

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brampton
Epiphany Preaching Schedule, 2017
Sharing the Vision

Sunday, January 8, 2017: Rev. Geoff Ross Preaching
FIRST READING: 1 John 4:7-21
SECOND READING: Acts 2:42-47
SEE AND HEAR: " "
SERMON TITLE: *"A Community loving God by loving our neighbours."*
HYMNS:
1) 698 - Saviour teach me day by day
2) 648 v1 - I'm gonna live so
3) 373 - Jesus loves me
4) 694 - This is my commandment

THEME:

As we start 2017 we will highlight and share the new Vision Statement that the Session has worked on for the past year. As a Church - the Body of Christ, the manifestation of God's grace and love on earth - our prime directive stems from the "Christ Commandment;" (Mark 12:29-31) at St. Andrew's we believe that we are to show our love for God through our love for our neighbours. This is why we are here. This is what we were created to do - just as the Acts 2 Church did 2000 years ago!

Sunday, January 15, 2017: Rev. Geoff Ross Preaching
FIRST READING: Luke 4:16
SECOND READING: Acts 13:13-44
SEE AND HEAR: " "
SERMON TITLE: *"Learning together to know God's love through worship and study."*
HYMNS:
1) 407 Praise my soul the king of heaven
2) 648 v3 - I'm gonna live so
3) 498 - Sing them over again to me
4) 410 Joyful Joyful we adore You

THEME:

Jesus worshipped - He and the disciples attended the synagogue and studied the Word discussing how to live out their lives faithfully. After Jesus' death and resurrection, the disciples - and the Acts 2 Church we heard about last week - worshiped as a New Community and held 'small groups' in people's homes to discuss God's Word. At St. Andrew's we gather to worship God for the sake of worshipping and for instruction on how to live in right relationships with God and one another and, as disciples, we continually study the Word to grow in our faith.

Sunday, January 22, 2017:

Rev. Rebekah Mitchell Preaching

FIRST READING:

John 15:12-17

SECOND READING:

James 2:14-17

SEE AND HEAR:

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SERMON TITLE:

“Putting our faith into action by loving and caring for each other.”

HYMNS:

- 1) 773 - Jesus bids us shine
- 2) 648 v2 - I'm gonna live so
- 3) 637 - Take my life and let it be
- 4) 626 - Lord of all power

THEME:

As a community that loves God by loving our neighbours we show it by putting our faith into action - it's not just a set of nice words because faith without action is dead! At St. Andrew's we do this by rolling up our sleeves to make a difference in the community in which we live and in the lives of those around us - and through our GRACE Groups.

Sunday, January 29, 2017:

Rev. Geoff Ross Preaching

FIRST READING:

John 1:35-42

SECOND READING:

Romans 12:1-8

SEE AND HEAR:

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SERMON TITLE:

“Using God's gifts to go forth to bring others to Christ.”

HYMNS:

- 1) 765 - We've a story to tell to the nations
- 2) 648 v4 - I'm gonna live so
- 3) 632 - Help us accept each other
- 4) 761 - Who's goin' to tell the story

THEME:

The final Sunday of our series on the new Vision Statement has us looking at what it means to live the 'New Life' that we have been given by God through our salvation - a life of gratitude and service. We are given gifts for a reason - to be used; not for our benefit alone but for bringing others to Christ (as Andrew did - which is why we're named after Andrew!) and to build up the Church and the Kingdom. We all have a role to play in the Church - to not use our gifts is to rob God. (Malachi 3:8-10)

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Planting Hope

Sunday, February 5, 2017: Rev. Rebekah Mitchell Preaching
FIRST READING: Luke 8:4-8
SECOND READING: Colossians 3:12-14
SEE AND HEAR: " "
SERMON TITLE: "*Planting Seeds.*"
HYMNS:
1) 778 - Lord you give the great commission
2) 674 v.1 - In the bulb there is a flower
3) 635 - Brother sister let me serve you
4) 775 - Sent forth by your blessing

THEME:

We are called to be a community that plants hope - hope for today and hope for future generations. We exist as a community of faith because of the hope planted by previous generations. If we want our children and our children's children to continue to reap the benefits of being part of a community of faith, we must plant seeds for their future today. We do this by preaching the Gospel in all that we do, all that we say. We do this by being strong in prayer and relationships. We do this by loving each other and reaching out in love beyond our doors to those in our neighbourhoods.

Sunday, February 12, 2017: Baptism/Jr Music Makers - Rev. Geoff Ross Preaching
FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 3:5-9
SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:14-16
SEE AND HEAR: " "
SERMON TITLE: "*Growing Together.*"
HYMNS:
1) 475 I am the church! You are the church!
2) 674 v2 - In the bulb there is a flower
3) 489 - Help us to help each other Lord
4) 490 God of grace and God of glory

THEME:

Paul tells his readers that it is God who provides growth. This is true - growth is evidence of God's presence and goodness. However, there are things we can do to ensure that the conditions are primed for growth. We do this by loving each other, in word and deed and through prayer. Strengthening our faith together, so we can continue to reach out in love.

SPECIAL NOTE: This is a Baptism Sunday. The Jr Music Music Makers will perform.

