

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023 7:30 PM

Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols Service

(* Please stand if able. Masks are not mandatory but recommended.)

Prelude: *Everywhere, Everywhere, Christmas Tonight* L. Redner

Approach to Worship

Opening Sentences: Isaiah 7:10-14

* Call to Worship: Isaiah 9:2-7 (**responsive**)

The people who walked in darkness

Have seen a great light;

Those who lived in a land of deep darkness –

On us a light has shined. A child has been given to us.

A boy has been born for us; and his name shall be called

Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,

Eternal Father, the Prince of Peace.

Joy to the world! **The Lord has come!**

Joy to the earth! **Our Saviour does reign!**

God's promise came with the sound of a baby's cry –

Came as Emmanuel **God with us.**

(All) Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing.

Prayer of Adoration

* Hymn: *Oh come, all ye faithful*

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Prayer of Approach: (**responsive**)

O God, like Mary and Joseph who obeyed your calling will,
like the shepherds who came to see what you had done:

responding to the angel's message, we are not afraid.

On this night we pray, come – **born in a stable**

Lord of lords, King of kings, come – **in the form of a baby**

God's gift of glory, come – **as Emmanuel!**

(All) Come, to us, God with us – God for us! Amen.



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.*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Advent Liturgy (See PWS&D insert below)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

* Hymn: *See amid the winter's snow* 168

Hearing the Word

Unison Prayer for Illumination: (All Readings NRSV; see below)

Christmas God, Emmanuel, come be with us and illuminate your Holy Word: That in Christ you came to dwell among us - to be with us - as Jesus, God with us, God for us! Amen.

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Carol: *The Redeemer Will Come* P. Angerman/M. Barrett

Second Reading: Luke 1:26-38

Carol: *Jesus Christ Is Born Today*

Children of St. Andrew's; arr. S. Tyreman

(For video, click here: [Jesus Christ Is Born Today](#))

Third Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

Carol: *Oh, What a Wonderful Child* G. Gilpin

Soloist: Mae MacDonald

Fourth Reading: Luke 2:1-7

Fifth Reading: Luke 2:8-20

* Hymn: *On Christmas night all Christians sing* 162

Meditation: *The Ultimate Proof!* Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

* Hymn: *Silent night* 154

Christmas Reading: John 1:1-5, 10-18 (See below)

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

Carol: *How Far is the Star?* B. Ellingboe

Response and Thanksgiving

* Offering Announcement: *For more on giving to St Andrew's, please visit: <https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/>*

* Presentation of Offering

* The Offering: (sung) 661 v 1

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:

**On the eve of Your giving Your Son to us,
what shall we offer You, Gracious God?**

A hymn? A star? Gifts? Wonder? What shall we give?

**We give ourselves - all that we are and all that we have -
in response to Your love and to Your glory. Amen.**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession (See below)

Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Departing

* Hymn: *Joy to the world* 153

Commission & Benediction: (*responsive*)

Having encountered Christ, we are sent out into the world.

Rejoicing, we are to be messengers of God's Good News!

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest!

As shepherds praised God for all they saw and heard,
we are called to announce the day of salvation and peace.

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; let earth receive its king.

Tonight, we have been blessed by the gift of God's presence.

In the child, Jesus, we behold God with us - God for us.

Hail, O ever blessed morn! Hail, redemption's happy dawn!

Sing through all Jerusalem, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *The Snow Lay on the Ground* Trad. Irish-English carol

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

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Senior Choir

Soprano

Rosalind Cammidge • Mary Louise Duncan • Susan Jess
Mae MacDonald • Brenda Stephens

Alto

Bonnie Bunkis • Pam Loree • Wilma Zinkweg

Tenor

Sandra Jackson • Ian Jess

Bass

Andy Bunkis

Leap of Faith

Bonnie Bunkis (percussion/vibraphone)
Pam Loree (violin) • Michelle Tedder (guitar)
Ruth Kelly-Boxe (organ) • Shelagh Tyreman (piano/organ)
Peter Shepherd (sound)

In Worship This Evening

Interim Moderator/Stated Supply: Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman

Senior Choir & Leap of Faith

Jesus Christ Is Born Today: Children of St. Andrew's

Candlelighters: Trina & Todd Huether

Readers: Stan Loree, Robyn Kirkpatrick,

Vanessa Gregory, Rosalind Cammidge, Bill Dewar

Duty Elder: Jean Bradshaw

Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

Worship Next Week

If you are unable to attend worship in person, please join us
for our livestreamed services: [St. Andrew's YouTube Channel](#)

Sunday, December 31, 2023 10:30 am

"Love Trumps All"

Interim Moderator/Stated Supply: Rev. Wayne J. Baswick



The Ministers, Session and Staff
of St. Andrew's
wish you and your families
a very Merry Christmas!

