



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A COMMUNITY LOVING GOD
BY LOVING OUR NEIGHBOURS

*At St. Andrew's, Brampton, we:
learn together to know God's love through worship and study;
put our faith into action by loving and caring for each other;
use God's gifts to go forth to bring others to Christ.*

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2021

Mother's Day; faith in ACTION 21

Prelude: *Lead Me, Jesus* T. Creen

(For music, click: <https://youtu.be/aPKjiIu9QWs>)

Welcome, Greeting, Announcements

Silent Prayer and the Lighting of Christ Candle

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration

See & Hear: *"Love and Compassion – both acts of faith"*

The Rite of Reconciliation:

Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession:

God of all righteousness,

**through your Word you call us to put our faith into action;
to humbly live lives of justice, kindness, and righteousness;
and to love you and our neighbours alike.**

**Yet in many ways we fail those you call us to serve,
and neglect the needs that require our attention –
leaving the work to others.**

Easter God, God of the risen Christ, we pray; forgive us.

Move us to hear your call to faith and service;

**challenge us to live up to the life you long for us –
so that we may live justly in the name of your Son. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: *Jesus' hands were kind hands* 631

(For music, click: <https://youtu.be/NOLzPGHg3hk>)

The Word Proclaimed

(For the Prayer & Readings click: <https://youtu.be/YGjvCw3r-co>)

Prayer for Illumination: (See Readings below)

**God, by your Word, challenge us to do justice, love kindness,
and walk humbly in your ways so that all that we say and do
may reflect a life lived justly through active faith. Amen.**

Primary Readings: Jeremiah 22:13-17; Psalm 82:1-8

Additional Readings: Psalm 146:1-10; Luke 18:18-25

(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: "faith in ACTION: **LIVE JUSTLY**: It All Matters" Rev. Geoff Ross

Hymn: *We are one in the Spirit* 471

(For music, click: <https://youtu.be/36yq5rm8FW4>)

Response and Thanksgiving

Offering Announcement:

Thank you for your ongoing support for the ministry of St. Andrew's through your offering – given by mail, through our PAR Program, and online. For more information about how you can give to St Andrew's click here:

<http://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate-today/>

The Offering: (sung) 661 v1

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be.

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Unison Prayer of Dedication:

Giving God, accept our offering as an act of worship:

in which we give ourselves back to You, freely, with a joyful heart, to do justice, love kindness, walk humbly, and live justly by loving and serving you and our neighbour alike. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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.

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, for ever. Amen.

Returning to Service

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Commission & Benediction

Postlude: *Trio*

J. Guilain

(For music, click: <https://youtu.be/0oUk44SaR50>)

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In Worship this Week

Minister: Rev. Geoff Ross

Lay Leader: Regan Ross

Scripture Reader: Kim Shepherd

Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman

Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

St. Andrew's "Fellowship" Zoom Sunday, May 9, 2021 at 11:30 am.

You are invited to join Rev. Geoff and others for our Zoom "Fellowship" every Sunday after the Worship Service at 11:30am.

Here is the Zoom meeting information – just click on the links below:

To join the St. Andrew's Zoom "Fellowship":

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3752656843?pwd=ZnJtb3VGZkgxZjNlWlQvQvUWVseDlpUT09>

Meeting ID: 375 265 6843 Passcode: 489011

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We hope that you will join us – it would be great to 'see' you!

Upcoming Worship Services

Sun., May 16, 2021: **LIVE JUSTLY: It's Who We Are 10:30am**

Sun., May 23, 2021: **LIVE JUSTLY: Just Living 10:30am**

This is Pentecost Sunday with Communion during the service.

Hymns for Sunday, May 9, 2021

Discipleship
631 Jesus' hands were kind hands
AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE 11 11 11 11

Unison F Dm F/A Gm/Bb Dm C9 F

1. Je - sus' hands were kind hands, do - ing good to all,
2. Take my hands, Lord Je - sus, let them work for you;

F Dm F/A Gm/Bb F/C C9 F

heal - ing pain and sick - ness, bless - ing chil - dren small,
make them strong and gen - tle, kind in all I do.

