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Order of Worship

WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 30, 2016



Ecclesia reformata semper reformanda:
"the church: reformed and always reforming".

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 after the service for refreshments in St Andrew's Hall. 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.

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Office Hours – 9:00 am to noon. Mon-Thurs.
(Use the Clergy St. door, next to the cannon)
Director of Music – John Hall
Minister – The Rev. Andrew Johnston
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Preludes Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott arr. J.S. Bach
Have mercy on me, O Lord God Johann Hanff

Silent Meditation

Entry of Holy Scriptures

Call to Worship

Hymn God is our refuge and our strength #30

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

Introit Lord, keep us steadfast Martin Luther
Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word; Curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your Son and bring to nought all he has done.

Greetings & Announcements

Responsive Reading 'The Bible' from *Living Faith* 5.1 (p. 14)

Hymn Word of God, across the ages #497

Time with Children

Scripture Reading Acts 10:1-29 Barb & Al Zabel

Anthem Sent forth by God's blessing Omer Westendorf
Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing the people of God from his dwelling take leave. The seed of his teaching receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us, his love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer his call.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn I greet thee, who my Redeemer art #678

Sermon 'Peter and Presbyterians: Reformed and Reforming'

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Isaiah in a vision did of old Martin Luther

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow (inside)

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn A mighty fortress is our God #315

Benediction

Choral Congregational Amen

Postlude Choral Prelude on "Ein Feste Burg" Johann Hanff

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 Reading

Acts 10:1-29

In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. He was a devout man who feared God with all his household; he gave alms generously to the people and prayed constantly to God. One afternoon at about three o'clock he had a vision in which he clearly saw an angel of God coming in and saying to him, 'Cornelius.' He stared at him in terror and said, 'What is it, Lord?' He answered, 'Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. Now send men to Joppa for a certain Simon who is called Peter; he is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the seaside.' When the angel who spoke to him had left, he called two of his slaves and a devout soldier from the ranks of those who served him, and after telling them everything, he sent them to Joppa.

About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. He became hungry and wanted something to eat; and while it was being prepared, he fell into a trance. He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. Then he heard a voice saying, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But Peter said, 'By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean.' The voice said to him again, a second time, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.

Now while Peter was greatly puzzled about what to make of the vision that he had seen, suddenly the men sent by Cornelius appeared. They were asking

for Simon's house and were standing by the gate. They called out to ask whether Simon, who was called Peter, was staying there. While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, 'Look, three men are searching for you. Now get up, go down, and go with them without hesitation; for I have sent them.' So Peter went down to the men and said, 'I am the one you are looking for; what is the reason for your coming?' They answered, 'Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say.' So Peter invited them in and gave them lodging.

The next day he got up and went with them, and some of the believers from Joppa accompanied him. The following day they came to Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends. On Peter's arrival Cornelius met him, and falling at his feet, worshipped him. But Peter made him get up, saying, 'Stand up; I am only a mortal.' And as he talked with him, he went in and found that many had assembled; and he said to them, 'You yourselves know that it is unlawful for a Jew to associate with or to visit a Gentile; but God has shown me that I should not call anyone profane or unclean. So when I was sent for, I came without objection. Now may I ask why you sent for me?'

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.

Notes from the Director of Music

I once acted a part in a new musical written by two very gifted Queen's students. I always assumed that one wrote the book and lyrics and the other the music but it was later revealed that the melodies for most of the songs were actually composed by the lyricist himself and the composer wrote down the melodies sung to him and then harmonized and embellished them. Martin Luther (1483-1546) played the flute and the lute and had a good deep voice, but he relied on friends and associates to write down his melodies and establish a harmony. Believing that hymn singing would carry the Word better and faster than any other medium, he promoted the singing of hymns and parts

of the service by the common people, while relying on the choir and clergy for other parts of the service. He wrote text and melody for many hymns which later inspired many composers to establish harmonies and compose choral preludes for the organ or orchestra. In 1524, the first Protestant hymn book appeared with only eight hymns, four of which are credited to Luther. In this and later publications it is unclear exactly who composed the melody and/or harmony. Luther's most famous hymn, which is today's last **Hymn**, likely came from an earlier hymn composed by someone else. Luther had a talent for combining fragments from chants, Ambrosian melodies of the Roman Church, and folk tunes into a melody of great inspiration.

In my search for more music by Luther, I found in a Lutheran hymnal two interesting hymns by this important man. The **Introit** uses a tune by Josef Klug composed in 1543 and the words were translated by Catherine Winkworth. The **Offertory** music is an interesting "hymn" by Luther which clearly shows the influence of early liturgical chant and the text is based on biblical readings. It is one long verse which begins: "Isaiah in a vision did of old, the Lord of hosts enthroned on high behold" Last month a piece based on *Ein Fest Burg* arranged by Diane Bish was presented and today, one by Johann Nicolaus Hanff is the **Postlude**. Hanff, who lived from 1630 to 1706 was one of several composers and organists who preceded and influenced J.S. Bach. Another piece by the gifted Hanff is the **Prelude** along with two different harmonizations of *Ein Feste Burg* by Bach.

