

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, APRIL 14, 2024

3rd Sunday of Easter • Seasonal Colour: White

(* Please stand if able. Masks are not mandatory but recommended.) (* Congregation is invited to join in with percussion.)

Prelude: *Halle, Hallelujah* + Welcome, Greeting, Announcements Silent Prayer Trad.

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration See & Hear

(The children are invited to go to Sunday School.)

* Hymn: Come to us, beloved Stranger +

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The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession: Gracious God, we confess that we often fail to recognize your presence in our lives. We get caught up in our own concerns

and fail to see your work in the world around us. Forgive us for our lack of faith and our failure to trust in your promises.

Help us to open our hearts and minds to your presence and guide us in your ways of love, mercy and justice. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord - D. Fishel (Book of Praise 260)

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination:

(See below)

Lord God, as we gather here before you on this the third Sunday of Easter, we ask that you open our hearts and minds to receive your Word with clarity and understanding. Amen. Scripture Lesson: Luke 24:13-35 (NRSV)

Responsive Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (NIV)(See below for responses)
(The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.)Additional Scriptures: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 1:17-23 (NRSV)
Sermon: "Traveller or Stranger"Kim Shepherd* Hymn: One more step along the world I go +641

Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: We Are One in the Spirit + - P. Scholtes

* 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:

Abundant God, as we offer these gifts to you, we remember how you have blessed us abundantly. Just as you walked with the two travellers on the Road to Emmaus, open our eyes to recognize you in the breaking of the bread. May these offerings be used to spread your love and grace to all those we encounter. 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: Lord, the light of your love is shining +

Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction * Choral Amen

Postlude: Go Now In Peace +

- N. Sleeth

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

Pulpit Supply: Kim Shepherd Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman Congas & Percussion: Kennedy Jackson Senior Choir Scripture Reader: Kennedy Jackson Duty Elder: Michelle Tedder Refreshment Volunteer: Michelle Tedder Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

Worship Next Week

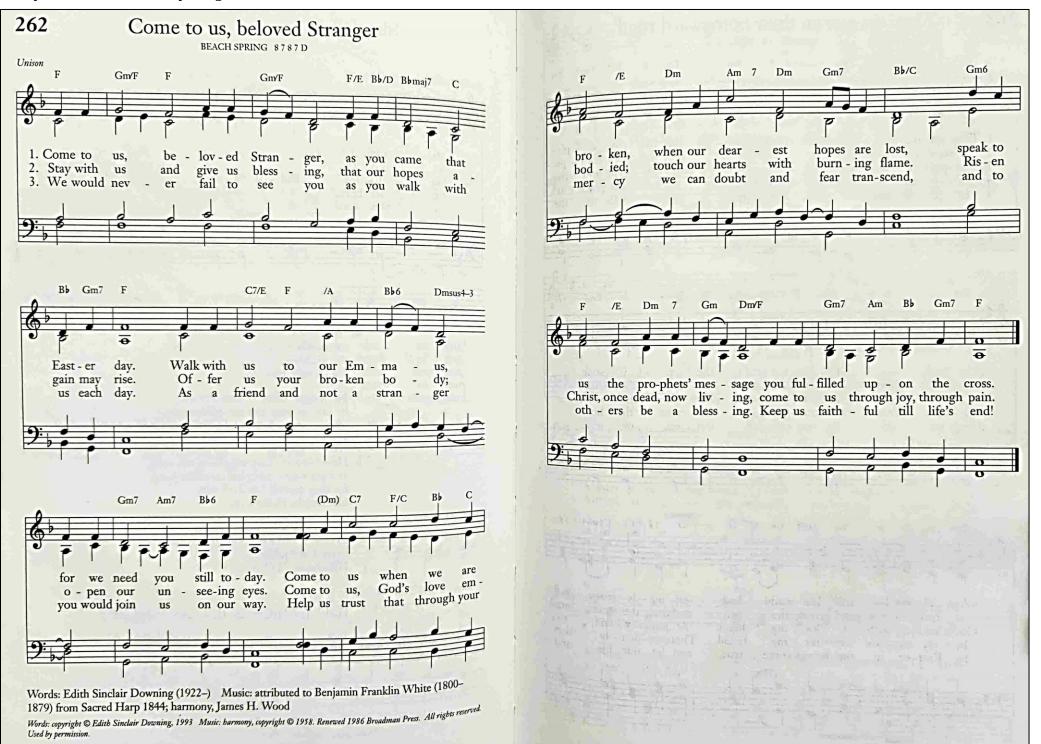
If you are unable to attend worship in person, please join us for our livestreamed services: <u>St. Andrew's YouTube Channel</u>