Gm /Bb D /C G/B G 7 C /Bb

wash - ing tir - ed feet, and sav - ing those who fall;
Let me watch you, Je - sus, till I'm gen - tle too,

F/A Dm F/A Gm/Bb G9/B C9 F

Je - sus' hands were kind hands, do - ing good to all.
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.

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We are one in the Spirit

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT Irregular with refrain

Fm Cm Fm

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are
 2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will
 3. We will work with each oth - er, we will
 4. All praise to the Fath - er, from

Cm Fm Bbm

one in the Lord, we are one in the
 walk hand in hand, we will walk with each
 work side by side, we will work with each
 whom all things come, and all praise to Christ

Fm Cm Fm

Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, and we
 oth - er, we will walk in the hand, and to -
 oth - er, we will work side by side, and we'll
 Je - sus, who is God's on - ly Son, and all

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Bbm Cm Fm Cm7

pray that all u - ni - ty will one day be re -
 geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our
 guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's
 praise to the Spir - it, who makes us

Fm Fm7 Db Cm

stored,
 land,
 pride,
 one,
 and they'll know we are Chris-tians by our

Fm /Eb Db Fm Fm

love, by our love, and they'll know we are

Bbm Cm Fm

Chris - tians by our love.

Readings for Sunday, May 9, 2021:

PRIMARY READING: Jeremiah 22:13-17

Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness, and his upper rooms by injustice; who makes his neighbors work for nothing, and does not give them their wages; who says, "I will build myself a spacious house with large upper rooms," and who cuts out windows for it, paneling it with cedar, and painting it with vermilion. Are you a king because you compete in cedar? Did not your father eat and drink and do justice and righteousness? Then it was well with him. He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well. Is not this to know me? says the LORD. But your eyes and heart are only on your dishonest gain, for shedding innocent blood, and for practicing oppression and violence.

PRIMARY READING: Psalm 82:1-8

A Plea for Justice / A Psalm of Asaph

God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment: "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

I say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you; nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."

Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!

ADDITIONAL READING: Psalm 146:1-10

Praise for God's Help

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom

there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

ADDITIONAL READING: Luke 18:18-25

The Rich Ruler

A certain ruler asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honor your father and mother.'" He replied, "I have kept all these since my youth." When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich. Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

faith in ACTION 21: **LIVE JUSTLY**

DO JUSTICE: LOVE MERCY: WALK HUMBLY

Throughout history, the saving work of the Church has shone brightest during the worst times. Acts 2:42-47 documents how the first Church put their faith into action by seeking to live justly according to God's laws and requirements for justice. Since then, in countless and remarkable ways, the Church has responded to wars, famines, disasters, epidemics, and pandemics as Christians lived out their faith and commitment to God's call for justice, as they sought to love and serve their neighbours. And we at St. Andrew's are likewise called to live justly, and to put our faith in action in 2021! Together we can make a difference in our community: together, let us Do Justice, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly – let us BE the church.

The faith in ACTION 21: **LIVE JUSTLY** campaign begins on Sunday, April 25th with a 5 week preaching series entitled "**LIVE JUSTLY.**"

Sunday, April 25: **faith in ACTION: LIVE JUSTLY**

Sunday, May 2: **LIVE JUSTLY:** It'll Cost You

Sunday, May 9: **LIVE JUSTLY:** It All Matters

Sunday, May 16: **LIVE JUSTLY:** It's Who We Are

Sunday, May 23: **LIVE JUSTLY:** Just Living

The faith in ACTION 21: **LIVE JUSTLY** 'Service Weekend' will be on Saturday, June 5th. Please see new information about our 'Service Projects' on the St. Andrew's Website and in the April Newsletter.

Note: Due to COVID19 all of our 'Service Projects' have been designed to follow the necessary protocols.

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Today marks the start of our annual faith in ACTION campaign! The faith in ACTION 21 theme focusses on what it means to **LIVE JUSTLY**. Using a passage from Micah, and Jesus' parable of the "judgment of the nations," our series reminds us how God calls us to **LIVE JUSTLY** by doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly in our daily life as we seek to put our faith into action by loving our neighbours. Join us each week as we explore what God requires of us as we seek to **LIVE JUSTLY**.

