

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, JANUARY 28, 2024

Epiphany 4 • Seasonal Colour: Green

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

Prelude: *Let Us Praise*Welcome, Greeting, Announcements
Silent Prayer

- trad. Cameroon

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship Prayer of Adoration See & Hear

(The children are invited to head off to Sunday School.)

* Hymn: Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult

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The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Unison Prayer of Confession:

We confess, Lord, that sometimes we fail by making individual decisions, and sometimes we fail by going along with the decisions of others.

Sometimes we fail by speaking out, and other times we fail by saying nothing.

Sometimes we fail by doing things we ought not to do – the sin of commission – and sometimes we fail by not doing the things we ought to do – the sin of omission.

Pardon us, Lord God, for both our positive and negative sins,

and restore us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: Faith for the Battle

- E. Rush/B. Nix

The Word Proclaimed

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

The secret things belong unto the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed through and in Your Word belong to us and to our children forever. May Your revealed Word be the Word we put into action in our daily walk. Amen.

Scripture Lesson: Genesis 22:1-19

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 62:1-8 (See below for responses)

Additional Scriptures: Luke 16:19-31; Hebrews 11:17-19

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

Sermon: A Profile of the Patriarchs: (2) Sacrifice of Isaac –

No Greater Sacrifice Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

* Hymn: *Make me a channel of your peace* 740

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)

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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:

Eternal God, source of refuge and trust, our days are filled with Your abiding presence. We awaken with the dawn of new life. We labour with assurance that You bless the work of our hands. We sleep at peace in the promise of Your protection and care. All that we are and all that we do are signs of Your benevolent deliverance. Accept now the offering we bring You as the indicator of our unending devotion. 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.

* Hymn: Will you come and follow me

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen Postlude: *Lento*

: *Lento* – J. Walther

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 Today

Interim Moderator/Stated Supply: Rev. Wayne J. Baswick
Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman
Senior Choir

Reader: Lily Rhind

Duty Elders: June & Colin Young

Refreshments: Wilma Zinkweg, Gladys Wambui, Julius

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

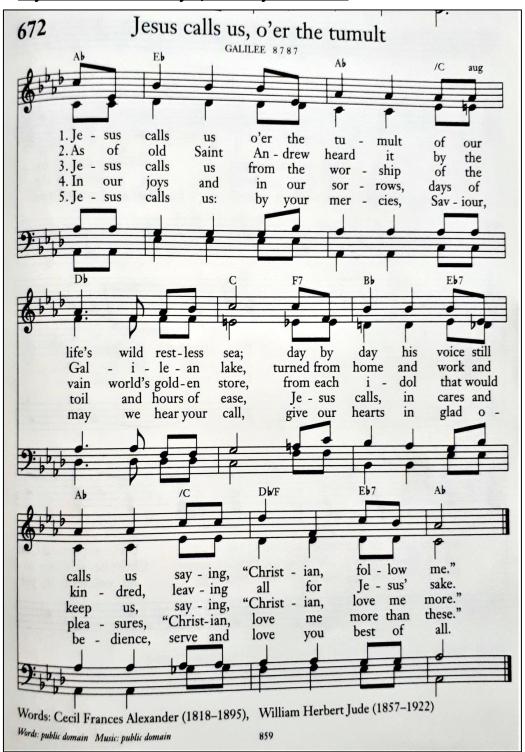
Sunday, February 4, 2024 10:30 am Epiphany 5

"A Profile of the Patriarchs: (3) Birth of Twins –

What's Your Birthright Worth?"

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Hymns for Sunday, January 28, 2024:



Announcements for Sunday, January 28, 2024

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

We're glad you chose to join us for worship today! Please take your bulletins to the Great Hall after worship and put them in the 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.

Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick is available to meet in the Vestry on Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. He can be reached 24/7 at 905-451-1723 ext. 22 or 905-456-1727.

