

Sunday April 23, 2023



*He is not here!
He has risen*



Art by the Sunday School Children of St. Andrew's

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.

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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

Responsive Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

serve the Lord with gladness

and come into the divine presence with a song.

Know this: the Lord, the Lord, is God;

the One who made us and to whom we belong;

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

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving;

go into these courts with praise;

give thanks to God and call upon the name of the Lord.

For the Lord is good, whose steadfast love is everlasting;

and whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Matthew 18:1-6; 19:13-15

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, 'Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?' He called a child, whom he put among them, and said,

'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were fastened around your neck and you were drowned in the depth of the sea.'

Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; but Jesus said,

‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’ And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

3 John 1:2-8

Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul. I was overjoyed when some of the friends arrived and testified to your faithfulness to the truth, namely, how you walk in the truth. I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

Beloved, you do faithfully whatever you do for the friends, even though they are strangers to you; they have testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on in a manner worthy of God; for they began their journey for the sake of Christ, accepting no support from non-believers. Therefore we ought to support such people, so that we may become co-workers with the truth.

Philippians 2:1-4; 14-15

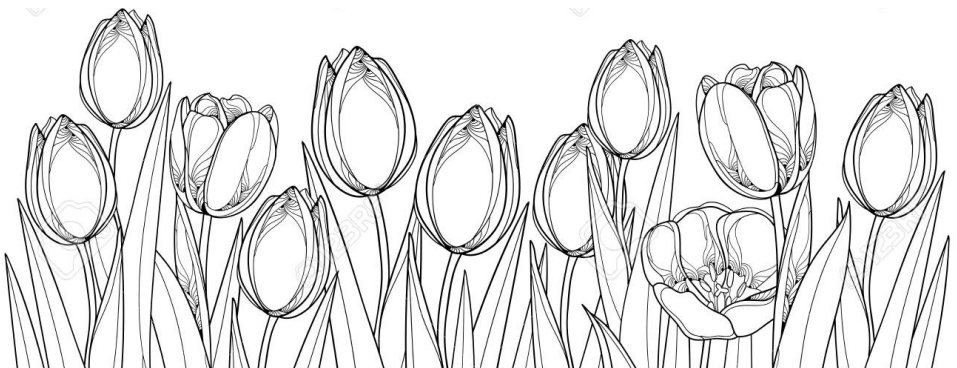
If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world.

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

Today's music is a happy mixture of German, French and Dutch. The first **Prelude** is by Bach's cousin and gifted church musician, Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748). It is based on the German chorale "Straf Mich Dich" from a Dresden collection of hymns of 1694. The second **Prelude** is by the great French composer Jean François D'Andrieu (1682-1738) and is based on the French tune "O Filii et Filiae" of 1623. D'Andrieu also composed today's **Postlude**.

Another great French Easter tune is our first **Hymn**, 256. The tune is an old French carol "Noel Nouvelet". The delightful words by J.M.C.Crum (1872-1958) are a celebration of Spring and Easter. Haven't we enjoyed watching the grass green up and grow this week!

It is interesting to trace the spread in popularity of the Anthem "This Joyful Eastertide". First of all, we can thank the Dutch for the origin of this happy carol. It was first published in Amsterdam in David's Psalmen of 1685 and the tune accompanied the words "How groot die Vreuchten zijh". The tune thus acquired the name "Vreuchten", as we see in Hymn #259. In England, George Woodward (1848-1934) made a translation in 1894 and the 4-part harmony was established later by Charles Wood. The carol first appeared in Canada in the United Church hymn book of 1930, and today is slowly gaining popularity in the United States. American organist Ronald Arnatt (b.1930) made the arrangement which the choir sings today.



Anthem – This Joyful Eastertide

This joyful Eastertide
away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
has sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, who once was slain,
ne'er burst his three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain:
but now hath Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen;
Death's flood has lost its chill
since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver.
My flesh in hope shall rest
and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west
shall wake the dead in number.

Translation: George Woodward

Tune: Vruuchten

Arrangement: Ronald Arnatt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this week, both in person and online! We are happy to have you with us, and hope you find the service meaningful and satisfying.

Welcome to the World!

