

Sunday September 3 2023



The Miraculous Fishing. Giuseppe Cominetti. 1922

**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 Haudonosaunee peoples.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Preludes	In My Homeland	E. Grieg
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Entry of the Bible

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Prayer of Adoration and Confession

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The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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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



The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalms 19

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord.

**One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,
their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world.

**In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun;
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

**The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.**

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

**The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**

More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

**By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.**

Who can tell how often they offend?

Cleanse me from my secret faults.

**Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in your sight;

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Jonah 4

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said,

‘O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.’

And the LORD said,

‘Is it right for you to be angry?’

Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said,

‘It is better for me to die than to live.’

But God said to Jonah,

‘Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?’

And he said,

‘Yes, angry enough to die.’

Then the LORD said,

‘You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?’

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon,

‘Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.’

Simon answered,

‘Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.’

When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying,

‘Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!’

For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon,

‘Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.’

When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Special Announcement on Issuing a Call for Ministry

1) Preaching for the Call

Notice is hereby given that the Session of St. Andrew's, upon recommendation of the Search Committee, has extended an Invitation to a candidate to Preach for the Call. This will take place on Sunday, 24 September, 2023. While privacy issues restrict us from publishing the name of the candidate, if you would like to know their name, please contact your elder or the church office.

2) Congregational Meeting

Immediately following the service on September 24, there will be a congregational meeting to vote on accepting the Call candidate as minister to the congregation. According to the regulations of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, to cast a vote, you must be a member in good standing at St. Andrew's, and be present at the meeting. Should the majority vote to accept the candidate, then the next order of business is to collect signatures from the congregation to affirm the vote. To this end, at the meeting, and continuing in the week following, elders will circulate a document for members and adherents to sign, showing that they agree with the decision to accept the new minister. If you have any questions about the process, or would like to come to the service and will need a ride, please contact you elder, or the church office. Enormous thanks go out to the Search Committee for their hard work and diligence throughout this challenging process of discerning God's plan for our congregation.

3) Meet and Greet

Everyone associated with St. Andrew's is invited to an informal gathering on Saturday, September 23rd, in the church hall. This time of fellowship will enable as many people as possible to meet the candidate, introduce themselves, and have a wee chat, so that they're a more familiar face when leading our service the following day. Details to follow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this week, in person and online. We are happy that you're here, and hope you find the service meaningful and satisfying. Welcome and thank you to the Rev. Dr. Paul Kern for once again leading our worship. We are so grateful for his presence and support this past year. Thanks also to Paul and Dave for contributing to our worship today.

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.

Upcoming Worship Leaders

September 3 & 10 – The Revs. Paul and Heather Kern

September 17 – The Rev. Dr. Malcolm Sinclair

September 24 – Preach for the Call

October 1 & 8 – The Revs. Paul and Heather Kern

October 15 – TBD

October 22 – Julielee Stitt

Our Daily Bread

The new season of Our Daily Bread is available now. The small print edition is for Sept-Nov, while the large print is for Oct-Dec. Both are available at the back of the church. Or call the office to reserve a copy.

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 collect non-perishable food for distribution through the Partners In Mission food bank. You are invited to bring a contribution on Sunday mornings. PIM has noticed an increase in need in our community and are very grateful for the weekly donations from our congregation.

Online Fall Studies

Once again, Presbyterian College, Montreal, is offering 2 online Bible Studies. Contact the office if you are interested.

1) Faith and Work – Thursdays, Oct. 5– Nov. 2, 7:00-8:30 p.m

What does your Christian faith have to do with your work week? Does God desire your work to just be about making money? Can faith provide meaning and change the way we work? This study explores such questions by examining theological and practical understandings of work. After defining the challenge and problems of work today, we will explore what our faith and the Bible have to say about work. We will learn about work in relation to creation, salvation, and God's coming Kingdom and then consider how this can transform our careers and workweeks. Registration is \$55/person, or \$200 for a group of 4+

2) Meeting the Messiah – Wednesdays, Nov. 1-29, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

The Gospel of Mark has been called the "action movie gospel" due to its fast pace and direct style. It was written for Christian believers living in a tumultuous world. The Roman army was oppressing the people of Palestine, Christians were being persecuted, new people were claiming divine authority to lead, and many people were confused about how to find their way in a changing society. This study will introduce us to the background, key themes, and message of the Gospel of Mark, and will help us think about what it means to be a faithful follower of Christ in our own changing world. Themes include: understanding Jesus and his significance, the "political Jesus," the use of parables and miracles, a resurrection story like no other, and much else. Registration fee is \$90/person, or \$200 for a group of 4+

Financial Review to August 31, 2023	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings	\$143,478	\$125,378
Missions (July 31)	\$9,750	\$8,552

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry M
Livestreaming: Christopher H
Flowers: Various contributors
Ushers this week: Philippe G, Andy V
Ushers Sept 17: John S, Rory W

A Prayer for after Communion

Bless the Lord, O my soul;
and all that is within me,
bless God's holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits.

~Ps. 103:1-2

Loving God, we thank you
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
in your eternal realm.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

~from the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Mission Moment – Green Pastures Hospital, Nepal



Parbati Damai lives in Nepal with a spinal cord injury she endured after falling down a hill three years ago. During that time, her family took her to the local hospital for emergency treatment, where she underwent multiple surgeries and started using a wheelchair. However, with her husband and sons working during the day, she was often left at

home in her wheelchair for 10 to 14 hours daily, causing pressure sores to develop on her body. Parbati's local health facility couldn't provide her with the help she needed, so they referred her to the Green Pastures Hospital for further treatment. There, with the support of PWS&D's partner, she received treatment and counselling free of charge. Parbati hopes to complete her treatment and return home soon.



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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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