Chaplains: Paul at Collins Bay, and Heather at Millhaven.

Fellowship Time After Church

We invite all to stay and join in a time of coffee and conversation in St. Andrew's Hall, or on the lawn, following the service.

Sunday School and Nursery

Sunday School begins today! After the “Time with Children”, school aged children are invited to go with Laura for a multi-age Sunday school class upstairs in St. Andrew’s Hall. AND... also starting today, we have qualified Early Childhood Educator, Nitisha, here on Sundays to care for toddlers in the nursery.

Pastoral Care

If anyone needs Pastoral Care during this time of transition, please contact either Nancy Hancock at (h) 613-546-4951 (c) 613-893-3683 or Dorothy Messenger at (h) 613-767-2835 (c) 902-830-0692.

Flowers Sign Up



Thank you to all those who have brought beautiful flowers to adorn our sanctuary so far this year. We would like to encourage others to share in this ministry by signing up in the Autumn season. The flower sign-up list is now posted on the bulletin board in the hall.

Imago Dei

This St. Andrew’s group is meeting Thursday afternoon, Oct.6, at 4:30 by Zoom. If you would like to join in an hour of reflective scripture reading and discussion, please contact Dorothy for more information and a Zoom link. dotmessenger@gmail.com

Presbyterian Connection

The fall edition of the PCC newsletter is now available. There are many great articles, including a feature on Camp Kintail, some great ideas on applying for grants to support ministry, and some challenging articles on the church’s role in reconciliation and social justice. And of course, it is also filled with good news stories and photos from various congregations, about gatherings, outreach and service. Pick up a copy on your way out and perhaps enjoy a quiet Sunday afternoon read.



FALL ACTIVITIES AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday School and Nursery: Sundays after Children's Time

Choir: Thursdays, 7:30, St. Andrew's Hall mjchall@telusplanet.net

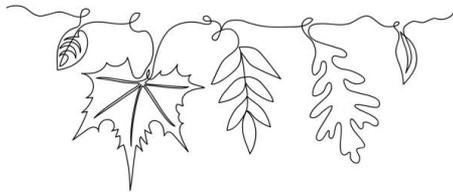
Taizé services: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 7:30, sanctuary
<https://zoom.us/j/82464811989#:~:text=https%3A//us02web.zoom.us/j/82464811989>

Craft and Chat: 3rd Tuesday of each month, 9:30. St. Andrew's Hall

Imago Dei: 1st Thursday of each month, 4:30, by zoom
dotmessenger@gmail.com

Bible Study: last Thursday of each month, 1:30, by zoom,
lorikim@standrewskingston.org

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87142312311?pwd=OUpQbzZwQkNLWXl5TigkYkNpMmJlZz09>



WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE AND REACH OUT

Calling all Bakers

Anyone wishing to drop off homemade baked items (please include the ingredient list) for the Manse residents should call Jane Bailey (Manse Administrator) at 613-766-4432 to arrange a drop-off time.

St. Andrew's website update

Session has decided that an update of our website is in order. Greg Matthews (gregory@standrewskingston.org) and Anne-Marie Gabriani (am.gabriani@gmail.com) are coordinating this and welcome your suggestions of what you feel would add to the appeal of visiting St. Andrew's online or in person and taking part in its activities. Bear in mind that information on the website should not be too lengthy or verbose and should appeal to all. If you have found other church websites with information that you found appealing, let us know.

The Mess Studio Fundraiser

Thursday, October 13 at City Christian Center, 1287 Woodbine Rd. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with a sit down dinner served at 6:30. Come enjoy a homemade pasta dinner and dessert, celebrate the 13th anniversary of The Mess, and hear about what's happening in the studio. Funds raised support this unique initiative that builds healthy community and impacts lives in the Kingston area. Tickets are \$20. Reserve yours by contacting Sandi at: themesskingston@gmail.com or 613-484-3886.

Blessing the Animals

Pets and their humans are invited to attend a special ecumenical "blessing of the animals" this afternoon, Oct 2 at 2:30 p.m. at St. James Anglican Church on Union Street. Bring your furry friends and receive a blessing twofold. A certificate will be presented to you and your beloved pet. A collection will be taken and the proceeds given to a local animal shelter/rescue.