Congratulations and love from the congregation to the Hall family on the birth of Oliver Bunsie-St-Onge, on Sunday, April 16th. Oliver is the son of Meghan Hall and Jeremy Bunsie-St-Onge, and brother of Emery. All are well!

St. Andrew's S.T.A.Y.S

St. Andrew's STAYS – Social Time After Your Service! We are back to having social time after church, so anyone who would like to help in any way, please check in with Susanne and let her know. You can just bake, or just host the social hour without baking, or help with washing up afterwards. There's a job for everyone! We have a sign-up sheet in St. Andrew's Hall – you can write down what Sunday you would like to help and in what ways you will contribute. Then stay and socialize!

Renovations

During the first 2 weeks of May, the church office and minister's study are getting some necessary repairs and improvements, namely new paint and flooring. To facilitate this work, and accommodate moving furniture etc., the office will be closed from May 1-12. The phone will be monitored, and bulletins printed. We appreciate your patience and understanding and look forward to the refresh!

Upcoming Worship Leaders

April 30 – Julielee Stitt

May 7 & 14 – The Revs. Paul and Heather Kern

May 21 – The Rev. Marianne Emig-Carr (Interim Moderator)

Pastoral Care

If anyone needs Pastoral Care during this time of transition, please contact either Nancy Hancock at (h) 613-546-4951 (c) 613-893-3683 or Dorothy Messenger at (h) 613-767-2835 (c) 902-830-0692.

Three Thank Yous

- 1) Phyllis Hume sent 2 cards to the church thanking all for supporting her during surgery and recovery. They are on the bulletin.
- 2) Mark Kotchapaw sent an email thanking the congregation for inviting him to speak here last week. He enjoyed meeting and speaking with many of us after the service.
- 3) The congregation is grateful to Lloyd next door at the Manse who voluntarily cleaned up the vacant, grassy space around our shared buildings. It was quite a job and makes a big difference. In appreciation we brought over some treats for a coffee break.

Remembering the Rev. Dr. Karen Bach (1946-2023)

After a rich life of service, and a prolonged struggle with cancer, The Rev. Dr. Karen Bach died at home on April 13, 2023. Celebration of life will be at Perth Road United Church on Saturday, April 29, 11:00. Her obituary is at: <https://www.frontenacnews.ca/obituaries/item/16422-the-rev-dr-karen-sue-bach-nee-kennedy>

Remembering Dr. Pauline Brown (1925-2023)

“After a long and rich life of 97 years, a faithful ministry as a nurse in rural India and a brief illness, Dr. Pauline Brown died in her adopted and beloved hometown of Jobat, India, on the morning of Saturday, April 1.” Pauline has a long connection with St. Andrew’s, Kingston and she worshipped here every time she was on furlough. Her obituary is at: <https://presbyterian.ca/2023/04/01/remembering-and-dr-pauline-brown-1925-2023/>

Masks

Masking is one layer of protection against respiratory illness. To reduce the risk of getting sick, you may want to continue wearing a mask in indoor settings. If you would like one, masks are available at the back of the church.

RECURRING ACTIVITIES AT ST. ANDREW’S

Sunday School and Nursery: Sundays after Children’s Time

Choir: Thursdays, 7:30, St. Andrew’s Hall mjchall@telusplanet.net

Taizé services: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 7:30, sanctuary
<https://zoom.us/j/82464811989#:~:text=https%3A//us02.web.zoom.us/j/82464811989>

Bible Study: Last Thursday of the month, 1:30, by zoom.
lorikim@standrewskingston.org

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE AND REACH OUT

Circle of Prayer

This team of St. Andrew’s members is ready to add their prayers to yours. If you would like to join our circle, or if you have a prayer request

(confidentiality assured), please contact our co-ordinator Dorothy at dotmessenger@gmail.com

Food Basket

Remembering neighbours in need, we have resumed collecting foodstuffs for distribution through the Partners In Mission food bank. You are invited to bring a contribution on Sunday mornings.

The Mess Studio Music & Sweets

Final notice: The Mess Studio is holding a spring fundraiser concert, with dessert, this Thursday, April 27, 7-9 pm, at City Christian Centre, 1287 Woodbine Rd. Musical guest is Savannah Shea. Tickets are \$15 and available from the church office.

