# Sunday November 21, 2021



Elisha and the Shunammite woman. Jim MacDonald. 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.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Preludes	Consolation 1 and 4	Franz Liszt	
<b>Entry of the Bibl</b>	e		
Call to Worship			
Metrical Psalm	I love the Lord because my God has heard my voice, my prayer		76
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#### Time with Children

# Scripture Lessons 2 Kings 4:8-10

Psalm 116:1-9 1 Peter 4:8-11

**Sermon** Stewards of the Manifold Grace of God

doing good for all

Jim MacDonald, Presbyterian Church in Canada

**Hymn** Take my life and let it be 637

consecrated, Lord, to thee

# Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication

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

**Hymn** Called as partners in Christ's service, 587

called to ministries of grace

#### **Benediction and Choral Amen**

**Postlude** Prelude in F major

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.

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**

#### 2 Kings 4:8-10

One day Elisha was passing through Shunem, where a wealthy woman lived, who urged him to have a meal. So whenever he passed that way, he would stop there for a meal. She said to her husband,

'Look, I am sure that this man who regularly passes our way is a holy man of God. Let us make a small roof chamber with walls, and put there for him a bed, a table, a chair, and a lamp, so that he can stay there whenever he comes to us.'

#### Psalm 116:1-9

I love the Lord

who has heard the voice of my supplication,

who has listened to me whenever I called.

The cords of death entangled me;

the grip of the grave took hold of me;

I came to grief and sorrow.

Then I called upon the name of the Lord:

"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

The Lord watches over the innocent; I was brought very low, and the Lord helped me.

Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has treated you well.

For you, O Lord, have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

#### 1 Peter 4:8-11

Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

#### NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Last week the service concluded with the Prelude and Fugue on B.A.C.H. by Franz Liszt, considered one of his best compositions for organ. I thought I would play a bit more of the music composed by this rather complex man. Much more is known about the life of Liszt than that of Bach. Both were outstanding musicians in their own way: Bach mainly in his service for the church and things spiritual; Liszt mainly as an entertainer in the concert hall.

Liszt (1811-1886) was Hungarian, the son of a gifted musician. He began giving concerts at an early age and in time toured extensively throughout Europe. Although his great virtuosity made some think, as they did with violinist Paganini, that he must be possessed by the devil, Liszt was however, a great philanthropist and for a time, took refuge in a monastery. His personal life was a bit messy and it did not allow him to become a priest, but he became a member of what is known today as the Secular Franciscan Order. He became an Abbé and gave many concerts for charity. He gave piano lessons to many and did not charge for them. He gave generously of his time to many composers and with his adventurous use of new harmonies and tonalities, influenced composers such as Debussy who became part of a new era in music, the Impressionistic Period.

Liszt had an interesting collection of keyboard instruments including one which was a combined organ and piano. The demands he made of the pianos used for concerts, encouraged piano makers to improve their instruments. Words of praise from Liszt became the ultimate endorsement for piano makers.

One of Liszt's pupils was Stephan Thomán who taught a brilliant young man named Paul de Marky. De Marky emigrated from Hungary to Canada in 1924 where he became a popular concert performer in Montreal. He passed on his fabulous technique to a few select pianists including one Oscar Peterson. Ever wonder where Oscar acquired his incredible facility at the keyboard? It goes back to Franz Liszt.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This morning we extend a warm welcome to Jim MacDonald who will be participating in the service and then conducting a workshop on Planned Giving immediately afterwards. Jim is the Development Manager for Stewardship & Planned Giving for the Presbyterian Church in Canada, a part-time Master of Divinity student at Knox College, and an elder at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Vaughan ON. The livestream will continue after the Postlude, so those at home can hear his presentation as well.

