Sunday, February 4, 2024



Icon of Christ Healing Peter's Mother-in-law. Visoki Dečani Monastery Church, Kosovo

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 Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ Samuel Scheidt Capriccio J.P. Sweelinck **Entry of the Bible Welcome and Announcements** Call to Worship God has invited us to come. So we gather. God has spoken to the world. So we listen. God has given us glimpses of grace and mercy. So we wait, longing for healing, eager for hope. God has been faithful to all generations. So we offer our praise to God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer I'll praise my maker while I've breath Hymn 105 **Prayer of Adoration and Confession** Words of Assurance Scripture Lessons Psalm 147:1-11 Margaret Mark 1:29-39 Music Ministry Let us break bread together arr. F.R.C. Clarke "Serving Love" Message Invitation to the Offering **Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow 830 **Dedication of Offering** Hymn Oh, I know the Lord's laid his hands on me 579 Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Invitation **Apostle's Creed** (see next page)

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive, see next page)

The Lord's Prayer (see next page)

Words of Institution
Sharing the Meal

Prayer after Communion

Hymn Brother, sister, let me serve you

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Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude Toccata Frescobaldi

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.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Lord be with you;

and also with you.

Lift up your hearts;

we lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our calling and our greatest joy... (minister continues prayer)... and so we join our voices with those from every time and place, to proclaim your glory in the unending hymn: (sung response #829 in the Book of Praise)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We praise you and give you thanks... (minister continues prayer)... and to proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

God of all the ages past... (minister continues prayer)... who taught us when we pray together to say:

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.

And 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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen!



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 147:1-11

Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God!

How pleasant it is to honour God with praise!

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem and gathers the exiles of Israel.

The Lord heals the broken hearted and binds up their wounds.

The Lord counts the number of stars and calls them all by their names.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; there is no limit to the wisdom of God.

The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the harp.

The Lord covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth,

making grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve humankind.

The Lord provides food for flocks and herds and for the young ravens when they cry.

The Lord is not impressed by the might of a horse and has no pleasure in human strength,

but finds pleasure in those who fear God,

in those who await the gracious favour of the Lord.

Mark 1:29-39

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with

various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Response to readings

For the word of God in Scripture For the word of God within us For the word of God around us Thanks be to God

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

We will put the music of Buxtehude to rest for now. We know that his music influenced many other composers but the question remains: what influenced the music of Buxtehude? It has been mentioned that his early life is a bit of a mystery, but we do know that his predecessor at the Marienkirche in Lübeck was Franz Tunder (1614-1667). Tunder had studied with the great Italian organist and composer Giralamo Frescobaldi (1583-1644). He was the celebrated organist of St. Peter's in Rome and helped to define many of the forms in music, particularly the "Toccata". His pupils took his musical ideas to North Germany where they eventually had their impact on J.S. Bach. You will notice that in the **Postlude**, the music is boldly but simply laid out and there is none of the fancy footwork that was used by Buxtehude.

Other composers that had their influence on the North German School included the leader of the Flemish School, Jan Peeters Sweelinck (1562-1621). He was the first to make use of the pedals as an

independent voice. His pupil Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654) did much to define the Choral Prelude and to make the organ more useful for supporting choral singing rather than just being a solo virtuoso instrument. Again, there is no fancy footwork.

Since I am writing about teacher-pupil relationships, I might mention that a pupil of Healey Willan (who composed last week's Introit) was here in Kingston for many years, influencing the making of good church music. Dr. Fred Clarke was organist at Sydenham Street United Church for over 40 years and helped to edit and compile the joint United-Anglican Hymn Book of 1962. Included in the book is his arrangement of the popular spiritual Let *Us Break Bread Together on our Knees*. Unfortunately, part of this arrangement was omitted from our Book of Praise #548. This **Anthem** and our second hymn #579 mark the beginning of Black History month when we celebrate the many contributions of those of African descent.

Anthem – Let us break bread together

Let us break bread together on our knees, let us break bread together on our knees.

(Refrain)

When I fall down on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. (Refrain)

Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. (Refrain)

Words & Music: traditional Spiritual Arrangement: F.R.C. Clarke

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.

