

**Sunday September 25, 2022**



*Honey Comb. Archana GS photopgraphy.*

**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

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

### Psalm 19 (read responsively)

The heavens declare the glory of God;  
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

**Day after day they pour forth speech;  
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

They have no speech, they use no words;  
no sound is heard from them.

**Yet their voice[b] goes out into all the earth,  
their words to the ends of the world.**

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

**It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,  
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.**

It rises at one end of the heavens  
and makes its circuit to the other;  
nothing is deprived of its warmth.

**The law of the Lord is perfect,  
refreshing the soul.**

The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,  
making wise the simple.

**The precepts of the Lord are right,  
giving joy to the heart.**

The commands of the Lord are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes.

**The fear of the Lord is pure,  
enduring forever.**

The decrees of the Lord are firm,  
and all of them are righteous.

**They are more precious than gold,  
than much pure gold;  
they are sweeter than honey,  
than honey from the honeycomb.**

By them your servant is warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.

**But who can discern their own errors?  
Forgive my hidden faults.**

Keep your servant also from willful sins;  
may they not rule over me.

**Then I will be blameless,  
innocent of great transgression.**

**May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my  
heart  
be pleasing in your sight,  
Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

### **Proverbs 16: 1-4 and 20-27**

The plans of the mind belong to mortals,  
but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.

All one's ways may be pure in one's own eyes,  
but the Lord weighs the spirit.

Commit your work to the Lord,  
and your plans will be established.

The Lord has made everything for its purpose,  
even the wicked for the day of trouble.

Those who are attentive to a matter will prosper,  
and happy are those who trust in the Lord.

The wise of heart is called perceptive,  
and pleasant speech increases persuasiveness.

Wisdom is a fountain of life to one who has it,  
but folly is the punishment of fools.

The mind of the wise makes their speech judicious,  
and adds persuasiveness to their lips.  
Pleasant words are like a honeycomb,  
sweetness to the soul and health to the body.  
Sometimes there is a way that seems to be right,  
but in the end it is the way to death.  
The appetite of workers works for them;  
their hunger urges them on.  
Scoundrels concoct evil,

### **John 1:1-14**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



~Anthem~  
O How Amiable

O how amiable are thy dwellings  
O Lord of hosts,  
My soul hath a desire and longing  
to enter the courts of the Lord.  
My heart and my flesh sing for joy  
to the living God.  
Blessed are they who dwell in thy house  
O Lord, ever singing thy praise.  
Let the favour of  
the Lord our God be upon us,  
And establish thou  
the work of our hands  
upon us,  
From everlasting to everlasting,  
Thou art God.

*From Psalms 84 and 90*

## **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 Julielee Stitt, a member and elder of this church, who is currently a ministry student at the Presbyterian College Montreal

### **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.

## **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.

## **Funeral announcement**

Lois Duffy, wife of the late Rev. William Duffy, passed away peacefully into her Lord's presence on Monday, Sept. 5th. The Burial will take place at the Knox Presbyterian cemetery, Westport, on Saturday, October 1st, at 11 a.m. The service will follow immediately at Knox Presbyterian Church, Westport. There will be a time of visiting and refreshments in the church hall after the Funeral. All are welcome.

## **Flowers Sign Up**



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

## **Presbyterian Connection**

The fall edition of the PCC newsletter is now available. There are many great articles in it this season, 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 of church and perhaps enjoy a quiet Sunday afternoon read.

**IT'S FALL AND THINGS ARE  
STARTING UP AGAIN!!**

## **Choir**

Weekly practices have resumed on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church hall. Contact John Hall for details: [mjchall@telusplanet.net](mailto:mjchall@telusplanet.net)

## **Sunday School**

After 2 years of restrictions, Sunday School is able to meet again – Hallelujah! A multi-age class for school aged children will begin next week, on Oct 2. At St. Andrew's, children usually stay with their families for the first part of the service. After the "Time with Children" they are invited to go with teacher Laura Tyner-Clement, for Sunday school upstairs in St. Andrew's Hall. Thank you Laura, for once again taking on this important ministry.