Project Cozy



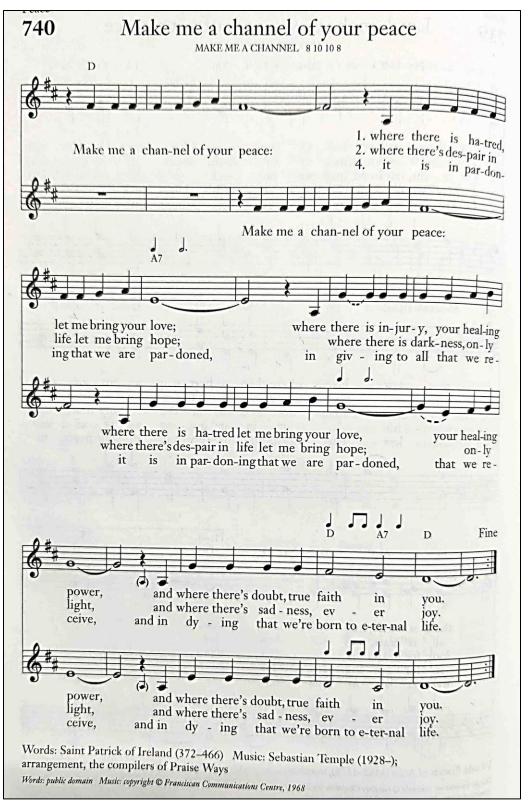
The Mission Committee is asking for donations of hats, gloves, mittens and scarves to help the unhoused people who frequent our area. Starting next week, we will package any donations received and hang them on our fence so that those living

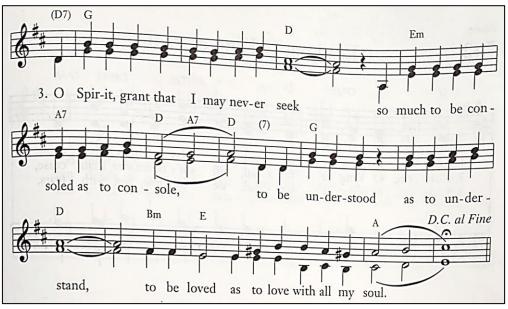
on the street may be able to keep warm. The last day to donate is Sunday, February 11. **Everyone** deserves to be warm! Thank you for your generosity.

Pancake Lunch - Sunday, February 11

A pancake lunch will be held after worship on **Sunday**, **February 11**, and we hope you will join us! <u>If you have a</u>

griddle we can borrow for that day, please email Michelle Tedder at tedderm@rogers.com or call 647-261-2066. Thank you.



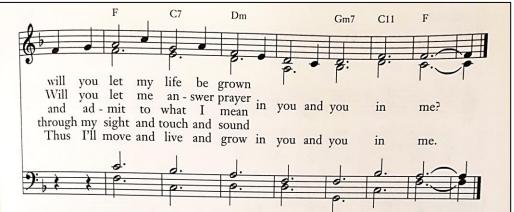


Stewardship Moment

With enough intentionality, our budget can become a sacred song.

- Rev. Tyler Sit, United Methodist pastor





Readings for Sunday, January 28, 2024:

Scripture Lesson: Genesis 22:1-19 The Testing of Abraham

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said,

'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The LORD will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.' The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, 'By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.' So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham lived at Beer-sheba.

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

Responsive Psalm: Ps 62:1-8 Confidence in God's Protection

- R: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.
- C: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall never be shaken.
- R: How long will you assail a person, will you batter your victim, all of you, as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?
- C: Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence. They take pleasure in falsehood; they bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse.
- R: For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.
- C: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
- R: On God rests my deliverance and my honour; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

All: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Additional Scripture: Luke 16:19-31 The Rich Man and Lazarus

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Additional Scripture: Hebrews 11:17-19

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He who had received the promises was ready to offer up his only son, of whom he had been told, 'It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named after you.' He considered the fact that God is able even to raise someone from the dead—and figuratively speaking, he did receive him back.

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