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Oh come, all ye faithful

ADESTE FIDELES Irregular

Descant

5. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap-py morn-ing:

G Am/G D/F# G D/F# G C G/D D (Em)

1. Oh come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant; oh
2. God of God, Light of light,
3. See how the shep-herds, sum-moned to his cra-dle,
4. Sing, choirs of an-gels, sing in ex-ul-ta-tion;
5. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap-py morn-ing;

Je-sus, to thee be all glo-ry given;

Em 6 D A D G/B D/F# G D/A A7 D

come ye, oh come ye to Beth-le-hem.
 born un-to Ma-ry, the vir-gin blest,
 leav-ing their flocks draw nigh with ho-ly fear;
 sing, all ye ci-ti-zens of heaven a-bove:
 Je-sus, to thee be glo-ry given;

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Word of the Fa-ther, now in flesh ap-pear-ing;

G/B Am 6 G Am7-6 G D/F# G Em Am/C D

come and be-hold him, born the King of an-gels:
 ve-ry God, be-got-ten, not cre-at-ed:
 we too will thith-er bend our joy-ful foot-steps:
 "Glo-ry to God in the high-est!"
 Word of the Fa-ther, now in flesh ap-pear-ing;

French

1. Peuple fidèle! Ton Seigneur t'appelle:
 c'est fête sur terre, le Christ est né.
 Viens à la crèche, voir le Roi du monde:

Refrain:
 en lui, viens reconnaître,
 en lui, viens reconnaître,
 ton Dieu, ton Sauveur!

2. Verbe, Lumière, et Splendeur du Père,
 il naît d'une mère, petit enfant;
 Dieu véritable, le Seigneur fait homme:
 Refrain:
3. Peuple, acclame, avec tous les anges,
 le Maître du monde qui vient chez nous,
 Dieu qui se donne à tous ceux qu'il aime:
 Refrain:
4. Peuple fidèle, en ce jour de fête,
 proclame la gloire de ton Seigneur.
 Dieu se fait homme; vois donc comme
 il t'aime:
 Refrain:

Latin

1. Adeste, fideles, laeti triumphantes,
 venite, venite, in Bethlehem;
 natum videte regem angelorum:

Refrain:
 Venite, adoremus,
 venite, adoremus,
 venite, adoremus
 Dominum.

2. Deum de Deo, Lumen de Lumine,
 parturit virgo mater;
 Deum verum, genitum, non factum:
 Refrain:
3. Cantet nunc hymnos chorus
 angelorum;
 cantet nunc aula caelestium:
 gloria in excelsis Deo!
 Refrain:
4. En grege relicto, humiles ad cunas
 vocati pastores appropierant;
 et nos ovanti gradu festinemus:
 Refrain:
5. Ergo qui natus die hodierna,
 Jesu, tibi sit gloria:
 Patris aeterni verbum caro factum:
 Refrain:

See amid the winter's snow

HUMILITY 7777 with refrain

Unison G Am7 Bm C (D/C) G (sus) D/F# C/E G G/D A7 D /C

1. See a - mid the win - ter's snow, born for us on earth be - low;
2. Lo, with - in a man - ger lies, he who built the star - ry skies,
3. Say, now ho - ly shep - herds, say, tell your joy - ful news to - day;
4. "As we watched at dead of night, lo, we saw a won - drous sight,
5. Sa - cred in - fant, all div - ine, of God's ten - der love the sign,

G/B G Am7 Bm C (D/C) G (D/F#) Em G/D C Dsus4 - 3 G

see, the Lamb of God ap - pears, prom - ised from e - ter - nal years.
and who, throned in height sub - lime, sits a - mid the cher - u - bim.
tell us why you left your sheep on the lone - ly moun - tain steep.
an - gels, sing - ing peace on earth, told us of the Sav - iour's birth."
for you came from high - est bliss, down to such a world as this!

Harmony G C/G G D7/F# G D G/B C G Am G/B/C D

Hail, O ev - er - bless - ed morn! Hail, re - demp - tion's hap - py dawn!

Em A7 Bm G6 A 7 D /C G/B C Am7 D6 7 G

Sing through all Je - ru - sa - lem, Christ is born in Beth - le - hem.

