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in this community  
since 1817*

# Order of Worship

## WELCOME TO ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 12, 2017



No. 8 - Mark Rothko (1952)

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. As a matter of respect for our Indigenous neighbours, we acknowledge that we meet on traditional Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee territory.

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**Preludes** Elevation A. Guilmant

**Silent Meditation**

**Entry of Holy Scriptures**

**Call to Worship**

**Hymn** Oh come and sing unto the Lord #61

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

**Introit** All the way my Saviour leads me Robert Lowrey  
All the way my Saviour leads me,  
cheers each winding path I tread,  
Gives me grace for every trial,  
feeds me with the living bread.  
Though my weary steps may falter,  
and my soul athirst may be,  
Gushing from the rock before me lo,  
a spring of joy I see.

**Greetings & Announcements**

**Litany for Lent** Gavin Robinson

**Hymn** One more step along the world I go #641

**Time with Children**

**Scripture Readings** Holly Turnbull

Exodus 15:22-24, 16:1-3, 17:1-3

Responsive Psalm 95 (inside)

Hebrews 3:12-15, 4:1-3a, 9-13

**Anthem** Tell Out my Soul arr. David Cameron

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:  
unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
Tender to me the promise of his word.  
In God, my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

**Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession**

**Hymn** O Love that wilt not let me go #209

**Sermon** Wandering and Rest Hebrews 4

**Presentation of Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory** Prayer A. Guilmant

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

**Hymn** O God of Bethel #654

**Benediction & Choral Congregational Amen**

**Postlude** Postlude Nuptial A. Guilmant

*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.

## **Ushers**

This morning – Dorothy Messenger, Ralph Kendall  
Wendy Worling, Doreen Henshaw  
March 12 – Dorothy Messenger, Holly Turnbull,  
Marilyn Trudeau, Joan Barr-Knox

## **Flowers**

The flowers this morning have been provided with  
love by Ann & Brian McLean.

## **Scripture Readings**

*Exodus 15:22-24, 16:1-3, 17:1-3*

Then Moses ordered Israel to set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went for three days in the wilderness and found no water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter. That is why it was called Marah. And the people complained against Moses, saying, 'What shall we drink?' ...

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'..

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you

quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' ...

*Responsive Psalm 95*

O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
**let us make a joyful noise to the rock  
of our salvation!**

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;  
**let us make a joyful noise to the Lord  
with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great Sovereign above all gods;  
**in whose hand are the depths of the earth,  
and also the heights of the mountains.  
The sea belongs to God who made it,  
and the dry land,  
which God's hands have formed.**

O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker!

**For the Lord is our God,  
and we are the people of God's pasture,  
and the sheep of God's hand.**

O that you would listen to the voice of the Lord today!

Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,  
when your ancestors tested me,  
and put me to the proof,  
though they had seen my work.

**For forty years I loathed that generation  
and said,**

**"They are a people whose hearts go astray,  
and they do not regard my ways."**

**Therefore in my anger I swore,  
"They shall not enter my rest."**

*Hebrews 3:12-15, 4:1-3a, 9-13*

Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called 'today', so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end. As it is said, 'Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.'

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest is still open, let us take care that none of you

should seem to have failed to reach it. For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said, ‘As in my anger I swore, “They shall not enter my rest,” ’ though his works were finished at the foundation of the world. So then, a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God’s rest also cease from their labours as God did from his. Let us therefore make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one may fall through such disobedience as theirs.

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

### **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**

David Cameron turns eighty tomorrow. David was Director of Music here for a brief time, just prior to my arrival. Over the years he has distinguished himself as a church organist, choir director, teacher, scholar, composer and president of the Royal Canadian College of Organists. To celebrate his birthday, he did what he loves to do best: yesterday at St. George’s he assembled a choir and orchestra and conducted some of his favourite music including some of his own. The choir included some of our own choir members. While at St. Andrew’s, in November 2013, he made an arrangement of the famous hymn *Tell Out, My Soul* and dedicated it to our choir. I thought as a tribute to David Cameron on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, we would sing this superb arrangement as the **Anthem**.

My wife celebrated her birthday this past week, and in thinking of birthdays, I thought I would check to see who else had a birthday that coincided with David’s.