This is also the start of our annual faith in ACTION 21 'Service Project' campaign. This year's campaign includes several, all-new community service projects which follow all COVID-19 safety protocols. The projects are:

24 Hour Prayer

Ellen House Toiletry Kits

Bethell Hospice Virtual Hike

Gardening at St. A's

Frontline Workers Appreciation Cards

Brampton Humane Society Donations

For a full project list and sign-up details on our website, click: [Faith In ACTION Project List](#) or see the information on page 12 of the May issue of *Inside St. Andrew's*: [May 2021 Newsletter](#) .

LIVE JUSTLY

Announcements for Sunday, May 9, 2021

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church – Online!

We are glad that you chose to join us for worship today. We hope you will find our worship inspiring and our fellowship warm.

Spring Flower Sale

Please help support the Stewardship Committee's 3rd Annual Spring Flower Sale by purchasing 10-inch mixed coloured hanging baskets or 10-inch pots of caliente geraniums in a variety of colours. **Today is the final day to place your order**, with order pickup on May 26. For details & order forms, see pages 8 & 9 of the May issue of *Inside St. Andrew's*, and the St. Andrew's website.

MacGregor's North Country Meat & Seafood Annual Sale

Help support the ministries and work of St. Andrew's **by placing your order until Wednesday, May 12**. Pick up from the Church parking lot on May 20. Details & order forms are in the May issue of *Inside St. Andrew's* and on the St. Andrew's website. **Note: the Canadian Lobster Tails are not available to order for the May 20 delivery.**

It's in the mail....

By this time, you should have received an envelope from the Session containing the 2020/21 Elder Election Package. As reported in the [April Session Summary](#), at its November 2020 meeting, due to COVID, the Session voted to delay the scheduled 2020 Elder Election – for **6 new Elders** – to May 2021. **At the April meeting the Session set the dates for the election: May 2, 9, & 16th: it was also agreed that Election packages would be mailed out to all Members of St. Andrew's – as only Members are eligible to vote.**

In your Package you will find a **Cover Letter** with voting instructions, a **St. Andrew's Member List** of eligible candidates, a **Ballot Envelope** – with an enclosed **Ballot** – for every voting Member in your household, and a **pre-stamped Return Envelope** for you to mail in your Ballots. *We encourage every Member to please cast your votes for up to 6 new Elders.*

For any questions, please contact Kim Shepherd at 416-557-5001 (clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca) or Jean Bradshaw at 905-872-0272 (jeanbradshaw@rogers.com).

Five Options for Giving to St. Andrew's in 2021

1. Mail It In. Due to the current Stay-at-Home Order, **2021 envelopes will not be delivered to you at this time.** However, we encourage you to make your donations using any method listed here that you're comfortable with. Cheques (no cash, please) can be **mailed** to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 44 Church St. E., Brampton, ON L6V 1G3. The mail for St. Andrew's is being forwarded to our Clerk of Session, Kim Shepherd. **Please do not drop off cheques in the mailbox outside the Church Street entrance.**

2. Give Online. We recommend one of two **Electronic Giving options.** The first option is via the **Online Donation page** on the church website: <http://standrewsbrampton.ca/donatetoday/>. For this donation method, you will receive your tax receipt from Canada Helps, not from the Church. Please print and keep your own receipts.

3. Give by Interac e-Transfer. The second e-giving option is to go to your **bank's website or app**, select Interac e-Transfer, use the email treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca as the designation for your donation, and enter the amount you wish to donate. **It is very important that in the message area, you indicate your name, envelope number and how you want the donation distributed.**

4. Join PAR. You can sign up for PAR, our Pre Authorized Remittance plan that enables you to give in pre-arranged monthly amounts. For the PAR registration form on the church website, click here: <http://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate-today/>.

5. Want Your Offering Picked Up? Give Us a Call. You can call us to have your Envelope picked up, or to set up a time to drop it off at the Church. Contact Rev. Geoff Ross (647-524-1870) or Kim Shepherd, Clerk of Session (416-557-5001) or your Elder.



