

Sunday March 7, 2021



**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.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Number 11:26-29

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!'

Mark 9:33-41

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of

all.’ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’

John said to him, ‘Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.’ But Jesus said, ‘Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.’

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

The organ music today is by four giants of the Baroque era, from four different countries. Antonio Vivaldi (1675-1743) was born in Venice and got his early training from his musical father. He was ordained as a priest but spent most of his career as a music instructor at a school for girls. His girls’ orchestra and choir were so successful that people came from far and wide to hear them perform at the local church. To protect the girls from the decadence and corruption of the young men, Vivaldi had them sing in the upper gallery behind a decorative screen. Today, singers throughout the world are urged to sing behind a Plexiglas screen. This is to protect the listeners from the performer, not the other way around (And I am talking about germs, not corruption!)

Vivaldi helped to develop the form of the concerto which eventually evolved into the symphony. His *Concerto Grosso in D minor* was admired by J.S. Bach who arranged it as an organ solo. We hear an arrangement of the Largo movement for our first **Prelude**.

Meanwhile, in France, François Couperin (1668-1733) was drawing crowds to the church of St. Gervais in Paris to hear his organ music. However, his main focus seems to have been the harpsichord and there are sadly only a few of his organ pieces to be played and enjoyed. The only organ pieces were composed as part of one of two mass settings. The second **Prelude** is the Benedictus from his *Mass for the Parishes*.

Meanwhile, in England, Henry Purcell (1659-1695) was tuning and repairing organs and composing some of the world's greatest music for a variety of instruments and ensembles. His early exposure to church music was of great benefit in his ability to express himself so well in many different genres. Psalm 79, v.8 was the text he used for a men's trio. An arrangement for bass **Solo** was created for today's service.

Meanwhile, in Germany, good old Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) was turning out the most amazing music which was the culmination of an endlessly fascinating era in music called the "Baroque" era.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zoom Fellowship this Monday, Mar 8 at 2:30. This month's discussion will range from "Les Mis" to a wrap up of our favourite recipe books and comfort foods. Contact Marilyn at marilyntrudeau@hotmail.com for the link. All are welcome!

Online Opportunities for Worship, Study and Fellowship during Lent:

1) St. Andrew's Winter Tuesday Evenings 7pm

Once a week until March 23, we will explore the gospel through the themes and characters of Hugo's masterpiece, Les Misérables –

grace (Valjean),	revolution ("les amis"),
justice (Javert),	love (Marius & Cosette),
poverty (Fantine),	hope (the garden)

You are invited to read the novel or see a film or musical rendition. Check out our website for details on free editions, or to borrow a DVD from the church. (<https://www.standrewskingston.org/winter-study-series-les-miserables/>). Send an email to Andrew for Zoom link!

2) Joint Bible Study Wednesday Evening 7-9pm

With members of St Andrew's, St. James and St. Paul's Sydenham (Anglican), St Mark's (Lutheran), Chalmers and Sydenham Street (United), you are invited to evenings led by Bill Morrow, Professor Emeritus of the Queen's School of Theology, exploring the Gospel in selected hard passages of Genesis

March 10 The Sacrifice of Isaac (Genesis 22)

March 17 Does God Reward Tricksters? (Genesis 28)

March 24 General Discussion

Zoom link and study materials available at:
<https://stjameskingston.ca/lenten-series/> Each evening will begin with a short vesper service in the tradition of the host congregation.

3) Joint Lenten Worship

St. Andrew's is joining with other congregations to offer a series of services by the sponsoring community of faith: recordings found at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWRIJZoKQxFCskoV_GI_xQQAs
Maundy Thursday, April 1

with St. Mark's Lutheran and Chalmers United

Good Friday April 2

all congregations with St. Andrew's Presbyterian, Faith United

Easter Vigil Sunday April 3

with St. James Anglican and Sydenham Street United

Sunday after Easter Lessons and Carols - April 11 with all churches

Bi làidir (Scots Gaelic for 'Be Strong')

This is a weekly suggestion area of how you or someone you know can Be Strong during these interesting times we are living ...

Nourish yourself Take time to eat and hydrate adequately. Be mindful of foods you choose and how much water you drink. Limit caffeine. Notice and enjoy your meals and snacks.

That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil—this is the gift of God. – Ecclesiastes 3:13

There is a phone number for older adults to call if you are feeling lonely or just need to hear a friendly voice. 1-855-892-9992. Trained volunteers are waiting to answer your call 24 hours a day.

Interviews with Candidates for Moderator

The Rev. Mary Fontaine: raised at Mistawasis Nehiywak, Saskatchewan, founder of Hummingbird Ministries Vancouver.

The Rev. Paulette Brown: raised in Jamaica, minister of St. Andrew's Humber Heights Toronto.

The Rev. Dr. Daniel Scott: minister at St. John's Bradford and associate professor at Tyndale University.

<https://presbyterian.ca/2021/01/21/ballot-for-moderator-of-the-2021-general-assembly/>

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

Cantor: Christopher H

Bell Ringer: David H

Ushers today: Janet P., Anne-Marie G., Alberta S.

March 14: Rory W., Susanne C-J, Andy V.

Financial Review to Feb. 28, 2021	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings	\$48,200	\$51,901

Staying Connected During the Pandemic



Serving Palestinians in Gaza, Jerusalem, the West Bank, Jordan and Lebanon since 1948, the work of the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) in health care, education and food security is essential. When COVID-19 struck, DSPR Director, Dr.

Bernard Sabella, knew they needed the support of their friends. DSPR invited partners to attend five webinars to learn and understand the economic and political challenges, and to hear from people working on the ground. Partners were asked to fund the webinars, and International Ministries was one of the first to respond. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing have supported DSPR since 2011 in their ministry of maintaining human dignity and hope for Palestinian refugees.

In 2021, members of St. Andrew's Kingston have committed to a goal of contributing the sum of \$29,819 to support a witness together through Presbyterians Sharing

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