

*Serving God and neighbour
in this community
since 1817*

Order of Worship

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday
April 26, 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 Adagio John Stainer
Entry of Holy Scriptures
Call to Worship

Hymn To God be the Glory 350
Prayer of Approach & The Lord's Prayer (inside)
Introit Love Divine John Stainer
*Love Divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth
come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.*

Greetings & Announcements

Responsive Psalm 111 (inside)

Hymn Jesus loves me 373

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Anthem This Joyful Eastertide arr. R. Arnatt
*This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow.
My love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.*

Doxology **Praise God from whom all blessings** (inside)

Hymn Blessed assurance 687

Church School Presentation

"Greatest Gift" Lindsay, Olivia, Bebeta & Gavin
with music "My Saviour, My God" by Aaron Shust.

"Greatest Sacrifice" Lindsay, Gavin & Olivia
A paraphrase of the story of God the Father, and God the Son
from Genesis 1:1 to the end of Matthew 28:20, with a refrain
from John 3:16 and 17.

"Greatest Love" Olivia, Gavin, Kalista, Lindsay & Bebeta
with music "Christ is Risen" by Matt Maher's.

Hymn We have heard a joyful sound 681

Benediction & Congregational Amen

Postlude Fantasia John Stainer

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 111

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the
congregation.**

Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

**Full of honour and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.**

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established for ever and ever,
**to be performed with faithfulness and
uprightness.**

He sent redemption to his people;
**he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.**

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
**all those who practise it have a good
understanding.**

His praise endures forever.

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.

Church School Presentation

I am not skilled to understand
what God has willed
what God has planned.
I only know at his right hand
stands one who is my Saviour ...
My Saviour loves, my Saviour lives,
My Saviour's always there for me
My God, he was my God, he is
my God is always gonna be.
(extract from *My Saviour My God* by Aaron Shust)

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send
the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in
order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3: 16-17

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death.
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave.
Christ is risen from the dead,
We are one with him again.

(extract from *Christ is Risen* by Matt Maher)

Notes from the Director of Music

The music of Easter continues with the **Anthem** "This Joyful Eastertide". It is interesting to trace the spread of its popularity. First of all, we can thank the Dutch for the origin of this happy carol. It was first published in Amsterdam in *David's Psalmen* of 1685 and the tune accompanied the words "How groot die Vreuchten zijh". The tune thus acquired the name "Vreuchten", as we see in Hymn #259. In England, George Woodward (1848-1934) made a translation in 1894 and the 4-part harmony was established later by Charles Wood. The carol first appeared in Canada in the United Church hymn book of 1930, and today is slowly gaining popularity in the United States. American organist Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930) made the arrangement which the choir sings today.

My very first organ lessons were with a dear Englishman named Eric Dowling, who had me purchase a copy of "The Organ" by John Stainer. From this book I learned pedal technique and the kind of fingering necessary for proper playing of the organ. I only had a few lessons with Mr. Dowling

who was not well at the time, and then I spent the next year studying with a very different kind of teacher, who had taught at the Paris Conservatoire. Before one of my first lessons with him, I was warming up by playing some exercises by John Stainer on the local church organ, when this new organ teacher came into the church. Upon hearing me play music by Stainer, he shouted from the back of the church, going into a strong condemnation of Stainer's music and warned me never to play from that book again. Well I'm sorry Mr. Sanderson, but today I am playing two pieces from that book for the **Prelude** and **Postlude**. The reaction of my rather opinionated organ teacher to the music of John Stainer is typical of many. Stainer's music was far too old fashioned and sentimental for most musicians of the 1960's and 70's. But like Sir Arthur Sullivan, who admired him greatly, Stainer (1840-1901) was very much a man of his time. It was Victorian England and he wrote music to appeal to the singers and church congregations of that era. Even Stainer himself admitted that his music was for his time and didn't expect it to endure. However, much of his music does endure. It endures because it is well crafted and comes from the heart. His most famous work, the cantata "The Crucifixion", is still popular today. We can still find his tunes in most hymn books (#208, #698). For today's **Introit**, the choir is singing Hymn #371 to a tune by Stainer no longer found in today's hymn books. He wrote this tune especially for the words by Charles Wesley. The very popular tune Hyfrydol eventually was linked up with this hymn and Stainer's much more sentimental and prayerful tune "Love Divine" has unfortunately been left by the wayside. We owe him a lot, not just for his beautiful church music but for his work as a musicologist in reviving interest in Renaissance music and for reviving the popularity of Christmas carols. I strongly feel that sentimental music such as his, still has its place today.

