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Order of Worship

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday August 30, 2015



The Catacomb of Domitilla, Rome

We beg you, Lord,
to be our help and our support.
Free us from our troubles; take pity on the
lowly; raise up those who have fallen;
give help to the poor, health to the sick,
and bring home those who have
wandered away. Feed the hungry, ransom
captives, give strength to the weak
and courage to the faint-hearted.
Let all peoples come to know that you
alone are God, that Jesus Christ is your
child, and that we are your people and the
sheep of your flock.
(1 Clement c. 96 A.D.)

A warm welcome in the name of Jesus
Christ. and a special welcome to all visitors and
friends with us this morning. 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.

Our Church School resumes in September,
but younger children may remain with Peggy Sue
Reynolds our certified caregiver
in the nursery held just off St Andrew's Hall.

Prelude Pastorale in E Major C. Franck
Entry of Holy Scriptures
Call to Worship

Hymn All people that on earth do dwell 65
sing to the Lord with joyful voice

Prayer of Approach & The Lord's Prayer (inside)
Greetings & Announcements

Living Faith Jesus is Saviour, Jesus is Lord (p.11) Living Faith
Hymn Seek ye first the kingdom of God 625

Time for Children

Scripture Readings Kim Sutherland Mills

Isaiah 40:9-11

Hebrews 13:1-8, 20-21

Duet Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Andrew Fraser and Helen Lowe arr. H. DeCou

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; 382
wean it from earth; through all its pulses move.

Sermon Prayers for Summer (4):
1 Clement, about 96 A.D.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist D. Buxtehude

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings (inside)

Hymn My shepherd is the King of love 691
whose goodness fails me never

Benediction & Congregational Amen

Postlude Prelude and Fugue in G Major (BWV 557) J.S. Bach

If you wish to leave during the Postlude, please do so quietly.

Serving as ushers this morning are
Joan Barr-Knox, Elaine and Pat Coderre, Ben Morrison

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

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 40:9-11

⁹ Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'
¹⁰ See, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
¹¹ He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Hebrews 13:1-8, 20-21

¹³ Let mutual love continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled ... ⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' ⁶ So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?'
⁷ Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their

way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever ...

²⁰ Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

Music Notes

This morning we welcome back to the organ Andrew Fraser. Andrew is a student in the Faculty of Education at Queen's University. He has completed a bachelor degree in chemistry and math, and is currently finishing a doctoral degree in chemistry, also at Queen's. Andrew has studied organ with David Cameron and theory with Michael Capon. He is a member of the Kingston Centre of the Royal Canadian College of Organists and holds the Colleague Diploma. Andrew is serving as Organ Scholar at St. George's Anglican Church and has served as choirmaster and organist at Bay Park Baptist Church, Kingston. As well, he is the pianist at the Breadalbane Baptist Church, Dalkeith, and sings with the Melos Choir, Kingston. Andrew has provided the following notes ...

The music today will touch on the imagery of the shepherd and his sheep.

The **Prelude** was written by the French organist, César Franck (1822-1890). Franck was the titular organist of St-Clotilde in Paris, and was the first to preside over the church's famous Aristide Cavaillé-Coll organ. The Pastorale features three sections in an ABA format. The opening theme has an antiphonal effect: a statement on the Swell oboe that invokes the image of a shepherd, followed by a response on the Great and Choir flutes that is more bovine in character. In the middle section, a move to the minor key and louder reed stops lends a tense and anxious feeling that gradually builds intensity.

Here, we are also treated to a short fugue, after which the tension reaches its height and then relaxes (the storm or trouble has passed). We now return to the opening theme, with one alteration. We no longer have two distinct statements: they are cleverly superimposed.

The **Special Music** today will continue the theme of sheep and shepherd in a piano and organ duet on 'Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us,' arranged by Harold DeCou (1932-2008), with Helen Lowe at the piano. The tune was written by William Bradbury, specifically for the text of this hymn.

The **Offertory**, a chorale prelude by Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707), is based on the German hymn, 'We now implore God the Holy Ghost,' by Martin Luther. The original hymn tune is presented in a decorated form on a solo voice, with new material in the accompaniment.

'We now implore God the Holy Ghost
For the true faith, which we need the most,
That in our last moments He may befriend us
And, as homeward we journey, attend us.
Lord, have mercy!'