St. Andrew's Session **Meeting notes from May 2021**

WE ARE WORKING TO SERVE YOU!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Spring Hanging Baskets are back!!!

The Stewardship Committee is hosting the 3rd Spring Hanging Baskets fundraiser. The plant sale commenced Sunday, April 4th, 2021. The deadline for placing an order is Sunday, May 9th, 2021. Details of pick-up times on Wednesday, May 26th will be to be given out closer to the pick-up date. Please contact Helen Collins, Chair of Stewardship, if you would like to place an order.

Need meat for your BBQ? North County Meats for the win...

The Stewardship Committee is also hosting the North Country Meat fundraiser. North Country Meats has everything from hot dogs to chicken/beef to seafood – all in time for BBQ season. Orders will be accepted from April 9 up to and including Wednesday, May 12. Pick-up will be on Thursday, May 20. You will be notified by email or phone the time of pick-up at the church. If you have any questions, you can send an email to Macgregorsfundraiser@standrewsbrampton.ca .

GENERAL SESSION NEWS

Elder Election

At its April meeting, the Session set the last date for receiving the ballots for the election as May 16th, 2021. The Election packages were mailed to all members the last week of April. We encourage you to please cast your votes for members who are listed on the Membership List that is included in your Election Package. This is your opportunity to say who should sit on the Session, so please get your ballot in the mail as soon as possible. If you have not received your election package, or have any questions, please contact our Clerk of Session, Kim Shepherd 416-557-5001 (email: clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca) or Rev. Geoff Ross 647-524-1870 (email: geoff@standrewsbrampton.ca).

Asbestos Removal Update

At its April meeting, the Session, after hearing the recommendation from the Property Committee about the scope of the work needed, voted in favour of the quote from Power Vac – a branch of Power Environmental, a removal and disposal company that deals with environmentally hazardous material. Next, Session heard from Stan Loree – St. Andrew's new Treasurer – about St. Andrew's financial situation. After hearing both presentations, the Session voted in favour of going ahead with the removal of the asbestos in the basement. This is scheduled to take place May through June – and has already started.

The Session then voted in favour of a recommendation to fully finance this project with some of the interest revenue we received for 2020 from the unrestricted portion of our PCC Consolidated Fund investments. Since the money is released in quarterly installments, you will likely see fluctuations in our line of credit, as the bills will be paid using our Line of Credit and then cleared when the funds are released to us. We have indeed been blessed by our investments and feel that this is the best opportunity to deal with this situation.

Another thing the Session wants you to know: the parking lot will be used by the company who will be in full hazmat suits for their safety when removing the asbestos – so, don't be alarmed.

Summer Session Team is returning.

The members of the Team are: Moderator (Geoff), Clerk of the Session (Kim), Deputy Clerk (Jean), Mission (Eunice), Property (Richard) Stewardship (Anna-Marie). The Team will look at the protocols for reopening the Church, hopefully in the fall. We will also ensure that all the protocols can be quickly put in place when we reopen. It will also deal with any issues that may come up during the summer.

They are back...!!!

Hot Zone, the film company (associated with Disney Canada) has returned to do further filming. They're here from May 3rd to 6th. Over the two rentals, they paid the Church \$13,500 for the use of the premises – money that we did not budget for, a bonus you might say.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mission & Outreach Committee: Faith in ACTION is fast approaching. Mission is looking for more involvement from individuals, and committees to work on projects both on our property and within the community. If you have ideas, suggestions and/or questions, please contact Robyn Kirkpatrick, Faith in ACTION Chair. The date for dropping off things at the church is now June 5th, 2021.

Worship Committee: Since last October, Peter Shepherd has worked behind the scenes getting the technical work done, as well as sourcing the equipment needed for Sunday morning worship. The Worship Committee is looking into hiring a temporary Technician to help with Sunday morning worship and give Peter a much-needed break.

Minister's Vacation

Rev. G. Ross will be on vacation from July 19th to August 15th, 2021, and August 30th to September 5th, 2021.

Please remember to vote for our new Elders – and mail your ballots in the stamped, return addressed envelope! Every vote counts!