## **Taizé services**

These special mid-week services, led by Susanne and Wendy on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month, are a time of song and prayer in the tradition of the Taizé community. We meet at 7:30 p.m., in the sanctuary, with a zoom-in option for those who are unable to attend in person. The next service is this week, Sept. 28. All are welcome.

## **Monthly Thursday Bible Study**

Lori-Kim will be leading a study based on The Bible Project – a series of short videos to "help people experience the Bible as a unified story that leads to Jesus", and recommended by Andrew. We meet on the last Thursday of each month, beginning this week, Sept. 29, at 1:30 p.m. We'll start on Zoom, and move to the church when folks are comfortable to do so. The link is below. If you would like it sent directly to your email, please let Lori-Kim know before Thursday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87142312311?pwd=OUpQbzZwQkNLWXI5Ti9kYkNpMmJ1Zz09>

## **Presbyterian College Online Studies, Fall 2022**

Once again, the Presbyterian College, Montréal is offering online studies, open to everyone. This fall, there are 2 such offerings:

### **1) Disability and the Church**

This is a 6 week course on Thursday evenings (7:00-8:30) from October 13 thru November 17. The cost is \$50. Join Dr. Keith Dow to explore how the church should approach the reality of disability, and what we can do to welcome people with disabilities more fully into our church communities. 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 disability 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. For more information or to register, click:

<https://www.presbyteriancollege.ca/2022/08/08/disabilitystudy/>

## **2) Leading Prayer in Worship**

The act of offering public prayer is a unique way of worshipping God and serving a church community. In recent years, lay people have often been called on to lead worship in this way. However, praying in worship can be daunting, especially if we feel underprepared or inexperienced. This study is designed to help non-ordained leaders become better equipped to lead prayer in worship and to give valuable background on prayer and the structure of worship.

The Rev. Dr. Roland De Vries, Principal of The Presbyterian College, will lead participants as they explore various types of prayers, the structure of worship, and how our presence and movements contribute to worship and prayer. This six-week study will require active participation and the completion of weekly assignments, and will be capped at 15 participants.

The course runs on 6 Wednesday evenings (7:00-8:15), from Oct.12 thru Nov.2, and Nov.2 (4 weeks); and then Nov.29 and Dec. 7. For more information, or to register, go to:

<https://www.presbyteriancollege.ca/2022/08/07/praying-in-worship-online-study-fall-2022/>

## **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.gabrini@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.

### **Blessing the Animals**

Pets and their humans are invited to attend a special ecumenical "blessing of the animals" service on Sunday, 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.

### **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 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:themesskingston@gmail.com) or 613-484-3886.

### **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](mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com)



## 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 PAR directions to our bookkeeper. 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)

### **A prayer for community**

All hands together  
to change the world.  
All hands together  
to till the land.  
All hands together  
to pull up weeds.  
All hands together  
to share our joy.

*~Pastoral Team Bambamarca, Peru*

### **SERVING THIS MORNING**

**Beadle:** Larry  
**Livestreaming:** Benjamin  
**Flowers:** Andy, Lori-Kim and Benjamin  
**Ushers this week:** Hélène and Michael  
**Ushers Oct. 2:** Elders

<b>Financial Review to August 31, 2022</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Received</b>
General Offerings	\$153,088	\$143,961
Missions	\$13,000	\$10,860

## Mission Moment – Presbyterians Sharing Sunday



Giving to Presbyterians Sharing means participating in Christ's mission through The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Our gifts bring transformation and hope to vulnerable communities and individuals in Canada. With your help, we:

- equip congregations and leaders through resources and webinars.
  - connect Presbyterians across the country through the *Presbyterian Connection* newspaper.
  - provide free websites for congregations, synods, presbyteries, camps and specialized ministries.
  - equip ministers through our theological colleges.
  - help congregations discern God's call and plan their future through renewal programs.
  - support the PCC's efforts of confession, truth and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples and communities.
  - live God's call to seek justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God.
- And so much more! Together, with Presbyterians across Canada, we are making mission and ministry happen!

*In 2022, through offerings designated "Mission", members of St. Andrew's Kingston have a goal to contribute \$31,849 to the work of the church through Presbyterians Sharing.*

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