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in this community
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**WELCOME TO
ST. ANDREW'S
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

October 2, 2016



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

Ashley Reynolds is our certified caregiver for the nursery held just off St. Andrew's Hall in the Polson Davis Room. Infants and children aged three and under are welcome.

Laura Tyner-Clement is our church school teacher, whom children are welcome to join immediately after the 'Time for Children' during the service.

Please ask one of the ushers for any additional information.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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(Use the Clergy St. door, next to the cannon)

Director of Music – John Hall

Minister – The Rev. Andrew Johnston

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Order of Worship

Prelude Blessed Jesu, at Thy word J.S. Bach
Liebster Jesu, wir Sind Heir J.C. Walther

Entry of Holy Scriptures

Call to Worship

Hymn Ye gates, lift up your heads on high #13

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

Introit God, who made the earth Carey Bonner
*God who made the grass, the flower, the fruit, the tree,
the day and night to pass, careth for me. God who made all
things, on earth, in air, in sea, who changing seasons brings,
careth for me.*

Greetings & Announcements

Hymn Lead me Jesus; I will follow (sung three times) #646

Time with Children

Scripture Readings

Psalm 22:27-31 (responsive)

Acts 8:26-40

Anthem The Beatitudes V. Kalinnikoff
*O Lord remember us when Thou comest into Thy Kingdom.
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of
Heaven. Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be
comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the
earth.*

Sermon Acts 4) 'And he went on his way rejoicing' (Acts 8:39)

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Liebster Jesu, wir Sind Heir J.S. Bach

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow (inside)

Hymn Break now the bread of life #507

The Apostles' Creed (inside)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Bread & Wine

Hymn Now let us from this table rise #556

Benediction & Choral Congregational Amen

Postlude Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux L.-N. Clérambault

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

Scripture Readings

Psalm 22 (selected verses)

All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord;
**and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.**

For dominion belongs to the Lord
who rules over the nations.

**All who sleep in the earth
shall bow down to the Lord;**
all who go down to the dust,
shall bow before the Lord;
and I shall live for God.

**Posterity shall serve the Lord;
future generations will be told about the Lord,
and proclaim deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that God has done it.**

Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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.

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 a third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he 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.

Notes from the Director of Music

We are into a new season. The leaves are just beginning to change colour on some of the trees and the days and nights are cooler, thankfully. The **Introit** is from a God-in-nature hymn (#705) and reassures us that amidst the wonders of creation and changing seasons, God still cares for us.

Music in the Russian Orthodox Church has had its own interesting evolution. Like the early Presbyterian Church, no instruments were used for accompaniment of singing. Through the 19th century there was a heavy influence from Italian music and thus harmony, though rather basic, developed from the early chants. Vassili Sergeievich Kalinnikov (1866-1901) had a rather short life but managed to compose a couple of symphonies and several works for the church. The **Anthem** is his setting of *The Beatitudes* which are found in Matthew V 3-12. The sound, with low bass drones and simple harmony, is distinctively Russian.

The frequent use of the word “blessed” in the anthem, brought to mind a beautiful German chorale *Liebster Jesu, wir Sind Hier* or, using Catherine Winkworth’s translation, *Blessed Jesu, at Thy word* (see hymn #416). J.S. Bach composed a few different arrangements of this melody. One harmonization by Bach is heard as the first **Prelude**, followed by an arrangement with three variations by a relative of Bach, Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748). A third arrangement is heard during the **Offertory**. It is a beautifully ornamented version as only Johann Sebastian could do.

The service ends with a *Dialogue* by French composer Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749) who lived around the same time as J.S. Bach, but his music is very different. In 1703, Gaspard Corrette described the *Dialogue*: it “is played very boldly, with a variety of moods ranging from gaiety to solemnity”. As is often the case with French music, the **Postlude** uses a nice variety of stops and the piece ends boldly using the full resources of the organ.

Ushers

This morning – The Elders of St. Andrew’s Church

Next Sunday – Bob Hessel, Holly Turnbull,
Rory Warnock, Cheng Shyu

Prayer

O God, our prayer as a congregation is a simple one. We ask that on this World Communion Sunday we

focus our faith on the Christ whose sovereignty is expressed through the hospitality found at table. Draw us toward you in quiet, steadfast ways. In remembering you, we sense the opportunity to serve others. In recognizing your presence, we come to know ourselves. God of healing and hopefulness, of grace and goodness, hear our prayer offered in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Glen E. Rainsley

Today

Special welcome to visitors this morning. Please stay for a glass of tea, coffee, or lemonade in St. Andrew's Hall after the service, and allow us an opportunity to introduce ourselves.

