Sunday November 22, 2020



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

Preludes Hornpipe Samuel Wesley

Larghetto Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Air S.S. Wesley

Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship

Hymn I love the Lord #76

Prayer of Approach The Lord's Prayer

Greetings & Announcements

Responsive Psalm 116:1-9, 17-19

Time for Children

Scripture Readings Zechariah 7:4-10

Luke 19:1-10

Hymn Will you come and follow me? #634

Sermon Following a Lopsided God

The Reverend Paul Kern

Music for Meditation Pastorale Charles Wesley

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn And can it be that I should gain #352

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude Choral Song S.S. Wesley

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

Weather permitting, you are invited to gather outside after the Postlude to sing a hymn together, appropriately distanced of course – today's selection: "Love divine, all loves excelling."

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 as we honour the guidance of public health authorities and denominational leadership. Please review these guidelines, as summarized on the inside of the back page of this bulletin.

A special welcome to the Rev. Paul Kern. Paul is an ordained minister of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, serving in the fulltime ministry for 25 years. He is a strong advocate for "front-line" ministry and currently serves as a prison chaplain for Corrections Canada at Collins Bay Institution in Kingston, Ontario. Paul believes the church is called to reach the "3 L's": The Least, The Lonely, and the Left Out. Paul lives with his wife, Heather (who is also an ordained minister serving as a correctional chaplain), and two children who all enjoy serving in their local church, Kingston Gospel Temple. As a family they enjoy camping, Mad Libs, and walking their Pug -Edmund.

Responsive Psalm 116:1-9, 17-19

I love God, because God has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because God has listened to me, therefore I will call on God as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of God:

'O Lord, I pray, save my life!'

God is gracious and righteous;

our God is merciful.

God preserves the simple;

when I was brought low, he saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest,

for God has dealt bountifully with you.

For you have delivered my soul from death,

my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

I walk before the Lord

in the land of the living.

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving

And call on the name of God

I will pay my vows to God

in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of God, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Zechariah 7:4-10

Then the word of the Lord of hosts came to me: Say to all the people of the land and the priests: When you fasted and lamented in the fifth month and in the seventh, for these seventy years, was it for me that you fasted? And when you eat and when you drink, do you not eat and drink only for yourselves? Were not these the words that the Lord proclaimed by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, along with the towns around it, and when the Negeb and the Shephelah were inhabited?

The word of the Lord came to Zechariah, saying: Thus says the Lord of hosts: Render true judgements, show kindness and mercy to one another; do not oppress the widow, the orphan, the alien, or the poor; and do not devise evil in your hearts against one another.

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycomore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to

him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

The organ music today is all by the famous Wesley family. This British family of theologians, authors, composers and other musicians spanned five generations and it is easy to get them mixed up. The brothers John (1703-91) and Charles (1707-88) were the founders of the Methodist movement. Many of their hymn texts appear in our Book of Praise, including our last Hymn, #352 which was written by Charles Wesley. He had two musical sons. Charles Jr. (1757-1834) wrote today's piece which is heard after the sermon. He was the teacher of his younger brother Samuel (1766-1837) who composed the first Prelude. He also taught his nephew, Samuel's very gifted son Samuel Sebastian (1810-1876). S.S. Wesley was the most important of this large family of musicians. His father gave him the middle name "Sebastian" as a tribute his favourite composer, Johann Sebastian Bach. Samuel (Sr.) was a friend of Mendelssohn and helped him promote Bach's music. He would have done more as a musician had he not fallen into an excavation hole which crippled him the rest of his life.

Samuel Sebastian had siblings who were all talented musicians. The musical line continued one more generation with soprano and harpist Gertrude Wesley in the late 1800's. As well as being an organist, composer and teacher, Samuel Sebastian was a consultant for new organ installations and helped to develop the concave, radiating pedal board which is part of the design of most organs built today. This facilitates the playing of the organ pedals so that the organist does not have to move around on the organ bench so much and wear out the seat of his pants! So thanks to S.S. for the saving of

many pairs of trousers. The **Postlude** is one of his most famous organ pieces.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering Envelopes

The boxes of confidential 2021 offering envelopes are available to be picked up this morning on tables outside. Please be sure to dispose of any 2020 envelopes, as numbers change and offerings will not be tracked. If you would be willing to transfer to PAR, please contact Candace, Mon-Wed, 1-4 pm in the church office at candace@standrewskingston.org

Autumn Tuesday Evenings (Zoom)

Our study is based on Brian McLaren's recent book, The Great Spiritual Migration. All welcome to join in this final evening's DVD presentation. Tuesday November 24, 7 – 8 p.m. by Zoom. To receive a link, send an email to a.johnston@standrewskingston.org

Morning Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday November 26, 10:30–11:30 a.m. An opportunity to gather with the minister and others to read through the Sermon on the Mount. No previous experience of the Bible needed. Send Andrew an email for the link, a.johnston@standrewskingston.org

Fifth Annual St. Andrew's Social (Zoom)

This year you will have to prepare the tea & shortbread at home, but we will enjoy an hour of things related to St. Andrew. Contributions of music, poetry and readings. Visit ... www.standrewskingston.org Monday Morning Nov, 30, anytime.

Kingston Interfaith Community (Zoom)

Foods that bring comfort & healing offered by Kingston Interfaith Community, November 26, 7 p.m. Zoom Link... https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/3904796644 RSVP Bridget to receive recipes - bridget.doherty@providence.ca

The Days of December

The Minister's newsletter for Dec. through Jan. will be published for next Sunday – the first Sunday of Advent! Please have announcements you want to be included to him by Tuesday. With thanks!

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

SERVING THIS MORNING

Bell Ringer Margaret H.
Cantor Paul P.

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Ushers This Morning

November 22 Beatrice J. Susan & David H.

Anne-Marie & Philippe G.

Janet & Paul P.

November 29 Wendy W. Ralph K. John S.

Dixie & Murray D. Ann & Brian M.

Financial Review to Oct 31, 2020	Budgeted	Received
Community Use Contributions + Manse	\$ 41,333	\$ 23,311
Designated Mission Offerings	\$ 12,333	\$ 11,736
General Offerings	\$ 189,116	\$ 195,161

Stable Housing. Stronger Communities. Healthier Lives.



Winnipeg Inner
City Missions
(WICM), a
recognized
Indigenous
ministry in The
Presbyterian
Church in
Canada, has long
understood the
connection
between stable
housing and

social well-being. When a person is safely and adequately housed, it becomes easier to find employment, develop healthy relationships and break habits of addiction. WICM operates a transitional housing complex coupled with an employment program to help give people in Winnipeg's North End and inner city a place from which to heal, grow and become who God has made them to be.

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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