

# Sunday September 29, 2019



Healing of the Paralytic by John Armstrong (1893-1973)

## 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

**Prelude** Soliloquy Healey Willan

**Entry of the Bible**

**Call to Worship**

**Hymn** God of mercy #39

**Introit** Thou whose almighty word J. Marriott  
*Saviour who came to bring... healing and sight*

**Prayer of Approach & Lord's Prayer**

**Greetings & Announcements**

**Responsive Psalm** #6 Insert

**Hymn** When Jesus the healer #203

**Time with Children**

**Scripture Lesson** Mark 2:1-12 Christina M.

**Anthem** We cannot measure how you heal M. Archer  
*... to mend the body, mind and soul*

**Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession**

**Hymn** Help us to help each other #489

**Sermon** Mark 3) Four Friends

**Presentation of Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory** Thou whose almighty word Willan

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Hymn** Lord of light #769

**Benediction**

**Postlude** Postlude in D Willan

*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.

## Responsive Psalm 6

O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger, or discipline me in your wrath.

**Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;  
O Lord, heal me, for my bones are shaking with terror.  
My soul also is struck with terror, O Lord: how long?**

Turn, O Lord, save my life; deliver me for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in the depths who can give you praise?

**I am weary with my moaning;  
every night I flood my bed with tears;  
I drench my couch with my weeping.  
My eyes waste away because of grief; they grow weak  
because of all my foes.**

Depart from me, all you workers of evil,

**for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.  
The Lord has heard my supplication;**

the Lord accepts my prayer. All my enemies shall be ashamed and struck with terror;

**they shall turn back, and in a moment be put to shame.**

## Scripture Reading: Mark 2:1-12

When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralysed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.' Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, 'Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?' At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, "Your sins are forgiven", or to say, "Stand up and take your mat and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins'—he said to the paralytic— 'I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home.' And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, 'We have never seen anything like this!'

## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

John Marriott was a very modest man. Born in 1780, he studied at Christ Church, Oxford and took holy orders in 1804. He became a close friend of Sir Walter Scott and loved to write hymns. Although possessing great charm, he remained very modest and did not wish the attention received by his friend Sir Walter. He would not allow any of his hymns to be published while he was still alive. Two months after his death in 1825, his hymn *Thou whose almighty word* was read at a meeting of the London Missionary Society and it became instantly popular, remaining so today. The composer of the tune *Moscow* was Felice de Giardini who was born in Italy in 1716. He was quite unlike Marriott – quarrelsome and a bit of a loudmouth. He tried to make a career as a musician and promoter of Italian opera, but failed

miserably. He then moved to Moscow but was no more successful there. He died there in 1796, disillusioned and penniless. He is remembered mainly for this one hymn tune which we hear for the **Introit**. The first verse is sung with the original three-part version and the next verse, relevant to today's theme of healing, is the arrangement in use today.

Malcolm Archer has been organist at St. Paul's, Wells and Norwich cathedrals. For our **Anthem** today, he has combined a traditional Scottish tune with words from the Iona Community. Both words and music are a treasure.

Healey Willan is often referred to as the "Dean of Canadian Composers". He was born in England in 1880 but most of his career was in Canada. In 1967, a year before his death, he was made a Companion of the Order of Canada. His compositions, relying on very traditional forms of writing, have enriched the services of many denominations. Willan composed many choral works and several major organ works. Today's **Offertory** is based on Giardini's tune Moscow. In addition, we hear two more of his compositions for the **Prelude** and **Postlude**. I was unable to find organ music dealing with "healing", but the name "Healey" came to mind. So there we are.

## 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 giver Tran Thao Dinh, & a program for young children led by Laura Tyner-Clement—please speak to an usher for information.

### 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. Prayer team members are Dorothy M. David S. Dennis T. and Barb Z.

### Decorating Team & Kingston Food Bank

The decorating team will be collecting canned food to add to the harvest display in the sanctuary for Thanksgiving Sunday. The canned

food will be donated to the Kingston Food Bank. If you would like to assist in this way please place your canned food in the baskets located in the two entry halls between next Sunday and Thanksgiving Sunday.

