

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, study and prayer; 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, AUGUST 7, 2022

9th Sunday after Pentecost / Communion

(* Please stand if you are able, and remain masked while singing)

Prelude: *The More We Get Together* Welcome, Greeting, Announcements Silent Prayer

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Approach to Worship

Call to Worship Prayer of Adoration

The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation and Unison Prayer of Confession: Merciful God, we confess that what we desire is not your will. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. By your grace, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your eyes, and walk in your ways, in all we say and do to the glory of your name. Amen. Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn: We praise you, O God

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The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination:(See Readings below)God of wisdom, by your Spirit, open our minds to your truth,
our hearts to your gospel, and our hands so that we can do
your will, in the name of Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.Main Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (NRSV)Readings: Is 1:1, 10-20; Ps 50:1-8, 22-23; Luke 12:32-40 (NRSV)
(The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.)Sermon: "By Faith."Rev. Geoffrey M. Ross

Response and Thanksgiving

Offering Announcement:

For more information about how you can give to St Andrew's, click here: <u>https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/</u>

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

* Communion Hymn: What does the Lord require of you 709 (3 verses, 2 times through all)

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.

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Prayer after Communion

* Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: Canto de Esperanza (Song of Hope) Hispanic folk song

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional territory of the Anishinabek (Ojibway), Huron-Wendat, and Haudenosaunee and Métis peoples.

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In Worship this Week

Minister:Rev. Geoffrey M. RossInterim Moderator:Rev. Wayne J. BaswickMusic Director:Shelagh Tyreman

Welcome Team

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Upcoming Worship Services

Join us on Facebook each Sunday at 10:30 am for our livestream services. Click: <u>St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Facebook</u>

Sunday, August **14**, **2022 10:30** *am.* 10th *Sunday after Pentecost* "God Gives Us Nothing...But the Best!" Rev. Wayne J. Baswick preaching

Sunday, August 21, 2022 10:30 am. 11th Sunday after Pentecost "What A Promise!" Rev. Wayne J. Baswick preaching

Sunday, August 28, 2022 10:30 am. 12th Sunday after Pentecost "Things Could Always Be Worse." Rev. Wayne J. Baswick preaching

Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022 10:30 am. Labour Day weekend Communion "Quenching Our Thirst." Rev. Wayne J. Baswick preaching

Hymns for Sunday, August 7, 2022:





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Readings for Sunday, August 7, 2022: (All readings are NRSV) **Main Reading:** Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 *The Meaning of Faith* Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

The Faith of Abraham

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren — because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

Reading: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 The Wickedness of Judah

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

<u>Reading</u>: Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 *The Acceptable Sacrifice* The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the

earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the

perfection of beauty, God shines forth. Our God comes and does not keep silence, before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around him. He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. "Hear, O my people, and I will speak, O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God. Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me. "Mark this, then, you who forget God, or I will tear you apart, and there will be no one to deliver. Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honor me; to those who go the right way I will show the salvation of God."

Reading: Luke 12:32-40 Do Not Worry

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Watchful Slaves

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

Announcements for Sunday, August 7, 2022

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church – Online! We're glad you chose to join us for worship today. We hope you will find our worship inspiring and our fellowship warm.

Summer Hours & Pastoral Care

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick, who remains Interim Moderator **until August 31, 2022**, will be leading worship during Rev. Geoff Ross' vacation (Aug 8 – September 5). Anyone needing pastoral care may contact him at 905-456-1727. For all other matters, please contact our Clerk of Session, Jean Bradshaw, at 905-455-6573 or <u>clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca</u>.

Appeal for Summer Donations

As we continue to enjoy the summer, the Session encourages you to remember the word and ministry of St. Andrew's. As we move forward with re-opening the church, our expenses will increase. Currently, the general offerings are down 12% compared with last year. To help with this, we ask that you make your donations to the "General Budget"; please see *Giving to St. Andrew's* for the ways to give. **Note you may now drop off your cheques in the Church St. mailbox once again.** *Thank you for giving to St Andrew's – Your donation is appreciated!*



Giving to St. Andrew's

1. Give by Interac e-Transfer: We recommend one of two **Electronic Giving options**. The first is via 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.**

2. Give Online: The second online option is via the **Online Donation page** on the church website at <u>https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/</u>. 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. Mail It In: Your 2022 Offering Envelopes cannot be delivered to you at this time. However, you may now **mail** your donation (cheques – no cash, please) directly to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at 44 Church St. E., Brampton, ON L6V 1G3. Or, if you wish, you can drop your envelope off in the **mailbox outside the Church Street entrance.** If you choose this option, and have an envelope number, please include it with your cheque.

4. Join PAR: You can sign up for PAR, our Pre Authorized Remittance plan that enables you to give in pre-arranged monthly amounts. To register for PAR, click here: https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/.

5. Have Your Offering Picked Up: If you are unable to give online, mail in or drop off your offering, you can have it picked up! For this option, please email the Clerk of Session, Jean Bradshaw, at <u>clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca</u>, or contact your Elder.

