

St. Andrew's Session **Meeting Notes from May 2, 2022**

WE ARE WORKING TO SERVE YOU!

These COVID-19 Protocols Are Still In Place!!!

Masks are mandatory; no food or drinks are allowed in the church building; the Kitchen and Education Wing remain closed. The area around the organ and in front of the Communion Table is closed to foot traffic, and the Union Street door remains locked. Starting Sunday, May 8, all attendees will need to sign in and provide their name and phone number for contact tracing. We ask that you stand at arm's length when socializing with others. **REMINDER: Please do not attend in-person worship if you are not feeling well.**

Permission to Enter the Church

The Session has decided to dissolve the Entry Team. Permission to enter the building is no longer required, effective May 9. If you go into the building, **be sure that all outside doors remain locked.** The Property Committee controls the number of keys in circulation, so please contact Richard McMechan and/or Peter Shepherd to enquire of why you should have a key.

St. Andrew's Anniversary

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will be celebrating its 175th Birthday in October. In the coming weeks, we will put together a team to start planning and preparing for the first anniversary event in three years. If you are able to be a part of this team, please contact the Clerk of Session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS **Stewardship Committee**

The Committee is hard at work on its annual fundraisers for the spring. The last day for placing your order for Macgregors Meat & Seafood for the BBQ Season is Sunday, May 8 (today). The order deadline for the Hanging Baskets sale is now closed. This year there is also a book by Andrew McKinney. You will find the full details on these fundraisers [in the May newsletter](#) and [on the church's website](#).

Financial Update

The Quarterly Financial Report shows that the Offering is down by 9% compared to the same period in 2021, and expenses rose by \$7,000.

Worship Committee

The Committee plans to begin its search for an audiovisual assistant to Peter Shepherd in August.

Mission Committee

The Committee is hard at work organizing the faith in ACTION events that will take place in May and June. Your support is very much needed.

The Gardening Day will take place on Saturday, June 4, spearheaded by the Bhim Family. If you can help, please contact Meaghan Bhim at meaghan.bhim@gmail.com or 647-529-2446.

The Committee and WMS/Salsa will be sending out lists for donations for Ellen House and Resource Family Centre.

Do You Need to Get in Touch?

Here's an updated directory of contact names and information:

For all general information about St. Andrew's, visit the church's website at www.standrewsbrampton.ca.

Clerk of Session: Jean Bradshaw – 905-455-6573
clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca

Website Administrator: Kim Shepherd – 416-557-5001

Have You Relocated or Changed Phone Number?

Whether you're a member or adherent of St. Andrew's, if you have moved or any contact information has changed, we ask that you please let Kim Shepherd know at 416-557-5001 or by email at rollclerk@standrewsbrampton.ca so your information may be updated.

Pastoral Care

NOTE: The Rev. Wayne J. Baswick will be at the church every Thursday from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Please contact Rev. Wayne prior to Thursday to make arrangements to meet with him. If you need pastoral care from the minister, contact the Rev. Wayne J. Baswick at 905-456-1727.

Please feel free to also reach out to: Jean Bradshaw at 905-455-6573; Kim Shepherd at 416-557-5001, or the Congregational Care Team by calling Felicity Alexander at 905-791-0490.