

Sunday October 31, 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

Preludes	Ein Feste Burg ist unser Gott	J.G. Walther
	Ein Feste Burg (Fughette)	J. Pachelbel
	Ein Feste Burg (Fantasie)	M. Praetorius
Entry of the Bible		
Call to Worship		
Hymn	To God be the glory who great things has done!	350
Prayer of Approach		
The Lord's Prayer		
Greetings & Announcements		
Minute for Stewardship 4		Rory W.
Hymn	Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light	773
Scripture Lessons	Isaiah 43:1-3a Psalm 69:1-3, 13-18 Luke 8:22-25	Wilson Eyong
Duet	Will Your Anchor Hold?	Owens/Kirkpatrick
Sermon	The Storm of Life	Wilson Eyong
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Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession and Dedication		
Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow	
Hymn	A mighty fortress is our God ... whose reign will last forever	315
Benediction and Choral Amen		
Postlude	Overture	A. Lloyd-Webber

Please wait for the ushers to indicate the time for your pew to leave, starting from the back to the front of the sanctuary.

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 LESSONS

Isaiah 43:1-3a

But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Psalm 69:1-3; 13-18

Save me, O God,
for the waters have risen up to my neck.
**I am sinking in deep mire,
and there is no firm ground for my feet.**
I have come into deep waters,
and the torrent washes over me.
**I have grown weary with my crying;
my throat is inflamed;
my eyes have failed from looking for my God.**
But as for me, this is my prayer to you,
at the time you have set, O Lord:
**“In your great mercy, O God,
answer me with your unfailing help.**

Save me from the mire;
do not let me sink;

**let me be rescued from those who hate me
and out of the deep waters.**

Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,
neither let the deep swallow me up;

do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.

Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind;
in your great compassion, turn to me.”

**“Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.**

Draw near to me and redeem me;
because of my enemies deliver me.

Luke 8:22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, ‘Let us go across to the other side of the lake.’ So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, ‘Master, Master, we are perishing!’

And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, ‘Where is your faith?’ They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?’

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

I wish I could go back in time and listen to Martin Luther himself perform his hymn *Ein Feste Burg ist unser Gott*, composed around 1521. He might have played the tune on a flute or played some accompaniment on the lute. Luther recognized the importance of music in worship. He wrote: “I truly desire that all Christians would love and regard as worthy the lovely gift of music... Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in this world.” The text of his famous hymn is based on Psalm 46. The tune he might have crafted from an established church chant or folksong. Luther’s original form of the tune is played before the **Preludes**. Did it really

swing like that in Luther's day? Although the original appears as an alternative in our Book of Praise (#316), I find it difficult to imagine performing it without drums and tambourine. Over the years, the rhythm has been "tamed" a bit, but it was a clear inspiration to not only J.S. Bach but many others such as Michael Praetorius (1571-1621), Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706), Johann Walther (1684-1748) and.

Author Priscilla Jane Owens (1828-1899) and composer William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921) lived in the United States and separately created many hymns. *Will your anchor hold* is probably their best known collaboration.

Gaston Laroux (1868-1927) was an author of detective fiction, probably France's answer to England's Arthur Conan Doyle. He made note of an actual terrible accident in a Paris opera house where the counterweight for a large chandelier suddenly gave way and sent the chandelier crashing into the audience, killing one and injuring many. It happened that this building was built on top of a large underground pool of water and also there were rumours, as in many theatres, of a ghost in the building. All of this inspired him to create in 1910 the famous novel *Le Fantôme de l'Opéra* which with the help of actor Lon Chaney Sr. in the silent film and composer Andrew Lloyd Webber in the musical, has become one of the great spooky stories in the literature. This is a story about human frailty and not the supernatural so I hope that you will forgive me for playing something intended to be entertaining and not necessarily inspiring. I don't quite understand why we, especially children, love to be scared, but on this Hallowe'en day, Lloyd Webber's music certainly helps set the stage.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Wilson Eyong who will be offering the sermon at our service this morning. Originally from Cameroon, Wilson was forced to leave the country in 2000 due to political instability. He lived in the Republic of Ireland until recently relocating here to Canada to study at Presbyterian College, Montréal. Welcome Wilson!

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are a gift from Dixie and Murray D., and we thank them for this splash of colour.

St. Andrew's Manse

At a well attended online and in-sanctuary meeting last Sunday, the congregation approved in principle offering the St. Andrew's manse to be used to provide second phase housing for seven individuals through Ryandale Transitional Housing. Please remember in prayer the co-ordinating team as discussions continue towards this community outreach of the congregation.

Opportunities Within the Congregation

Imago Dei

This Thursday, November 4, 4:30 p.m. Contemplative reading, prayer & community in Christ. Led by Dorothy Messenger. All welcome on Zoom. For details, dotmessenger@gmail.com

Special Meals

Since Special Meals has been paused for a year, the church has been holding aside all funds specifically directed to this programme. Further donations will continue to be held separately from the general fund until a final decision regarding Special Meals is made. If you have been donating directly to Special Meals through PAR and would like to reallocate those funds, please contact Candace at candace@standrewskingston.org

Election of New Elders

If you haven't already done so, please submit your nominations for elders, as today is the deadline. Together, the Elders are entrusted with encouraging and overseeing the worship, programmes, fellowship and outreach of the congregation. Please consider this prayerfully. Additional nomination forms are available at the back of the church this morning.

Autumn Tuesday Evenings

Our autumn study began this past week, Tuesday Oct. 26, and continue until Nov. 16. We will focus on DVD presentations by Gary Thomas entitled 'Sacred Pathways' that explore nine different ways to grow in relationship with God. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82534049838?pwd=ZncvR1cvQWFRN1RYSzlpZFNEZFhjUTog>

Serving within the Congregation

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? Please contact Dorothy to join the Circle of Prayer or with any questions 613-767-2835 dotmessenger@gmail.com

Connections to the Community

Furthering Reconciliation

Last call for The Great Lakes St. Lawrence Region biennial conference on Zoom, this week: Nov. 6 & 7; 12:30-4:00 pm. Keynote speaker: Chief Dave Mowat, Alderville First Nations. Choice of Sunday workshops, including a virtual "Blanket Exercise". To register, visit:

<https://secure.kairosCanada.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=7800&qid=1806752>

Phone From Home

The Seniors Association of Kingston has put together a series of fun programmes which you can access from home, by phone!! No computer necessary! Sessions are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the month of November, and there is no cost involved. See the poster by the door on your way out, or call 613-548.7810 ext.238 for more details and to register.

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry M.
Cantors: Andy P., Meghan H.
Livestreaming: Benjamin dO-V., Julilee S.
Ushers today: Rory W., Elaine & Pat C.
November 7: Elders

Financial Review to September 30, 2021	Estimated	Received
General Offerings		
and Presbyterians Sharing	\$167, 511	\$173, 063
Special Mission Projects	\$13, 875	\$18,437

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- Spiritual formation and character development fostered within a vital community of faith and learning.
- The development of competencies and leadership skills for transformational leadership.

This mission and history is rooted in a dynamic and diverse faith-based community in affiliation with McGill University, Laval University, and L'Institut de Théologie pour la Francophonie. As a college in the Reformed tradition, they live out a generous orthodoxy and welcome scholars and students from a variety of denominational backgrounds from around the world. As a Canadian Christian College, they are also a Seminary of The Presbyterian Church in Canada.



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