The **Postlude** is from the Eight Short Preludes and Fugues, a collection formerly attributed to J.S. Bach (1865-1750), but now thought to have been composed by one of his students. It is also possible that the intended instrument for these pieces was the pedal clavichord, not the organ. The 5-bar opening statement of the prelude begins *Grave*, then moves to a quicker *Allegro* tempo. The fugue is in four voices: the subject appears first in the Tenor, second in the Alto, third in the Soprano, and finally in the Bass (pedal).

Reflections upon Prayer

If you love God you cannot be at a loss for something to say to him, something for your heart to pour out before him, which his grace has already put there.

Matthew Henry

Do not let us fail one another in interest, care and practical help; but supremely we must not fail one another in prayer

Michael Baughen

You can do more than pray, after you have prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until you have prayed.

John Bunyan

Announcements

It is with regret that we bid 'a-dieu' to James and Sandra Muth this morning. James has been reassigned from Instructor at Fort Frontenac to DND headquarters in Ottawa. James and Sandra joined us as members almost two years ago and without hesitation James answered the call to serve as a Trustee of St. Andrew's, and indeed Convener. We with you both blessings, and pray another congregation will know your support as fully as have we.

Queen's Orientation. Friday September 11, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. St. Andrew's will be participating in the great outdoor orientation day along University Street that will have up to 10,000 students walk by. If you would be willing to assist in staffing the church table for a two hour shift, please speak to Andrew. Have a look at the new display in St. Andrew's Hall, created by our summer tour guides, Annie and Chloe.

Princess Street Promenade. On Saturday, September 19th from 11:00 am to 3:00 p.m., the sanctuary will be open to passers-by, hosted by Wendy Worling and Eva Barnes. Help with welcoming visitors at the door would be much appreciated. If you can assist for an hour, please sign the bulletin board list in St. Andrew's Hall or contact eva_barnes@sympatico.ca (613) 546-4300

Questions for Candidates in the Federal Election.

Two resources are available that might assist Christians in discerning their participation in this autumn's election. Both packets are available online, and sample paper copies can be found in St. Andrew's Hall. One is provided by the Canadian Council of Churches, sharing questions posed by various Canadian Christian coalitions: https://www.councilofchurches.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/CCC_FederalElectionResource_FINAL_WEB_REV.pdf

Another is provided by Citizens for Public Justice, a non-denominational Christian social justice research and advocacy organization based in Ottawa: <http://www.cpj.ca/sites/default/files/docs/files/2015ElectionBulletin.pdf>

Congregations of the Presbyterian Church in Canada are requested to contribute 10% of their total revenue to the work of the larger church through Presbyterians Sharing. At St. Andrew's Kingston we have committed the sum of at least \$20,000 in 2015. Through this offering we participate in the ministry of Christ through theological colleges, rural and urban missions across Canada, mission personnel around the world, and much more. The work we support includes ...



Seeing faith in action

Mission trips engage participants in meaningful mission as they meet our international and Canadian partners and learn about work that is supported by *Presbyterians Sharing* and Presbyterian World Service and Development. Murray MacCausland recently accompanied young adults to Eastern Europe as an adult advisor. He shares, "We often read about "faith in action" but don't always see it. It was a real eye-opener to see how central faith and the church were in the communities we visited on our trip. What we witnessed through David Pandey's Presbyterian Church in Canada - supported ministry is the real kind of faith in action. From a new school for young Roma children to an orphanage for young girls, the work that our partners in Ukraine are doing is really an example of practicing Christianity as well as preaching."

-Presbyterians Sharing engages people in mission



If you're scared, go to Stew's

Presbyterians Sharing supports Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry as it reaches out to homeless people through counselling, a clothing bank, a weekly worship service and a drop-in centre where people can come for food, coffee, a visit and sometimes a prayer and a hug. Program Manager Dylon Nipp shares, "Trust is a huge thing around here, and these people will not open up to you if they don't trust you or know you by name." Dylon describes the drop-in centre as a house of comfort, where people know they will be safe. He has even heard people on the street say, "If you're scared, go to Stew's. They'll protect anyone." The Rev. Stewart Folster adds, "Pray for us. When you think of us, think about John 21:17, where Jesus says, 'Feed my sheep.' Our vision is to feed the people more than food."

-Presbyterians Sharing reaches out to the homeless

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