

**The Induction of the Rev. Barry Carr
To St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kingston
November 19, 2023**



**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

Reading of the Edict

Musical Prelude

Processional Hymn Christ you call us all to service 585

Call to worship

There are varieties of gifts,

but the same Spirit;

There are varieties of service,

but the same Lord;

There are varieties of activities;

but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

To each one is given a gift by the Spirit.

to use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

and individually members of it.

Special Music Come, Holy Ghost T. Attwood

Prayers of approach, adoration, confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn Spirit of God, descend upon my heart 382

Scripture Lessons Ezekiel 1:26-3:3 Elaine Coderre

Romans 10:14-16

Prayer for Understanding:

Hymn Spirit, Spirit of gentleness 399

Sermon “How Beautiful are the Feet of Those Who Bring the Good News”

The Rev. Henna Kim

Affirmation of faith

(Apostles’ Creed or sections of Living Faith)

The offering

The offering is designated for the ongoing work of the Presbytery of Kingston

Prayer of dedication

Special Music Praise God, Ye Christians, All together

D. Buxtehude

The induction

Narration of steps

Ordination Questions for the Rev. Barry Carr and the congregation:

Do you believe in God the Father, made known in his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom the Holy Spirit witnesses in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Do you accept the subordinate standards of this church, promising to uphold its doctrine under the continual illumination and correction of the Holy Spirit speaking in the Scriptures?

Do you accept the government of this church by sessions, presbyteries, synods and General Assemblies, and do you promise to share in and submit yourself to all lawful oversight therein, and to follow no divisive course but to seek the peace and unity of Christ among your people and throughout the Holy Catholic Church?

Do you promise in the strength and grace of the Lord Jesus Christ to conduct yourself in your private and public life as becomes his gospel, and do you give yourself diligently and cheerfully to the service of Christ's word, sacraments and discipline, for the furtherance of his reconciling mission in the world?

May the Lord bless you and give you grace to fulfill these vows.

Amen

I would ask that the members and adherents of St. Andrew's stand. The induction of a minister is the beginning of a new partnership in service to God. Therefore, I ask you these questions as you renew your commitment to this shared ministry.

Do you confess anew your faith in one God who is creator and ruler of the universe, who came to us in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, and who remains present among us through the power of the Holy Spirit?

We do.

Do you receive the Rev. Barry Carr to be your minister as from Christ?

We do

Will you give of your substance as the Lord prospers you, for the maintenance of the Christian ministry and the furtherance of the gospel in this place and throughout the world?

We will

Do you pledge yourselves to be co-servants with NAME under Christ, sharing in the worship of the church, offering support through prayers and friendship, announcing the gospel to the world by the power of the holy Spirit?

We do.

May the Lord bless you and give you grace to fulfil these vows.

Amen

Induction Prayer

The Right Hand of Fellowship

Signing The Formula

Charge

Hymn

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

589

Benediction – The Rev. Barry Carr

Postlude

Highland Cathedral

Roever & Korb

** Thanks to trumpeter Kenny Hammond and piper Eric McCracken*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Ezekiel 1:26-3:3

And above the dome over their heads there was something like a throne, in appearance like sapphire; and seated above the likeness of a throne was something that seemed like a human form. Upwards from what appeared like the loins I saw something like gleaming amber, something that looked like fire enclosed all round; and downwards from what looked like the loins I saw something that looked like fire, and there was a splendour all round. Like the bow in a cloud on a rainy day, such was the appearance of the splendour all round. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord.

When I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them. And you, O mortal, do not be afraid of them, and do not be afraid of their words, though briars and thorns surround you and you live among scorpions; do not be afraid of their words, and do not be dismayed at their looks, for they are a rebellious house. You shall speak my words to them, whether they hear or refuse to hear; for they are a rebellious house.

But you, mortal, hear what I say to you; do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you. I looked, and a hand was stretched out to me, and a written scroll was in it. He spread it before me; it had writing on the front and on the back, and written on it were words of lamentation and mourning and woe. He said to me, O mortal, eat what is offered to you; eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel. So I opened my mouth, and he gave me the scroll to eat. He said to me, Mortal, eat this scroll that I give you and fill your stomach with it. Then I ate it; and in my mouth it was as sweet as honey.

Romans 10:14-16

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!' But not all have obeyed the good news; for Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our message?'

Anthem – Come Holy Ghost

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:
Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life and fire of love;

Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight:
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thomas Attwood
16th century

HYMNS

#585 – Christ you call us all to service

Christ, you call us all to service,
call us all who follow You;
plant in us a deep commitment
all your work and will to do.
Fire a passion for your justice,
in us kindle love of peace;
help us heal the broken-hearted,
to the captive bring release.

Teach us how to work together,
brother, sister, side by side,
equal partners in the struggle,
in the cause of truth allied.
To each one some gift is given,
man or woman, young or old;
help us use each skill and talent
Your great purpose to unfold.

Let us be a servant people,
reconciling, ending strife,
seeking ways more just of sharing
and of ordering human life.
Fill us with a glowing vision
of this world as it should be;
send us forth to change that vision
into blest reality.

#382 – Spirit of God, descend upon my heart

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth; through all its pulses move.
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dreams, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel messenger, no opening skies,
but take the dimness of my soul away.
Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind;
I see thy cross, there teach my heart to cling:
oh let me seek thee and oh let me find.

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to face the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame:
the baptism of the heaven descended Dove,
my heart an altar and thy love the flame.

#399 – Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters;
you called to the deep;
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep,
and over the aeons you called to each thing:
wake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings. (**Refrain**)

You swept through the desert,
you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land,
and when they were blinded
with their idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets
to open their eyes. (**Refrain**)

You sang in a stable;
you cried from a hill;
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still,
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people
on the rush of the wind. (**Refrain**)

You call from tomorrow;
you break ancient schemes;
from the bondage of sorrow
the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes,
with bold new decisions
your people arise. (**Refrain**)

#589 – God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

God the Spirit, guide and guardian,
wind-spiced flame and hovering dove,
breath of life and voice of prophets,
sign of blessing, power of love:
give to those who lead your people
fresh anointing of your grace;
send them forth as bold apostles
to your Church in every place.

Christ our Saviour, Sovereign, Shepherd,
Word-made-flesh, Love crucified,
teacher, healer, suffering Servant,
friend of sinners, foe of pride:
in your tending may all pastors
learn and live a Shepherd's care;
grant them courage and compassion
shown through word and deed and prayer.

Great Creator, Life-bestower,
Truth beyond all thought's recall,
fount of wisdom, womb of mercy,
giving and forgiving all:
as you know our strength and weakness,
so may those the Church exalts
oversee her life steadfastly
yet not overlook her faults.

Triune God, mysterious Being,
undivided and diverse,
deeper than our minds can fathom,
greater than our creeds rehearse:
help us in our varied callings
your full image to proclaim,
that our ministries uniting
may give glory to your Name.