Finance Meeting

There will be a meeting for members of the Finance Committee, Session and Trustees, on Tuesday, February 6th at 1:00 pm in the church hall to review the budget prior to the Annual Meeting.

Other Financial Information

Income tax receipts are available in the narthex. Please pick up yours this week, and save the church a stamp!

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting this year will be held immediately following the service on March 3rd, in St. Andrew's Hall. Reports will be available by Sunday, 18 February. After reading the report, if you have questions for the finance committee please submit them, in writing, by 25 February, as no finance questions will be taken from the floor at the AGM.

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

Lent Study 2024

The Presbyterians Read selection this Lent invites us to reflect on the work of 14th Century mystic, Julian of Norwich, using Lisa E. Dunhill's **40-Day Journey with Julian of Norwich,** and led by the Rev. Dr. Emily Bisset. The book itself is available at most bookshops, while all the other information can be found here:https://presbyterian.ca/canadian-ministries/presbyterians-read/

Scripture Readers

Seeking Scripture readers for 2024. If you would like to participate, please sign the roster at the back of the church.

Pastoral Visits

If you would like to have a visit from Rev. Carr, please sign the form at the back of the sanctuary, and indicate the best way to reach you.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR WINTER 2024

Sunday School – a multi-grade class, each Sunday immediately after Children's Time. We also have a nursery for infants and pre-schoolers, staffed by a certified ECE.

Choir – Thursdays 7:00 pm, St. Andrew's Hall, mjchall@telusplanet.net

Imago Dei – A gathering to read Scripture, discuss, study and spend time in contemplative prayer. 1st Thursday monthly, 4:30-5:30. Contact: dotmessenger@gmail.com

Prayer in Song – A meditative ecumenical gathering of singing and prayer in the Taizé tradition. Last Friday of each month, 5:15-6:00 pm, in the chapel of St. Andrew's. Enter via doors on Princess St. Dates for 2024 are: Feb 23, Mar 29, Apr 26, May 31, Jun 28.

Session – 2nd Monday monthly, 7:00, St. Andrew's Hall. If you have something you would like to bring to Session, please contact your elder by the Friday before the meeting so it can be put on the agenda.

Camp lawah in the Winter

To encourage us to savour the wonder of winter and get active outdoors, Camp lawah offers two fun, family-friendly events this winter:

Great Winter Escape: Saturday 17 Feb, 10:00-3:30. Broomball, skating, tubing, toboganning, campfire & s'mores, scavenger hunt, free lunch... come enjoy all lawah has to offer during the winter. RSVP at: https://iawahfamilyretreats.campbrainregistration.com/

Family Retreat: 16-19 February. The winter family retreat takes advantage of all that camp offers during the snow season, both indoors and out. Register at: https://iawah.com/home/iawah-experiences/#family-retreat

Family Faith Event



Kingston youth shared ministry is holding its next family event, a Winter Carnival, next Sunday, February 11, 1:30-3 p.m. St. Mark's Lutheran Church. For more information, and to let them know you are coming, email

kingstonyouth21@gmail.com



Financial Review to Jan. 31, 2024	Budgeted	Received
General Offerings	\$14,461	\$13,068
Missions (to Dec 31, 2023)	\$15,000	\$23,296

SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Dennis Tysick **Livestreaming:** Christopher Hall

Flowers: Decorating Committee

Ushers today: Elders

Ushers 11 February: Eleanor MacCallum, Dorothy Messenger

Mission Moment - Positive Transformations



For decades, Presbyterian World Service & Development has faithfully dedicated itself to serving those in need across the globe. In collaboration with our valued partners, PWS&D is actively contributing to positive transformation within our global community. From responding to emergencies, to helping families and communities access nutritious food, clean water, adequate health care and quality

education, PWS&D is helping people thrive. As people of faith, we respond to Christ's call to walk with the distressed and marginalized, to work towards equality, the restoration of human dignity, peace, and care for God's creation. Together, we are working towards a sustainable, compassionate and just world.



In 2023, through offerings designated "Mission", members of St. Andrew's Kingston reached their goal of contributing \$4,515 towards

the work of PWS&D in the world.

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