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On Christmas night all Christians sing

SUSSEX CAROL 888888

Unison G C/E G/D D/C G/B C6 (/E)

1. On Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing to hear the news the
2. Then why should we on earth be so sad, since our Re - deem - er
3. When sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then life and health come
4. All out of dark - ness we have light which made the an - gels

G/D D G (D7/A) G C/E D/F# G D /C

an - gels bring, on Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing to
made us glad, then why should we on earth be so sad, since
in its place; when sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then
sing this night; all out of dark - ness we have light, which

G/B Em C6 Am7 Bm D G D D/C G/B (Cmaj7)

hear the news the an - gels bring, news of great joy, news of great
our Re - deem - er made us glad, when from our sin he set us
life and health come in its place. Hea - ven and earth with joy may
made the an - gels sing this night; "Glo - ry to God," we sing a -

D (D/C) G/B C D C/E (G/D) C6 (/E) G

mirth, news of our mer - ci - ful King's birth.
free all for to gain our lib - er - ty?
sing, all for to see the new - born King.
gain now and for - ev - er - more, a - men.

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Silent night

STILLE NACHT Irregular

B♭ F7

1. Si - lent night! ho - ly night! All is calm,
2. Si - lent night! ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake
3. Si - lent night! ho - ly night! Son of God,
4. Stil - le Nacht, hei - li - ge Nacht! Al - les schläft,

B♭ E♭ B♭

all is bright round yon vir - gin moth - er and child,
at the sight: glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,
love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,
ein - sam wacht nur das trau - te hoch - hei - li - ge Paar.

E♭ B♭ F7

ho - ly in - fant so ten - der and mild, sleep in heav - en - ly
heav - en - ly hosts sing "Hal - le - lu - jah, Christ, the Sav - iour is
with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy
Hol - der Kna - be im lok - ki - gen Haar, schlaf in himm - lisch - er

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B♭ F6 7 B♭

peace; sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
born! Christ, the Sav - iour is born!"
birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.
Ruh', schlaf in himm - lisch - er Ruh'.

Hungarian

1. Csendes éj, szentséges éj!
Mindenek nyugta mély;
Nincs fenn más, csak a szent szüle pár,
Drága kisdedünk álmainál.
Szent Fiú aludjál,
Szent Fiú aludjál!
2. Csendes éj, szentséges éj!
Angyalok hangja kél;
Halld a mennyei halleluját,
Szerte zengi e drága szavát:
Krisztus megszabadít,
Krisztus megszabadít!
3. Csendes éj, Szentséges éj!
Szív örülj, higgy, remélj
Isten szent Fia hinti reád
Ajka vigaszadó mosolyát!
Krisztus megszületett,
Krisztus megszületett!

Chinese (Mandarin)

Píng ān yè! Shèng shàn yè!
Zhēn níng jìng, zhēn guāng míng,
Guāng huī huán zhào shèng mù shèng yīng,
Shèng jié yīng hái Chún zhēn kě ài,
Jìng xiǎng tiān cì ān mián,
Jìng xiǎng tiān cì ān mián.

Joy to the world

ANTIOCH 8 6 8 6 CM with repeat

D A7/E D/F# Em/G D/A A 7 D D/F# G Em

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
 2. Joy to the earth! the Sav - iour reigns: let us our
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

A 7 D (G/D D) (G/D D)

ceive its King; let eve - ry heart pre - pare him
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous -

/F# Em/G A

room and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 plains re - peat the sound-ing joy, re - peat the sound-ing
 flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his -

Tenor and bass v.1 And heaven and na-ture sing (Bass), and

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A7/C# A7 /G D/F# (aug) G A Bm Em/G D/A A 7 D

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound-ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing (Similarly for vv 2, 3 & 4)

Korean

1. Kee-pu-daw koo-joo oh-shut-neh
 mawn pek-sung maw-jaw-raw
 Ohn kyo-hweh yuh taw il-uh-naw
 Taw chawn-yawng haw-yuh-raw
 Taw chawn-yawng haw-yuh-raw
 Taw chawn-yawng chawn-yawng haw-yuh-raw
2. Koo-seh-joo tawn-seng hess-u-nee
 taw chawn-yawng haw-yuh-raw
 Ee seh-sawng-eh mawn-mool-dul-aw
 Taw hwaw-dawp haw-yuh-raw
 Taw hwaw-dawp haw-yuh-raw
 Taw hwaw-dawp hwaw-dawp haw-yuh-raw
3. Ohn seh-sawng chweh-rul saw-haw-ruh
 choo yeh-soo oh-shut-neh
 Chweh wah sul-poom moo-raw-neh-goh
 Taw koo-wun haw-shi-neh
 Taw koo-wun haw-shi-heh
 Taw koo-wun koo-wun haw-shi-neh
4. Un-heh wah chill-lee tweh-shin joo
 taw choo-gwahn haw-shi-nee
 Mahn-gook pek-sung koo-joo aw-peh
 Taw kyung-beh haw-yuh-raw
 Taw kyung-beh haw-yuh-raw
 Taw kyung-beh haw-yuh-raw
 Taw kyung-beh kyung-beh haw-yuh-raw



The Christ Candle

Voice 1: The angels sing the glory of God in the highest heavens.