Food Basket

Remembering neighbours in need, we have resumed collecting foodstuffs for distribution through the Partners In Mission food bank. You are invited to bring a contribution on Sunday mornings. Once a month Ed Brash makes a delivery to the food bank.

Circle of Prayer

This team of St. Andrew's members is ready to add their prayers to yours. Please send requests in full confidence to our co-ordinator Dorothy at dotmessenger@gmail.com

Presbyterian College Online Studies, Fall 2022

There are still spaces left in the course - "*Disability and the Church*". This is a 6 week course on Thursday evenings (Oct. 13 – Nov. 17). The cost is \$50. The church has not always welcomed people with physical or intellectual disabilities or valued their gifts and contributions. This study will explore why that has been so, how we can relate to and include those with disabilities, and how this should be understood from a Christian point of view. We all belong together as those who are united in the Body of Christ, and we want to understand what it

means to live as that Body more intentionally and faithfully. Join Dr. Keith Dow to explore how the church should approach the reality of disability, and welcome people with disabilities more fully into our church communities. For more information or to register, click: <https://www.presbyteriancollege.ca/2022/08/08/disabilitystudy/>

St. Andrew's Special Mission Partners

The Missions Committee expresses their gratitude to the congregation for their generosity in donating over \$10,000 so far this year to the missions we support. To help us catch up and reach our goal of \$19,500 by year end, you are invited to add a designated portion of your offerings to support these groups. Just mark 'Mission' on your envelope or send PAR directions to our bookkeeper, Candace (candace@standrewskingston.org). Our 2022 mission partners are:

Local - Camp IAWAH, Momentum Campus Ministries, Habitat for Humanity, Prison Ministries Salvation Army

National - Arise Ministries (sex trade), Flora House (first nations after school programme), Presbyterian College Montreal (theological education)

International - Equipping Leaders in the Middle East, PWS&D, SAT 7 (gospel satellite broadcasting in Arabic)

*Thomas Merton, an American Trappist monk, was also, among other things, a poet and social activist. Below are two quotes from him about the refining fire referenced in the sermon this morning. The first is from his book *New Seeds of Contemplation*. The second begins with 10 lines of a William Blake poem, and then meditates on them for another 14 lines.*

“Therefore, if you spend your life trying to escape from the heat of the fire that is meant to soften and prepare you to become your true self, and if you try to keep your substance from melting in the fire—as if your true identity were to be hard wax—the seal will fall upon you at last and crush you. You will not be able to take your own true name and countenance, and you will be destroyed by the event that was meant to be your fulfillment.”

Prayer

Unless the eye catch fire

The God will not be seen.

Unless the ear catch fire

The God will not be heard.

Unless the tongue catch fire

The God will not be named.

Unless the heart catch fire

The God will not be loved

Unless the mind catch fire

The God will not be known.

Everything that touches you shall burn you.

Do not ask where it will be,

or when it will be,

or how it will be.

On a mountain or in a prison

or in a hospital or at Gethsemane.

It does not matter.

You will not know, until you are in it.

But you shall taste the true solitude of Christ's anguish.

And he shall lead you into high places of his joy and his death.

And find all things in his mercy

which has created for you this end -

that you may become the sibling of God

and learn to know the Christ of the refining fire.

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry
Livestreaming: Benjamin
Flowers: Wendy
Ushers this week: Elders
Ushers Oct. 9: Phyllis and Al

Financial Review to August 31, 2022

General Offerings

Missions

Budgeted

\$153,088

\$13,000

Received

\$143,961

\$10,860

Mission Moment



After Mikabens's first birthday in Haiti, his health began to deteriorate rapidly, showing signs of severe malnutrition. His parents brought him to the hospital, where he was diagnosed with severe acute malnutrition and consequently admitted for therapeutic nutrition treatment. Mikabens has since gained close to two kilograms and will shortly be able to return home. Presbyterian World Service & Development's partnership with Zanmi Lasante (Partners in Health) and Canadian Foodgrains Bank is

helping many young children in Haiti overcome critical malnutrition.



**Presbyterian
World Service
& Development**

In 2022, by offerings designated "Mission", members of St. Andrew's Kingston have a goal to contribute \$5,340 to the work of the church through PWS&D.

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