Stanley Drummond Wolff (1916-2004) was born and educated in England and later taught in Toronto, Bermuda and California. Among his pupils was Fred Clarke, the longtime organist of Sydenham St. United Church in Kingston. Wolff is remembered for his straightforward arrangements of music for organ and for choir and our **Anthem** today is his arrangement of hymn #775.

Ushers

This morning – Rory Warnock, Doreen Henshaw,
Shirley Aitken, Rhonda Aitken

Next Sunday – The Elders of St. Andrew's Church

Flowers

We thank Wendy Worling for providing the flowers this morning. 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 or Elaine Coderre.

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

After the service, the Minister invites you to linger, hear a brief overview of the report of the Committee on Church Doctrine that has been commended to congregations to study, and have the opportunity to share thoughts that helped or challenged you.

Glad Tidings Renewal

Subscribe to "Glad Tidings" and hear stories of our Presbyterian mission staff and Presbyterians across Canada and around the world. Consider a subscription, \$16.95 (tax included) for 6 issues in 2017, due today. Contact Helen Ledford.

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 today or November 6. And thanks to Changuk and Greg for coordinating!

Presbytery Report on St. Andrew's

Copies of this report are now available in St. A's Hall.

College and Careers Dinner

Sunday October 30, 6 pm. An informal home-cooked dinner and discussion. Contact Andrew for details – a.johnston@standrewskingston.org

To My Church Family

I want to thank you for your cards and flowers, but most of all for your prayers, which the Lord has so wonderfully answered by bringing me from near death to health. These past few weeks have been an amazing experience and I rejoice in what God has done. Thank you for your part. – Helen Lowe

This Week

St. Andrew's Autumn Study Series Continues

Tuesday evenings until November 22, 7:00-8:30 pm in St. Andrew's Hall. In preparation for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation of the Church, join the

Minister for a series based on a DVD study produced by Westminster Theological Seminary. Learn about the witness of Luther, Zwingli, Calvin and Knox, & the 5 'solas' of Reformation theology.

The Sound of Bells

Handbell practice continues Wednesdays at 7:30 pm.

Advance Notice

Reception of New Members

Sunday November 20, 10:30 a.m.

Do you feel that this might be a community with whom you would like to grow in Christian worship, fellowship and service? You would be welcome! Speak to one of the Elders or the Minister for details.

St. John's Ambulance Training

Anyone interested in learning (or renewing) CPR and defibrillator operation training should contact St. John's Ambulance at [613-384-8062](tel:613-384-8062). The next course is offered on November 2.

First Responders

If you have training that could help us in the case of an emergency, could you please add your name to the St. Andrew's First Responders signup sheet available in St. Andrew's Hall.

Also...

Reformed Worship - Online Course

Dates: October 31 – December 15, 2016

As Christians, we believe that our worship is service to God. Most of us consider worship one of the central commitments of our faith, yet few of us know why we worship the way that we do. This course will focus on the distinct characteristics of and theology behind Reformed worship. We will specifically look at the elements and order of our worship to see what they reflect about what we believe. Worship is an encounter with God, and understanding the practices and traditions of Reformed worship can enrich and enliven that encounter, which is at the very centre of our faith.

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Emily Bisset is a graduate of Knox and a minister of Calvin Presbyterian Church in Toronto, Ontario. <http://www.knox.utoronto.ca/> (type in Certificate in Christian Faith and Life)

Art Show

The Mess Open Arts Studio invites you to our Annual Art Show and Sale, Opening Reception on November 5th, 1:00-4:00 pm in Gill Hall. Additional showing and

sales until December 8th, on Tuesdays–Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm. Come join us!

Operation Christmas Child

Shoe boxes are again available this year! School supplies, personal items, small gifts, and toys will bring joy and happiness to a child somewhere in the world – often in war-torn and poverty-stricken nations. Through this ministry, the love of Jesus is expressed and these simple shoeboxes DO change lives, families, and villages.

Check the display in St. Andrew's Hall and pick up one or more boxes to fill. Last year we sent off 55 boxes. Let's aim for 65 this year as we join others around the world spreading the gospel in this unique way! – Barb Zabel



October 30: Reaching out to minorities in Pakistan

Dr. Bill McKelvie and Mrs. Sheila McKelvie serve with the Church of Pakistan's Diocese of Hyderabad, which reaches out to the area's Hindu minority. Outreach includes education, health and pastoral ministries. Bill works with TB patients, coordinates workshops on health topics, and promotes hygiene and sanitation in villages. Sheila coordinates Interserve's international personnel development program, participates in training workshops and is also involved with women's and children's ministries in the church.

As the congregation of St. Andrew's, we support Presbyterians Sharing and peace for this world through our Sunday offerings designated 'mission'.

Financial Offerings Update

	Budgeted	Received
October 23, 2016	\$7,878	\$3,095
Year to Date	\$187,258	\$159,637