

Sunday May 30, 2021



The Trinity - Georgy Kurasov (Russia) 1992

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	Festal March	G.F. Handel
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Living Faith:	Chapter 1: God	
Scripture Lessons	Psalm 133 Acts 2:37-47	Kathleen H.
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Meditative Music	Prayer	Handel
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Benediction		
Choral Amen		
Postlude	Fanfare (from <i>Water Music</i>)	Handel

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

RESPONSIVE READING

Living Faith Chapter One: God

There is one true God
whom to know is life eternal,
whom to serve is joy and peace.

**God created all that is.
The whole universe testifies
to the majesty and power of its Maker.**

God has come to us.
The Lord spoke to the people of Israel
and entered into covenant with them.
From Israel came Jesus Christ,
the Son of God,
bringing salvation through a new covenant
entered by faith.

**The Lord continues to come to us by the Holy Spirit,
God present in the world,
and Guide to the church, the new Israel.**

The church upholds and defends the truth
given to the apostle
and recorded in the Scriptures.
The Old and New Testaments
witness to God's mighty acts.

**They reveal the Creator's holy love,
and lead us to Jesus Christ**

The creeds of the early church
preserve the faith of the apostles
who first preached the Gospel of Christ.

**We receive them as a legacy
in which the true interpretation of the Scriptures
is protected.**

Therefore, with the one church universal
we believe in one God, eternal Trinity,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

three in one,
one in three,
equal in power and glory.

**God is the Father to whom we come,
the Son through whom we come,
the Spirit by whom we come.**

We worship almighty God, the source of all life.
With thanks we acknowledge
God's wisdom, power, faithfulness, and love.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is
when kindred live together in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes.
It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion.
For there the Lord ordained his blessing,
life for evermore.

Acts 2:37-47

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them,

saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Going Forward Together: An Opportunity to Join the Conversation

The Presbytery of Kingston has spent considerable time in the past few months in discussions around the concerns and challenges facing the Presbytery today. Much of these discussions have centered around innovative ways to address these challenges and “be the church” in our time, for our congregations.

Recently, the Presbytery held a Zoom webinar convened by John Peter Smit, Regional Minister for Congregational Health. He presented an informative and interesting review that shed light on where we find ourselves today as Christians. The workshops to follow will explore the idea of Collaborative Ministry.

There is a sense of excitement and encouragement, knowing that we can be stronger together. In what ways is St. Andrew's, Kingston able to share our strengths and resources across the Presbytery and wider community? How might we benefit from the resources, knowledge and skills of others? Where is God leading us?

Peter T, Doug Y, and I invite you to attend a Zoom meeting on

Saturday, June 5 from 10 –noon when we will share a recording of the webinar to give you some context to the conversations that will be ongoing:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87318379578?pwd=SzFUTXBxb3NrYnZsWEw3QjVXUXVoZz09>

We also invite you to join the conversation on **Thursday, June 10, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm** for your considered response and input. Contact Elaine C (elainecoderre@hotmail.ca) for additional information.

General Assembly June 6-9

The theme the 2021 assembly is “Do not fear, I am with you.” Commissioners from across Canada will be gathering for the first time online. There is a rotation that offers congregational representation once every five years or so, and this is the year for St. Andrew’s, Kingston! Both your representative elder - Elaine Coderre - and your Minister will be participating. Everyone can read in advance all the reports being considered. Go to:

<https://assembly.presbyterian.ca/#/hub> (then 'Committees' tab on top, then select the Committee report of interest). Everyone can also follow the proceedings live either at:

<https://assembly.presbyterian.ca/#/sessionsync>

or by subscribing to the live streamed video feed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/presvideo>

Congregational Meetings: Update and Announcement

At the May 16th congregational meeting, members approved in principle dedicating the manse as a mission project to provide safe and affordable housing to independent adults of low income, awaiting additional information before a final decision is made. Another online congregational meeting has been called for after the service on Sunday, June 13, to receive the 2020 financial statements, which will be distributed early in June, as well as a report with recommendations from the Planned Giving Task Group.

Our Daily Bread

A batch of 10 large print copies of Our Daily Bread (July, August, September) landed in the church mailbox last week. Let Lori-Kim at the office know if you would like a copy set aside or delivered to you.

A Sunday Afternoon Drive?

We are all feeling a wee bit ‘confined’. How about going on a virtual Sunday afternoon drive? Would you like to see a former home or school or church, or have a view from along the 1000 Islands Parkway, or visit a particular lock, or pay your respects at a family cemetery plot? Elaine Coderre is offering to drive to a destination selected by you anywhere within 100 kilometres, and take some photos, and drop them off at your door. Contact Elaine at 613-389-4813 or elainecoderre@hotmail.com

Bi làidir (Scots Gaelic for Be Strong)

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

Laughter is the best medicine. Find what makes you laugh. When you’re laughing, you don’t have time to be stressed out. And, don’t take yourself too seriously.

“Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, ‘The Lord has done great things for them.’” Psalm 126:2

Did you know that, 24 hours a day, there is a phone number for older adults to call if you are feeling lonely or just need to hear a friendly voice? Someone is always available at: 1-855-892-9992.

St. Andrew’s Circle of Prayer

Members of our congregation are requesting prayers for themselves, their families and neighbours, and for our world. Would you be willing to be part of a circle of prayerful support? You would a) receive a list of prayer requests once a week by email or phone b) keep this information in confidence c) dedicate a time of prayer for those named over the next week. This initiative of the Prayer Team has been approved and is being commended by the Elders of St. Andrew’s. Dorothy M has offered to co-ordinate. Please contact Dorothy to join the Circle of Prayer or with any questions 613-767-2835 dotmessenger@gmail.com

Looking for a Clerk of Presbytery

The Presbytery of Kingston is seeking a new Clerk. This position would be ideal for someone who has general knowledge of the governance of the church, computer skills and a reliable internet connection. It would require regular attention to correspondence but is usually quite manageable and flexible, and is accompanied by a monthly honorarium of \$550. If you are interested, please ask for a copy of the Position Description - lorikim@standrewskingston.org Applications are due by May 31, and the position would normally commence July.

Doctrine of Discovery

You are invited to view a video produced by the Anglican Church of Canada, exploring our need to reconcile and rebuild relationships with Canada's Indigenous Peoples. It is available for viewing anytime at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQwkB1hn5E8>

Reflection from the Moderator: The Gift of Vaccination

The Rev. Amanda Currie writes about her experience and response to being vaccinated, highlighting the 'Love My Neighbour Project'. <https://presbyterian.ca/2021/05/06/reflection-from-the-moderator-the-gift-of-vaccination/>

Forthcoming Services

Sunday June 6 – The Lord's Supper

Sunday June 13 – Congregational Meeting

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry M
Cantor: Christopher H
Videographer: Benjamin V

Financial Review to Apr. 30, 2021	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings	\$76,258.65	\$87,104.65
Designated Mission	\$6,166.67	\$6,850.00

Worship Resources to Do God's Work



Healing and Reconciliation Sunday is a day for solemn reflection and prayer for the Indigenous children who attended residential schools and the people who are living with its legacy. Resources to help worship leaders develop services to

honour its commitment to reconciliation are available on the PCC website at presbyterian.ca/worship. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing have helped build this comprehensive library of worship resources, providing congregations with free materials (seasonal, inter-generational, ecumenical, etc.) to do God's work throughout the year.

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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