Earth Week 2023: Together for the Love of Creation

Kairos Canada has organized 2 webinars to reflect on how our faith compels us to seek climate justice:

1) Addressing environmental Racism in Canada. Tuesday, April 25, 7-9 pm. For more information, and to register, visit:

<https://presbyterian.ca/justice/social-action/ecological-justice/addressing-environmental-racism/>

2) Spirit-led: An interfaith call to Climate Action. Sunday, April 30, 4-5:30 pm. For more information, and to register, visit:

<https://secure.kairoscanada.org/civcrm/event/register?reset=1&id=324&cid=0>

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry
Livestreaming: Christopher
Flowers: Various contributors
Ushers this week: John, Rory
Ushers April 30: Holly, David

Financial Review to March 31, 2023	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings	\$57,187	\$40,684
Missions	\$4,875	\$4,553



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When we give to Presbyterians Sharing, we express our faith. We proclaim God's love, hope and grace through the words we use, the decisions we make and the actions we take.

The General Assembly, composed of roughly 272 people, determines the budget and direction for how we will continue Christ's ministry together in the world. An additional 240 people serving on 34 committees, subcommittees and working groups collaborate to discern what God is calling us to do and be.

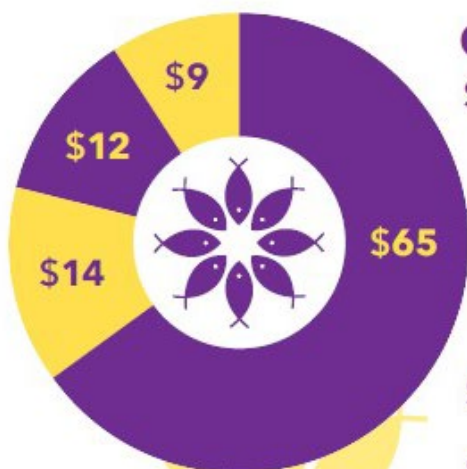
Gifts gathered in congregations across Canada are sent in faith that God will use them to transform lives. Committees, working groups and staff collaborate to develop educational resources, share information and guidelines, lead conferences and webinars, provide coaching and mentoring, write letters to governments, reflect theologically and participate in ministry programs.

God does remarkable things with the gifts we give. While we will never meet most of the people supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, we know God is at work in all of our lives.



For we are God's servants, working together.

I Corinthians 3:9a



Out of every \$100

- \$65** equips ministries in Canada by: providing grants for congregations, camps, theological colleges and other ministries, producing educational resources, hosting webinars and events and supporting governance and justice work
- \$14** accompanies mission partnerships across the globe
- \$12** supports ministries with Indigenous people
- \$9** stewards gifts

Pray

Pray for congregations, presbyteries, leaders, international partners, and ministries with children, youth and Indigenous people as we continue to love and serve one another.

Act

Add your voice to advocacy efforts. Volunteer to serve on a committee or working group. Write letters to community leaders and local, provincial and federal governments on human rights, climate change and healing and reconciliation. (See templates at presbyterian.ca/justice/social-action). Participate in an online webinar or conference. Share your experiences in our newspaper.

Give

Donate through your congregation, online at presbyterian.ca/donate/sharing or by mailing a cheque. Learn how gifts of securities, life insurance plans, charitable gift annuities and bequests can support ministry at presbyterian.ca/waystogive.



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Mission Moment – Farming Assistance



In Malawi, poor, overused soil and low rainfall have made it difficult for Elena to farm her fields. As a single mother, Elena is the breadwinner of her family. A healthy crop yield is essential to her livelihood and being able to provide for them, so Elena decided to participate in a Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported project, which taught farmers agriculture techniques to conserve and improve their soil and better retain moisture. “My yields

improved immediately in the second season. I plan to extend the cultivation area with the manure application and hope to have a good crop stand. This will increase access to food for my family and to financial resources to cater to other basic household needs,” said Elena. Today, she teaches fellow farmers in her community about the benefits of conservation agriculture.



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In 2023, through offerings designated “Mission”, members of St. Andrew’s Kingston have a goal of contributing

\$4515 to the work of Christ through PWS&D.

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