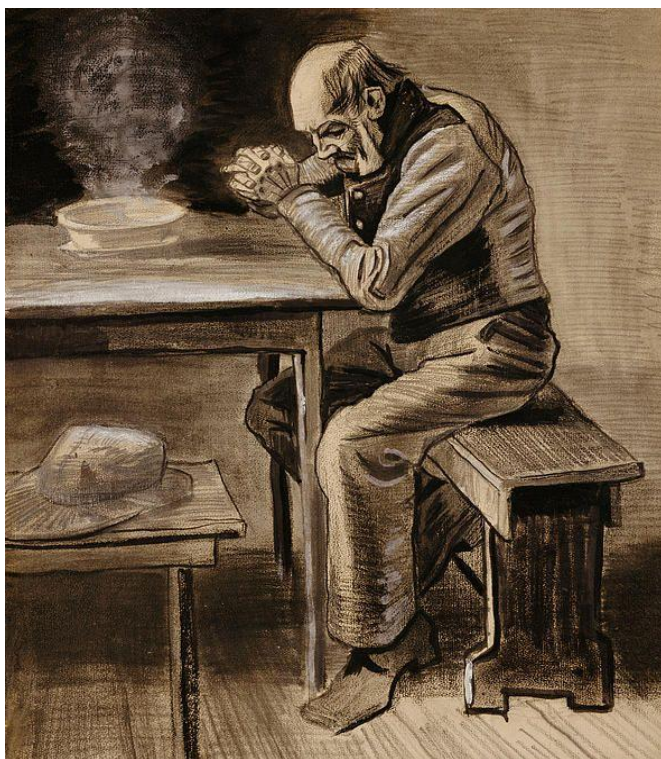


Sunday September 13, 2020



The Prayer. Vincent Van Gogh, 1882.

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

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| Prelude | Trumpet Voluntary | John Travers |
| Entry of the Bible | | |
| Call to Worship | | |
| Metrical Psalm | The Lord's my light | #15 |
| Prayer of Approach | | |
| Lord's Prayer | | |
| Greetings & Announcements | | |
| Responsive Psalm | 27: 1-5, 13-14 | Insert |
| Scripture Lesson | I Kings 3:6-9 Galatians 3:23-29, 4:4-7 | Anne T |
| Hymn | Come down, O love divine | #386 |
| Sermon | Prayer 1) What is it? | |
| Music for Meditation | Evening Prayer | Humperdinck |
| Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession | | |
| Hymn | Take time to be holy | #638 |
| Benediction | | |
| Choral Amen | | |
| Postlude | Improvisation on a Theme of Handel | Darwin Wolford |

***Please remain in your seat until after the postlude
when the usher will provide guidance for you to leave your pew.***

O my God, may I always keep myself in your love, by praying in the Holy Spirit. As your infinite love is always streaming in blessings on me, so let my soul be always breathing love to you.

Thomas Ken 1637-1711

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.

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ!

While it is good to be able to re-open the doors to this sanctuary, this service of worship will not be as we knew worship prior to this pandemic. The Elders thank all present for their willingness to abide by the protocols established (summarized on the inside of the back page of this bulletin), as we honour the guidance of public health authorities and denominational leadership.

Understanding that there will be many members who are not able to return to worship in the sanctuary, the elders agreed to continue with an online worship opportunity. Several significant investments have been made to allow this service to be streamed live from a camera placed high on one of the back pillars, thanks to the skill of Benjamin and Greg, and available for all to view anytime during the week on the St. Andrew's YouTube channel (see our church website for the link – www.standrewskingston.org).

Psalm 27: 1-5, 13-14

God is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

**God is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?**

When evildoers assail me
uttering slanders against me,
my adversaries and foes,
they shall stumble and fall.

Though a host encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
**though war rise against me,
yet I will be confident.**

One thing have I asked of God,
that will I seek after:
**that I may dwell in the house of God
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of God,
and to inquire in God's temple.**

For God will hide me in a shelter
in the day of trouble;
**he will conceal me under the cover of God's tent;
God will set me high upon a rock.**

I believe that I shall see the goodness of God
in the land of the living.

**Wait for God;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
yes, wait for God!**

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 3:6-9

And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you ... And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

Galatians 3:23-29, 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed ... But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if

you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son ... so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

NOTES FROM DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

It is great to be at the organ console on a Sunday morning once again. Of course I miss my choir very much. This bulletin gives me an opportunity to say a little bit more about the music. We are indeed happy to be able to worship together in our beautiful Sanctuary once again despite the restrictions. So I am playing a happy little Trumpet Voluntary for the **Prelude**. It was composed by English composer John Travers (1703-1758) whose success as a church musician led him to be appointed to the Chapel Royal in 1737.

