

**Sunday January 27, 2019**



The Baptism of Christ by Peiro Della Francesca - 1448-50

**St. Andrew's  
Presbyterian Church**

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Gathering to serve God & neighbour  
in this community since 1817  
We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands  
of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

<b>Preludes</b>	Wo Gott der Herr nicht bei uns halt Praeludium Magnificat Fugue no. 10	Pachelbel
<b>Entry of the Bible</b>		
<b>Call to Worship</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	God of mercy, God of grace	#39
<b>Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer</b>		
<b>Introit</b>	I bind this day	Stanford/Alexander
<b>Greetings &amp; Announcements</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	Lord, the light of your love is shining	#376
<b>Time with Children</b>		
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Luke 3: 2b-22	
<b>Anthem</b>	Star of the east	Curry
<b>Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	Songs of thankfulness and praise	#176
<b>Sermon</b>	The Baptism of Jesus: Why The Shocked Faces?	
<b>Presentation of Tithes &amp; Offerings &amp; Food Baskets</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>	Chaconne in F minor	Pachelbel
<b>Prayer of Dedication</b>		
<b>Doxology</b>		
<b>Hymn</b>	Christ, when for us you were baptised	#183
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	Tocatta in G minor	Pachelbel

*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.  
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, for ever. Amen.

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

## Gospel Reading      Luke 3:2b-22

During the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

**'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
"Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.  
Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth;  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." '...**

And the crowds asked him, **'What then should we do?'** In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, **'Teacher, what should we do?'** He said to them, 'Collect no more than the

amount prescribed for you.’ Soldiers also asked him, **‘And we, what should we do?’** He said to them, ‘Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.’

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, ‘I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.’

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people... Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

## **NOTES FROM DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**

Once on a trip to England, my father visited the village church where his mother’s family had worshipped for generations, He wanted to check the baptismal records of the family and was able to find them all except his mother’s. He began to wonder if she had in fact been baptized and yet he knew that baptism in the Christian faith was very important to the family. After much inquiry, it was discovered that the church had been closed for renovations around the time of my grandmother’s birth. On a hunch, my father checked the records of a nearby church and found Grandma’s name in their baptismal register.

Often in researching an ancestor, the date of birth cannot be found but the date of baptism and burial can be. Such is the case of German composer and organist Johann Pachelbel who was baptized in 1653 and buried in 1706. We can only assume that he was born and died in those years. We hear examples of his music in

today's service. He was one of the most important composers of the South German School in the middle Baroque period. He knew the Bach family and taught the brother of Johann Sebastian Bach, so there was indeed some influence on the music of the young Johann Sebastian. Pachelbel's music has a clarity that makes it a delight to listen to and perform, yet his music, like Bach's, was largely neglected for over two hundred years.

The **Introit** is taken from a rather lengthy hymn (576) which covers a lot of territory including Christ's baptism. The fascinating history of this ancient Irish hymn is also lengthy but we will save it for another day.

Craig Curry is a contemporary American Pastor and church musician and has received several awards for his compositions. The **Anthem** was composed in 2000 for a community Christmas music festival in Pennsylvania. It is a good example of a "journey hymn". It relates the journey of the wise men to our own journey in life as we seek to know better the life of Christ and God's love for us.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Welcome**

A warm welcome to all this morning in the name of Jesus Christ. During this service, there is a nursery offered for infants, hosted by certified care Tran Thao Dinh, and a program for children led by Laura Tyner-Clement – please speak to an usher for information if interested.

### **The Days Of Winter**

Be sure to pick up your copy of The Days of Winter by either sanctuary door on your way out!

### **Prayer Partnership**

If you would like to have a time of personal prayer after the service, you are invited to meet a member of the prayer team at the pillar just to the right of the pulpit. And please pass prayer requests to be shared on the congregational autumn prayer card to Dorothy M. or Barb Z.

## **February Pop-Up**

Another of these great congregational displays, Sunday February 10. The theme will be 'Sharing Your Heritage'. Come with a family saying or recipe book, a childhood book or a document (like immigration papers), an award received or artifact inherited (like a miner's lamp or an engraved pocket watch), a piece of clothing (like a beaver hat or sari) or a flag. Speak to Elaine C. with any questions.

## **Faith and Courage: The Story of the Reverend Josiah Henson**

Here at St. Andrew's, Saturday February 16, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. This is the inspiring, true story of Josiah Henson who was born into slavery in Maryland in the late eighteenth century. Despite terrible conditions where he was beaten, starved and degraded, despite every attempt to break him, he remained unbroken. At eighteen he heard his first sermon and was blown away. That Jesus died for everyone, for the black man as well as the white, struck such a chord with Joisah that from then on, he devoted his life to God and became a preacher. His belief in God gave him the strength to survive slavery and to ultimately gain his freedom. Once free, he used his freedom well and became one of the most important figures in Canadian black history. Celebrate Black History Month with Cassel Miles (a veteran of the Stratford and Shaw Festivals) as he recreates the Reverend Josiah Henson's days in slavery and his struggle for freedom. Tickets at the door, \$20. Invite family and friends – a perfect outing for Black History Month!

## **Gill Hall Kitchen GoFundMe**

The lower kitchen needs significant renovations if Gill Hall can continue to be a home to three groups that serve our neighbours in need. The groups themselves have already sought out and received over \$20,000. But the latest estimate from the plumbers has been revised upwards greatly, and additional funds are now needed. If you would be willing to contribute, go to [www.gofundme.com](http://www.gofundme.com) and type in the search bar, 'St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Kingston'.

## **Sanctuary Flowers**

If you would be willing to provide flowers or plants for our worship, please sign up on the congregational bulletin board or speak to Wendy W.

## **Mission Goals Update**

Last Sunday Holly T. announced that offerings on the 'mission' line of our envelopes exceeded our goals for 2018. In addition to our \$25,000 commitment to Presbyterians Sharing, members contributed over \$18,000 for another eight mission initiatives, so an additional \$1000 has been donated in the name of Christ to HomeBaseHousing.

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Calling All Sewists**

Do you sew your own clothes, or clothes for others? Your input would be helpful to a Queen's study. See the community bulletin board for details.

### **The 8th Fire**

Out of the Anishinabe's Seven Fires comes the idea of the Eighth: the settler community and Aboriginal peoples must come together for harmony and justice. People are invited to attend showings of parts of this excellent CBC series on February 3 (Pt 3) and 24 (Pt 4) on the big screen at Chalmers United Church for one hour, starting at 1:30. No admission, no donations expected. This is a response to the report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

### **Panorama**

A large scale handbell musical landscape, Princess Street United Church. Saturday February 9, 7 p.m. Tickets \$20. See poster.

### **Ushers**

#### **This morning**

Ada M., John S., Myrna A.

### **February 3**

Elders - Holy Communion

## Presbyterians Sharing ...



With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Action Réfugiés Montréal provides direct, person-to-person assistance to help refugees start new lives in Canada. They help refugee claimants, accepted refugees

and sponsored refugees access protection and justice, and develop a sense of belonging in Canadian society. For more than 20 years, Action Réfugiés has provided programs to create social support and networking opportunities for newly arrived refugee families. Recently, they started a new men’s dinner program that offers a meal along with social programming. These programs help to reduce social isolation and provide practical knowledge for living in Canada.

*Last year, St. Andrew’s Kingston made a commitment to contribute at least \$25,000 to the work of Christ through Presbyterians Sharing.*

### Offering Update

Weekly Giving’s	Budgeted	Received
January 20, 2019	\$8,144.11	\$7,262.00
Year to Date	\$12,569.08	\$11,868.41

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