#### **Opportunities Within the Congregation**

# Autumn Tuesday Evenings, 7-8pm

Our study concludes on Nov. 23. We have been studying DVD presentations by Gary Thomas entitled 'Sacred Pathways' that explore nine different ways to grow in relationship with God. Zoom link: https://usozweb.zoom.us/j/82534049838?pwd=ZncvR1cvQWFRN1RYSzlpZFNEZFhjUTo9

#### Mid-Week Worship

This Wednesday, November 24, 7:30 p.m. A time of song and prayer in the tradition of the Taizé community, led by Susanne Cliff-Jüngling and Wendy Luella-Perkins. https://usozweb.zoom.us/j/82464811989

#### Sixth Annual St. Andrew's Day Social, Online!

Tuesday November 30. You will have to prepare the tea and shortbread at home, but we will again together enjoy an hour of things related to St. Andrew and St. Andrew's. This year contributions will include: reflections on a visit to the Isle of Iona, highland dancing by Rob Roy troop, poetry and song, and connections between the Netherlands and Scotland. The video will be available at <a href="https://www.standrewskingston.org">www.standrewskingston.org</a> the morning of November 30, so log on anytime and enjoy! And wear some tartan if you can!

#### Days of December newsletter

Andrew is composing the newest "Days of" newsletter. If you have an announcement you would like included, please contact him by Wednesday morning.

#### **Envelopes**

Envelopes for 2022 are available and will be on a table outside after the service for the next few Sunday mornings, weather permitting. If you are new to the congregation and would like a set of offering envelopes for 2022 or a form to contribute by PAR (pre-authorized remittances), please contact our book keeper, Candace Gomes candace@standrewskingston.org or call her at the church office: Monday-Wednesday 1-4 p.m. 613-546-6316.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com">dotmessenger@gmail.com</a>

#### **Upcoming services**

#### **Advent**

Hard to believe, but our journey to Christmas begins again next Sunday, November 28. Through the season we will be exploring some of the hymns that have set the gospel to music and encouraged us along the way. First off, 'Lo, Christ comes with clouds descending' (Charles Wesley). We will also have the opportunity to support the 'Giving Tree' with an offering to a special mission project that will be represented on the tree in the sanctuary with a dedication ball.

#### Communion

As is our custom on the first Sunday of each month, we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper December 5.

#### **Connections to the Community**

#### The Mess - With Hands and Heart

A first for this wonderful community that calls Gill Hall home – an online auction! November 19-28. All items are handmade and original: knitting, baking, wooden crafts, pottery, jewelry, crafts, paintings ... also gift baskets, theatre tickets, performance vouchers and so on. The Mess invites you to partner with them by doing a bit of holiday shopping! Here is the link to the Bidding Owl auction site (just click on the green box 'View Items'):

The Mess - Online Auction

(https://www.biddingowl.com/TheMessStudio)

#### **Prayer**

Giving God, we are grateful for each person who has taught us about generosity, for each one who has left a legacy for us to enjoy—family, friends, teachers, role models, people in our faith community. Help us to be generous with what we have, as we consider the legacy of faith, hope and resources that we want to leave for future generations.

(PCC, November 2021)

## **SERVING THIS MORNING**

Beadle: Larry Moore Cantor: Paul Payne

Flowers: Contributed by Barb & Al Zabel

**Livestreaming:** Benjamin den Otter-Versteeg, Julilee Stitt

**Ushers today:** Dorothy Messenger, Alberta & David Saunders

November 28: David & Susan Holland, John Sanger

Financial Review to October 31	2021 Total Budget	Received
General Offerings		
and Presbyterians Sharing	\$235,000	\$191,094
Special Mission Projects	\$18,500	\$20,179

# **Protecting Children in Malawi**



Ten-year-old Joseph lives with his family in northern Malawi. One day, Joseph showed up to school, not quite himself. His friends noticed and asked what was wrong. "My father and mother shout at each other and fight almost every week. Sometimes my father calls us bad names and chases us out of the house at night, for no reason," he said. His

friends, who had learned about children's rights and what support was available to them, urged him to speak to a Child Protection Worker. The Child Protection Worker understood the economic challenges that were exacerbating the abuse and connected the family with resources to address them. Together, the family is using what they have learned to build a more peaceful home. This project is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.

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

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