Living in God’s Mission Today

You will find enclosed another extract from this report of the Committee on Church Doctrine that has been commended to congregations to study. Each week another section or two is copied. The extracts of previous weeks are available in St. Andrew’s Hall. After the service on Sunday October 30, the Minister invites you to linger, hear a brief overview of the whole, and have the opportunity to share thoughts that helped or challenged you – please sign up, so sufficient sandwiches can be made.

This Week

St. Andrew’s Choir

Do you enjoy singing? Our choir meets Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. For more information, contact John at johnhall@canadianpianos.ca

Deepening Our Spiritual Life

Do you have a desire to draw closer to God? Others have felt this way and have come together from various churches in groups across Canada (www.imagodeicommunity.ca). A new Imago Dei group is being begun in Kingston by one of our St. Andrew’s own members. It is an opportunity to journey further through contemplative prayer and community in Christ. Come and hear more about this possibility at an information evening Tuesday October 4. Contact Dorothy Messenger at dotmessenger@gmail.com

Advance Notice

October Chapel Services

The Minister will be conducting services at Rideaucrest on Sunday October 9 1:15 and 2 p.m., and

at The Royale on Tuesday October 11, 11 a.m. If you would like to accompany to provide a chorus or greet the residents, you would be welcome!

The Sound of Bells

Special training sessions for tower bell ringers will be held Saturday October 15 at 4:00 pm and Saturday October 22 at 4:00 pm. Come out to one session or both.

Handbell practice will resume Wednesday October 19 at 7:30 pm. New handbell ringers are needed so come out and give it a try.

Queen's 175th Anniversary Service of Thanksgiving

On Sunday October 16, Homecoming Weekend, we will gather to give God thanks for Queen's University. From origins in the sanctuary of St. Andrew's and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, to the lively and diverse community of learning and research today, there is much for which to be grateful. A special welcome to the whole Queen's community!

Gratitude for Goodies

Ellen Leach: I would like to extend a great big THANK YOU to all who have contributed to the wonderful treats we enjoy at the Fellowship time on Sunday mornings. Please keep them coming. What we don't use is either put in the freezer for another time or left for Special Meals.

On October 16 we are anticipating having a larger congregation because of the Queen's 175 Anniversary and Home Coming Weekend. So if you are able to bring a little extra of your home baked treats, please let me know. We appreciate you.

Congregational Luncheon

Please note, the October potluck luncheon will be held after the service on Sunday, October 23rd.

Photodirectory

We are planning to undertake a new photo directory for our 200th anniversary celebrations. Please make a point of stopping in either before or after the service on Sundays, October 23, 30 or November 6. And thanks to Changuk and Greg for coordinating!

Also...

Elders' Districts

The Session of St. Andrew's has been working to take up again the pastoral care of the congregation.

Last year most households were contacted (still a few to go!) and asked whether they would like to have a personal contact with the congregation through a continuing relationship with an elder. 'Districts' have now been formed on a geographic basis, with approximately fourteen households allocated to each visiting elder. A list of these districts can be found posted in St. Andrew's Hall. Between now and Easter, your elder will be calling to arrange a visit! There are a significant number of names that are on another list in the responsibility of the Pastoral Care Team.

Flowers

Flowers that beautify worship on Sunday morning are distributed after the service to people who may need encouragement or are celebrating milestones. If you wish to donate or deliver flowers or know of a particular need on a given Sunday, please contact Wendy Worling or Elaine Coderre.



Presbyterian World Service and Development: October 5 is World Teachers' Day

In addition to raising awareness about the importance of education for children, Presbyterian World Service & Development's girls education project in Afghanistan supports training for teachers. Workshops run by local partners help teachers improve the quality of learning for students and build lessons that help girls gain confidence and learn about their rights. *As the congregation of St. Andrew's, we support PWS&D and peace in this world through our Sunday offerings designated 'mission'.*

Financial Offerings Update

	Budgeted	Received
September 25, 2016	\$4,593	\$3,265
Year to Date	\$167,417	\$146,161