With the subject of prayer in mind, after the sermon we will hear music composed for an opera about Hansel and Gretel. German composer Engelbert Humperdinck (1854-1921) was inspired by Wagner and the opera house in Bayreuth and composed an opera based on a children's fairy tale in 1893. It remains hugely successful to this day and is one of the few operas suitable for the whole family. At this point in the opera, the children are lost in the forest and they sing this comforting prayer as night falls.

To end the service on a happy note, (or happy notes), this **Postlude** by American composer Darwin Wolford does the trick. He based this piece on a happy theme of G.F. Handel and stuck closely to Handel's original harmonies. Wolford was born in 1936 and was Director of Organ Studies at Brigham Young University for many years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK

Zoom Sunday Fellowship

We are experimenting with a shift to a new time for our online fellowship time - 7 p.m. has been suggested, over a mug of tea! We will try out this evening. If you would like to receive an invitational link by email, let Andrew know, a.johnston@standrewskingston.org

Our Daily Bread

The autumn edition of this daily devotional (regular and large print) are available on Sunday morning. Ask an usher on your way into the sanctuary.

Session Meeting

Monday September 14, 7 p.m. by Zoom. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please forward them to any Elder or to the Clerk of Session, Alberta S. alberta@StAndrewsKingston.org

Singing in a Circle

Tuesday September 15, 7-8 p.m. on the church lawn. Bring a lawn chair and your hymn book if you have one. All are welcome, whatever the weather. We sing for the joy of it (remember what that is like?!), not to perform, but to please God. Come, make a joyful noise. Speak to Kathleen H. for details, kashoughton@gmail.com

ADVANCE NOTICE

Morning Monthly Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday September 17, 10:30 – 11:30 All welcome! We will be continuing with our look at some scenes of the Gospel according to Mark. Let Andrew know of your interest, and he will send you the contact information – you can join either by voice only over any phone or with video also by any smartphone, tablet or computer.

The Presbytery of Kingston

Tuesday September 22, 1 p.m. St. Andrew's Church Tweed. If you have any questions or suggestions, please pass them on to your Minister or Representative Elder, Elaine C.

Singing in a Circle - Tuesday September 22, 7-8 p.m.

Mission Committee Meeting - Wednesday September 23, 6:30 p.m.

The Days of October

The minister's monthly newsletter will be published on Thursday September 24. If you have any announcements to be shared, please have them to Andrew by Tuesday September 22.

Wheels for Meals

Saturday October 3, 1:30 p.m. Shall we repeat this event again this year? Let Andrew know.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday October 18, 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. This meeting will review the audited financial statements for 2019 (delayed from the spring) and consider any capital projects for this year.

Protocol for Worship in the Sanctuary of St. Andrew's during a Time of Pandemic

- you will be greeted by an usher outside the open door of the sanctuary to answer any questions and ensure a measured entrance into the church
- the wearing of face masks at all times in the building is mandatory
- you will be ushered to a seat, filling the front pews first
- there will be no congregational singing or choir: to ensure no sharing of materials, the lyrics to hymns and scripture passages are included in the bulletin
- you will be asked to leave from the same door in which you entered, beginning from the back pews
- our offerings of thanksgiving and dedication will be received at the back of the sanctuary as we leave
- we are asked to leave the sanctuary immediately to avoid close proximity to others in the narrow aisles at the back or in the foyers, and we will have no opportunity for fellowship within the church facilities

| Financial Review to August 31, 2020 | Budgeted | Received |
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| General Offerings | \$153,108 | \$152,839 |
| Designated Mission Offerings | \$ 12,333 | \$ 11,736 |
| Community Use Contributions + Manse | \$ 41,333 | \$ 23,311 |

New Beginnings & Evangelism Coaches



The Apostle Paul, in his pursuit of sharing the gospel message, says that in doing so he is “forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead” (Philippians 3:13). Looking ahead is not always an easy thing to do, especially in the rapidly changing environment that we live in today. For congregations, it can be a struggle to know how to continue to reach out to their communities and share the gospel in meaningful ways. The PCC has developed a network of coaches

to help congregations and ministries to discover where God is calling them. Through programs like New Beginnings and the Evangelism Network, congregations can be connected with a coach to guide them into an exciting new era of ministry. Please contact Canadian Ministries at canadianministries@presbyterian.ca to learn more about the New Beginnings program and the Evangelism Network.

In 2020, St. Andrew’s Kingston has a goal of contributing the sum of \$25,500 to support a witness together through Presbyterians Sharing.

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