Robert Lowrey was born March 12, 1826 in New England. In 1854 he was ordained as a Baptist

Minister and later taught at Lewisburg and became its chancellor. He wrote over 500 hymns and published and edited a few hymn books including *Pure Gold* and *Royal Diadem* which were published in 1871 and 1873. I am happy to have copies of these old books in the Piano Museum. Many of his hymns endure to this day including the one we are singing for the **Introit**, found in our Book of Praise #699 with words by Fanny Crosby. Throughout his career, Robert Lowrey thought his real calling was as a preacher, but it was his gift as a hymn writer, something he did on the side, which makes him remembered to this day.

Félix Alexandre Guilmant was born March 12, 1837 at Boulogne-sur-mer. His father was a well-known organist and by 1871, Alexandre had moved to Paris and become one of the greatest organists of his day. He was organist of the Grand Organ at La Trinité for over 30 years and later taught at the Paris Conservatoire. He was a prolific composer and toured throughout the world. The **Prelude** and **Offertory** were composed for church use. The **Postlude** was composed for the closing music at weddings, but I think it works just as well for a birthday celebration.

### **Today**

#### **Easter Candles**

As part of our joint Good Friday service and our St. Andrew's Easter Service, each of the six congregations is asked to provide wax for a large white candle (3" diam. 4' tall). Please bring in stubs of white candles, or whole candles (and leave in the basket in St. Andrew's Hall), and make a mental note of the occasions on which the candles were lit. We will also need two individuals to attend the candle making workshop the beginning of April.

#### **Lenten Daily Devotions**

To prepare for Easter 2017, The Presbyterian College Montreal has prepared a daily devotional with scripture readings, reflections, and prayers. Two devotions have been written by our Minister - March 7 and 21. These devotions can be received daily as an email, downloaded as a whole in PDF, or pick up a paper copy this morning. In order to sign up for the daily email or for more information, please visit <http://www.presbyteriancollege.ca/2017/01/lent-devotional-2/>

## **This Week**

### **Winter Tuesday Evenings**

Gospel in Life: Grace Changes Everything, a DVD series produced by Timothy Keller, Minister of Redeemer Presbyterian Church NYC. Join us this Tuesday evening, March 14, 7-8:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. Informal, informative, led by our Minister. This week: "Idolatry." All welcome.

### **Morning Bible Study**

Thursday March 16, 10-11:30 a.m.

Join the Minister and others for a look at scenes of the journey of Abraham and Sarah. We will read of the arrival of three strangers by the oaks of Mamre (Genesis 18:1-15) and also of the destruction of the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18:16-19:29), and inquire how these scenes might intersect with our lives.

### **Advance Notice**

#### **Congregational Potluck**

Our monthly potluck lunch will be held March 19th following the church service. Plenty of food for everyone, so stick around if you can. Contribute if you are able, but your presence is the gift.

### **Sunday Perspectives**

Sunday March 19, 7 p.m. Purchase your own ticket at the Screening Room (Princess Street) and see 'Paterson' with members of Chalmers United and St. Mark's Lutheran, followed by a brief time of discussion in the theatre. Paterson is a hardworking bus driver in a N.J. town of the same name who follows the same routine every day, observing the city and listening to fragments of conversations while picking up and dropping off his passengers.

### **Women's Missionary Society**

Join us Monday March 20, 1 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall as we gather to learn about and support the Church's mission initiatives in Canada and around the world. Speak to Louise Axford for information.

### **Weekly Givings**

	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Received</b>
<b>Feb. 26, 2017</b>	\$3,899	\$3,732
<b>Year to Date</b>	\$32,605	\$37,600

## **Also ...**

### **Community Members**

The Mess Open Arts Studio is in need of help preparing lunch for our artists. If you could participate for 2.5 hrs (10am - 12:30pm) on a Tuesday or Thursday, committing to even one day per month would be a tremendous contribution. Please contact Sandi by phone 613-484-3886 or email [themesskingston@gmail.com](mailto:themesskingston@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Presbyterians Sharing**



With support from *Presbyterians Sharing*, Jackie Bannerman is serving as a young adult intern in Budapest, Hungary with our long-standing partner, the Reformed Church in Hungary. Jackie is excited about helping the Kalunba Refugee ministry to build relationships with refugees in a safe environment. She teaches English lessons and helps with Kalunba's website, providing English content to connect international readers. Jackie shares, "I hope to help create a sort of home, if only a temporary one, and provide a much needed sense of hope to people coming from fearful situations with uncertain futures." In 2017, St. Andrew's Kingston has committed the sum of \$25,000 to Presbyterians Sharing as part of our witness.

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