Voice 2: "Be not afraid, for I bring you good news of great joy for all people. To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord... you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger. Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom God favors!" *(Luke 2)*

Voice 1: At Christmas, God speaks in signs. The baby in the manger is a sign of a new life and new governance shining in the world. Christ is born and the world is filled with the promise of hope, signs of peace, joy and the incarnation of God's love.

Voice 2: Holy are you, Source of all new life among us.

All: **Jesus Christ is the light of the world.**

Voice 2: We join with all creation in joyful praise.

All: **We light this candle because God has been made flesh and dwells among us**
(while lighting the Christ Candle)

*Sing the hymn or just the chorus of #159
O, come all ye faithful*



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As we celebrate the birth of Christ, let us remember our brothers and sisters across the globe. Your support is crucial to the success of this transformative work.

This Christmas, help to bring hope, peace, joy and love around the world, please support PWS&D.

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CHRISTMAS READING: John 1:1-5, 10-18 (NRSV)

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.

All things came into being through him,
and without him not one thing came into being.

What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it.

He was in the world,
and the world came into being through him;
yet the world did not know him.

He came to what was his own,
and his own people did not accept him.

But to all who received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of God,
who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh
or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us,
and we have seen his glory,
the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

(John testified to him and cried out,
"This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me
ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'")

From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.
The law indeed was given through Moses;
grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

No one has ever seen God.

It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart,
who has made him known.

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

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION:

Gracious God, on this Holy night
your Son, our Saviour, was born a human child.
Born to give the world hope.

All: For your grace, we give you thanks.

On this Holy night heaven's Son came down to earth,
Left sapphire throne for flesh and bone,
Entering a world in need of God's presence and peace.

All: For your love, God for us, we give you thanks.

On this Holy night Mary and Joseph,
and the baby Jesus found shelter in a stable.
Bless our homes and all whom we know with joy.

All: For your Son, born to be with us, we give you thanks.

On this Holy night your Christ
came as a light shining in the darkness.

Approach and comfort us by the light of your eternal love.

All: Come God within us, bring to us your presence.

On this Holy night shepherds heard your glad tidings:
May this Good News change our lives, giving us the grace
to live the Gospel of Christ in all that we do.

All: Come Lord Jesus, Son of God, promise fulfilled.

On this Holy night
Christians the world over are celebrating His birth.
Open our hearts that He may be born in us today.

All: Come awaited Holy Child, transform our world.

On this Holy night Jesus entered into this world,
revealing for us the extent of your love and grace:
move us to reach out to those you call us to love.

All: Come, rule the world with grace and truth.

On this Holy night when heaven and earth
worshipped at the manger throne, we pray
receive the prayers we have offered through
Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray saying...

LORD'S PRAYER: (*Debts/Debtors*)

Announcements for Sunday, December 24, 2023

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

We're glad you chose to join us for worship this evening! Please take your bulletins and communion cup with you after worship and put them in the Great Hall recycling bins. St. Andrew's is a scent-free zone; for the health and comfort of those with allergies, please refrain from wearing perfumed products when in the building. *Have a very merry Christmas!*

Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick will not be available to meet in the Vestry on Wednesday, December 27. However, he can be reached 24/7 at 905-451-1723 ext. 22 or 905-456-1727.

Church Office Hours This Week

The Office Administrator, Valerie Barrett, will be in the office on Wednesday, December 27 and Thursday, December 28. All announcements for the bulletin are due Wednesday morning.

Food Bank

The St. Andrew's Food Bank will be closed on Wednesday, December 27 and will reopen on Wednesday, January 3.



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 <https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/>. 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: You may **mail** your donation (cheques - no cash, please) directly to: Envelope Secretary, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 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 clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca, or you may contact your Elder. **If you would like offering envelopes**, please speak to Valerie Martin or Kim Shepherd, our Envelope Secretaries.