### **St. Andrew's Special Meals @ St. Andrew's**

Our two St. Andrew's teams prepare this community meal Sunday evenings once a month, October to May. Our next meals are Sunday October 6 & 13, 5:15 p.m. Interested in learning how you might assist with the cooking and serving? Join us one evening, just to see what is involved. Speak to Karen or David F. or Larry M.

### **Cycling for Special Meals**

Saturday October 5. Andy Mills is laying out a path of approximately 20 kilometres total – would you be willing to be part of a St. Andrew's team? Speak to Andy or Andrew for information. Sponsorship sheets are available in St. Andrew's Hall.

### **Reception of New Members – Sunday October 20, 10:30 a.m.**

If you have just started attending St. Andrew's, or have been participating for a while ... If you feel this is a people with whom you might grow in Christian faith, community and service, please speak to an elder or Andrew. We will be formally welcoming new members in October, and would love to welcome you!

### **St. Andrew's Autumn Study Series**

Join the Minister for five Tuesday evenings of growth in the Christian way, beginning October 29, 7-8:30 p.m. Our focus will be a recently-released DVD study by Tom Wright of St. Andrew's University Scotland, 'The New Testament You Never Knew. Filmed in Palestine and Israel, it offers a new perspective upon the ministry of Jesus and promises of God. All welcome.

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### **Is The Bible Green?**

Hilliker Preaching Lectureship 2019. Three Wednesday evenings, by the Rev. Dr. William Morrow at Chalmers United Church – October 2-16  
Subdue the earth? Does God love nature? Does civilization have limits?  
(see poster).

## Election Guides

Have a look at the questions posed by two Christian organisations in preparation for the national election - Canadian Council of Churches (Toronto) and Citizens for Public Justice (Ottawa). Paper copies are available in St. Andrew's Hall; online they can be seen at:

<https://www.councilofchurches.ca/news/2019-federal-election-guide/>  
and <https://cpj.ca/2019-federal-election/>

## Viva La Mess – A Tenth Anniversary Fundraiser

An evening filled with live music, art & a delicious 3-course meal!

Might St. Andrew's fill a table? Tickets (\$75-with charitable receipt for \$35) available from Janet or Paul Payne. Saturday October 26, 7 p.m.

Italo-Canadian Club (see poster) or email:

themesskingston@gmail.com

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## PAR and Offering Envelopes

Pre-Authorized Givings are a great way to express our gratitude to God with commitment. Any authorization is kept by Candace our bookkeeper entirely in confidence, and can be revised at any time. Forms of application are available in the foyer, and can be left in the church office. PAR givers receive cards that can be placed in the offering plates instead of weekly envelopes. (Candace is available by phone in the office Monday-Wednesday, 1-4 p.m.) Boxes of weekly offering envelopes are also still available for the remainder of 2019.

Offering Update Monthly Givings	Budgeted	Received
August 31, 2019	\$147,113.43	\$147,047.21

Amounts shown only represent the Offerings portion of the budget.

As the congregation approved a budget that forecasts an overall deficit of \$16,373, meeting the Offerings portion of the budget may still result in a year-end deficit.

**Ushers This Morning**

Karen & David F.

Doug & Kathleen J.

**Oct 6 (Communion)**

Elders

## Presbyterians Sharing Sunday



New church development. Partnership. International mission staff. Theological colleges. Healing & reconciliation. Leadership development. Congregational support. And so much more! Today is Presbyterians Sharing Sunday, a time to celebrate

the impact our church's mission and ministry programs are having across Canada and around the world. As we encourage and equip one another and teach about love, faith and hope, we proclaim the good news of the Gospel.

*In 2019, St. Andrew's Kingston has committed the sum of \$25,000 to participate in a witness through Presbyterians Sharing.*

*The flowers presented this morning by Allen & Phyllis Hume are dedicated to the congregation in thanks for the warm welcome received since attending St. Andrew's.*

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