

St. Andrew's Session **Meeting Notes from June 6, 2022**

WE ARE WORKING TO SERVE YOU!

These Protocols are still in place

Masks are mandatory; no food or drinks are allowed; 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. Attendees are asked to please continue to sign-in when entering worship.

REMINDER: Please do not attend in-person worship if you are not feeling well.

Ministers and Lay Leaders

It was unanimously agreed at Session that Ministers and Lay Leaders (Scripture Readers) may remove their masks (if they are comfortable) while speaking from either Communion Table or the Pulpit for all Worship services. Masks will be put worn while singing and away from the Communion Table and/or Pulpit.

St. Andrew's Celebrates 175 year!!!

We will be celebrating our 175th Anniversary in October, 2022. with the date to be confirmed. We are appealing for volunteers to help with the planning and set-up. Michelle Tedder will be preparing our Anniversary dinner, however we need assistance with planning, set-up and tear down of the evening. If you are able to assist with this celebration, please contact Karen Hutchinson, Chair of the Worship Committee.

Coffee Fellowship, did you say Coffee Fellowship??

Outdoor coffee fellowship is back!!! Bring your own travel mug (with your coffee/tea/hot chocolate) or water and catch up with friends and/or family in the courtyard following Worship – there will be no goodies. We hope to see you there.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Stewardship Committee: The Committee's hard work on its annual fundraisers was a success. The flower baskets and North Country Meats made approximately \$1900.00. Thank you to the members of the Committee and teams for your hard work and dedication.

Financial Update: We ask that you remember to continue to give to the many ministries of St. Andrew's, as the work of the church doesn't slow down. As we carry on with re-opening the church more, our expenses will continue to increase with all the extra protocols session feels are necessary. Currently general offerings are down 12% compared with last year (Jan. through May). You can contribute three ways:

- (a) by credit card through our website (<https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/>);
- (b) forward a cheque by mail to the church office;
- (c) our PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) plan; or
- (d) by Interac e-Transfer using 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**

Mission Committee: The Faith-in-Action Events took place during May and the first part of June. Thank you to all who participated and/or donated items or money to either Ellen House and/or Family Resource Centre.

Thank you to Paul Willoughby who oversaw a small number of volunteers planting the gardens around the church on Saturday, June 4th, 2022. The Bhim Family were unable to attend (due to the family contracting COVID), however the family had lunch delivered to everyone to enjoy.

Thank you to Robyn Kirkpatrick and the Mission Committee for once again running a successful Faith in Act!on campaign.

Changed your address or phone number

Have you moved and need your address updated? Has your phone number been changed? Have a new email address? If one of these is you please advise Kim Shepherd at rollclerk@standrewsbrampton.ca with your changes.

Pastoral Care

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick is in the church office every Thursday from 3 pm to 5 pm; if you need pastoral care please contact Rev. Baswick at 905-456-1727 to make an appointment. You may also contact the Jean Bradshaw, Clerk of Session at clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca or 905-455-6573; Kim Shepherd, Past Clerk of Session at 416-557-5001. Members of the Congregational Care Team are also willing to help you by calling Felicity Alexander at 905-791-0490.