# Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021



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# 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** Offertoire in E flat Théodore Dubois

Entry of the Bible Call to Worship

Metrical Psalm As longs the hart for flowing streams, 25

so longs my soul for you, O God

Prayer of Approach The Lord's Prayer

**Greetings & Announcements** 

**Hymn** Come, let us sing to the Lord our song 412

we have stood silently for too long

Scripture Lessons Exodus 17:1-17 Greg M.

Responsive Psalm 95:1-7

John 4:5-15

**Solo** The Hidden Stream T. Troeger/J. Kuzma

**Sermon** Water in the Wilderness

**Hymn** As water to the thirsty, 688

as beauty to the eyes

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession** 

**Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow

**Hymn** We cannot own the sunlit sky, 717

the moon, the wild flowers growing

Benediction

**Choral Amen** 

**Postlude** Grand Chorus in B flat Théodore Dubois

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

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Exodus 17:1-17

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?'

But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses,

'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.'

Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Choose some men for us and go out; fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.'

So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed; and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands grew weary; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; so his hands were steady until the sun set. And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the sword. Then the Lord said to Moses,

'Write this as a reminder in a book and recite it in the hearing of Joshua: I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.'

And Moses built an altar and called it, The Lord is my banner. He said, 'A hand upon the banner of the Lord! The Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.'

# Responsive Psalm 95:1-7

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great Ruler above all gods.

The depths of the earth are in the hands of God;

the heights of the mountains are God's also.

The sea belongs to God, for God made it,

for God's hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God,

and we are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of God's hand.

#### John 4:5-15

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her,

'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her,

'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her,

'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.'

The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

## **Prayer for Sister Water**

by Cathal Duddy, after St. Francis of Assisi "Canticle of the Creatures".

We praise and thank You, Lord, for the gift of living water.

Guide us

to use it wisely,
learn from its humility,
consume it sparingly,
and protect its purity,
so that with St. Francis,
we may truly
enjoy water
Amen.

#### Solo

#### The Hidden Stream

The hidden stream that feeds
our daily acts of care
Springs forth in worship when Christ leads
the church in song and prayer,
Lord, through our lives may others hear
your living waters drawing near.

The stream runs clear and deep and tastes of heaven's skies,
And where its ceaseless currents sweep, flows life that never dies.
Lord, through our lives may others hear your living waters drawing near.
A heart of stone and dust, of withered hopes and dreams,
Becomes a spring of faith and trust by drinking from these streams.
Lord, through our lives may others hear your living waters drawing near.

We leave this watered place to work on rocky ground, Yet even there the streams of grace sustain our daily round. Lord, through our lives may others hear your living waters drawing near.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Guest Minister**

We extend a warm welcome to Reverend Stephen Kendall, Principal Clerk of the PCC General Assembly, to lead our service this Sunday.

#### **Singing and Praying Mid-Week**

A new opportunity at St. Andrew's. Twice a month, you are invited to a time of songs and prayers in the tradition of the Taizé community, led by Susanne C-J, with singing support by Wendy L-P. 7:30-8:00pm (eastern) August 25, September 8, 22. The zoom room will open at 7:25pm for gathering in silence.

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/82464811989

Meeting ID: 824 6481 1989

#### August at St. Andrew's

For August, the church office will be closed. Calls on Tuesdays and Wednesdays will still be answered, and Lori-Kim will be in the office on Thursday morning to print the bulletin. If you need to get into the church, please contact Glen Mercer at 343-364-3250 (Mon-Thurs 8:30-1:30). In case of pastoral emergency, please contact David Holland, Clerk of Session at david@standrewskingston.org (613-536-5396). Next week we welcome the Rev. Paul Kern to lead us in worship.

#### SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry M.

Cantor: Christopher H.

**Livestreaming:** Benjamin dO-V, Julilee S.

**Ushers today:** Susanne C-J, Anne-Marie and Philippe G.

August 29: Elaine and Pat C., Rory W.

Financial Review to June 30, 2021	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings and Presbyterians Sharing	\$115, 029.98	\$124, 947
Special Missions		\$14, 057

# Haiti, Afghanistan and PWS&D





PWS&D has a long history of support for development and relief programs in Afghanistan. For the last 20 years, we have responded to urgent food needs, supported girls' education, and maternal and child health projects to help improve livelihoods in the country. We are in regular contact with our partner with the hope that projects can still be implemented under these new conditions.

PWS&D is also in contact with its partners in Haiti, where, in the early morning of August 14, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake hit the southern peninsula of the country. Access to communication, food, water, transportation and electricity is critically difficult. Exacerbating the humanitarian crisis, Tropical Storm Grace hit the island two days later. All of this comes in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and the turmoil that followed the recent assassination of Haiti's president.

Please join us in praying for safety and security for the people of Afghanistan and Haiti, as well as our staff and partners working there in these very difficult and uncertain times. You can also visit www.presbyterian.ca/pwsd/ for more information, and ways to give.

In 2021, through offerings designated "Mission", members of St. Andrew's Kingston have a goal of contributing \$4,550 to the work of Christ through PWS&D.

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