Prayers

Hail, hail, hail,
Death, resurrection, and return,
May happiness come!
Lord, you are resurrection and life.

You, crucifixion, are here!
You, resurrection, are here!
You, ascension, are here!

You, spirit-medicine of life, are here!
Prayer from Africa

Father we praise you
For your miracle of love
By which you used the death of Jesus on the cross
to set us free.
The place of defeat
has become the place of victory;
in the humiliation of one man
we are confronted by your glory;
where life has lost
we find eternal life.

Alan Gaunt

God, we believe that you have called us together to broaden our experience of You and of each other. We believe that we have been called to help in healing the many wounds of society and in reconciling people to each other and to You. Help us, as individuals and together, to work, in love, for peace, and never to lose heart. We commit ourselves to each other - in joy and sorrow. We commit ourselves to all who share in the work of reconciliation - to support and stand by them. We commit ourselves to You - as our guide and friend.

The Corrymeela Community

This Morning...

Be sure to have a look at the enclosed attachment from the Mission Committee. On the front are the missions we support and on the back are the Presbyterian World Service & Development.

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. Words for the bulletin would be welcome if they are in gratitude or memory. 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.

Church Tour

After the service today, Kalista is offering a tour of the church nooks and crannies to all who are interested ... from the beautiful stained glass of the chapel to the bedrock on which the original sanctuary was built.

A Heart For Reconciliation

'All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation' (2 Corinthians 5:18). The national Truth and Reconciliation Commission's closing event will be held June 1-3, 2015 in Ottawa. Church groups across Canada are being invited by KAIROS to make Hearts for Reconciliation, to be 'planted' by local school children on the grounds of Rideau Hall, the residence of the Governor General of Canada. We are being invited to embrace our native brothers and sisters who were residential school students and acknowledge that what we offered may have been with the best of intentions but has brought hurt and harm, personal and generational, cultural and indeed spiritual. This is just a gesture, but it is a beginning. There are paper patterns available in St. Andrew's Hall this morning available for our creative energies and prayerful attention. To take up the work of reconciliation is not easy for us as Christians, but then it was not for Christ either. And it is, we believe, the way of life.

Presbyterian Record

A special group subscription to this excellent monthly journal, delivered directly to your home, is available (\$28.29 inclusive of HST instead of \$39.49) - sign up today in St. Andrew's Hall.

Canada's Military Mission in Iraq

The Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada has signed a letter with over two dozen other religious leaders questioning the morality and efficacy of Canada's planned military mission in Iraq. Several paper copies are available in St. Andrew's Hall. A link can be found on the opening page of www.presbyterian.ca

Advance Notice...

A Listening Time - Saturday May 2, 2-4 p.m.
At the beginning of June, the 141st General Assembly will receive several overtures from presbyteries asking it to consider extending full inclusion to individuals who are homosexual, including ordination to the Ministry. The elders of St. Andrew's invite you to a time to listen to two different perspectives. St. Andrew's Hall. Our two outstanding presenters will be The Rev. Dr. Kevin Livingstone, Associate Professor of Tyndale University Toronto and The Rev. Hugh Donnelly of Guildwood Presbyterian Church Toronto.

Sunday Evening Special Meals

Sunday, May 3: St. Andrew's Team#1 prepares a meal for a hall full of neighbours this evening. If you would like to lend a hand, please speak to Larry Moore.

Grounds Clean Up Morning

Saturday - May 9, 9:30-noon

Come with a rake, shovel, broom or clippers and join a crew that will gather to give the St. Andrew's grounds a spring clean. Please let Janet Payne know you are coming, so tasks can be co-ordinated.

Also...

Did you know?

Every Friday the minister posts a short paragraph on the church's website, providing some thoughts about the forthcoming sermon, along with some art and an online advance copy of the Sunday morning Order of Service (www.standrewskingston.org) If you would like to receive this weekly posting automatically, just add your address in the box 'Subscribe by email'. This website is very much a work in progress, so any suggestions or assistance would be welcome!

Walk for Children's Mental Health

You may have seen the signs on the church lawn - this sponsored walk will be starting from St. Andrew's Sunday, May 3 at 10 a.m. See more information on the bulletin board about the work of this group, and how to support.

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