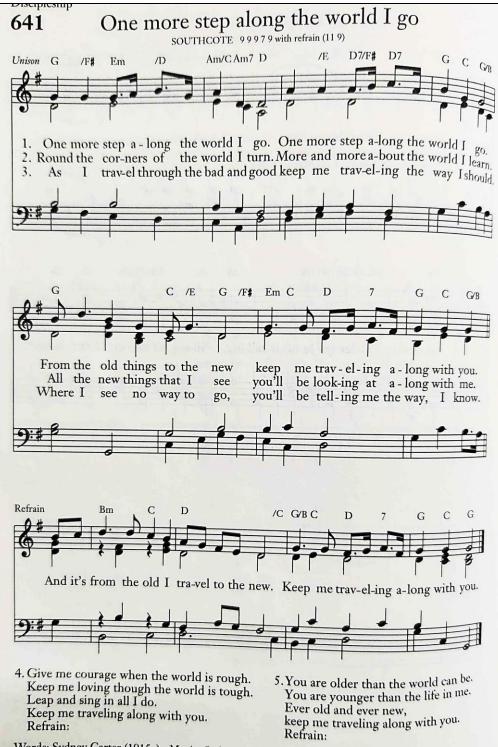
Sunday, April 21, 2024 10:30 am Annual General Meeting "What the Shepherd Does" Interim Moderator/Stated Supply: Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

Stewardship Moment

Gratefulness leads to great fullness. – Dr. Kent Millard, president, United Theological Seminary

Hymns for Sunday, April 14, 2024:





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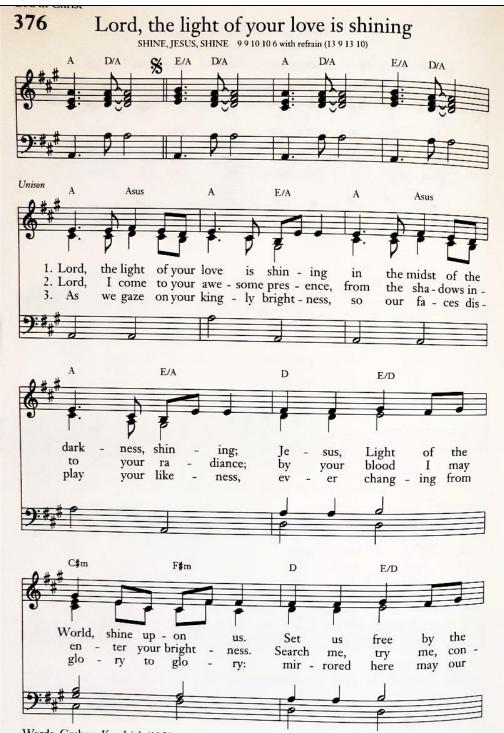
We are offering 10-inch mixed coloured hanging baskets and 10-inch pots of caliente geraniums in red, lavender, or coral/fuchsia. The order form can be downloaded from the church website at <u>Hanging Basket Fundraiser 2024</u>.

The deadline for orders is Sunday, May 5.

Your order will be available for pickup on Thursday, May 23 in the church parking lot. Details of pickup times will be given out closer to the pickup date.

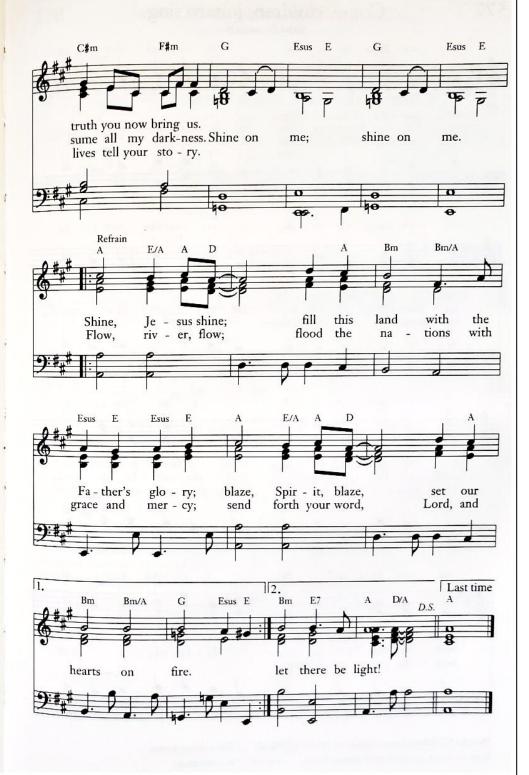
To submit orders or if you have any questions, please contact Maggie at 905-790-3433, or anyone on the Stewardship Committee.





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Readings for Sunday, April 14, 2024:

Scripture Lesson: Luke 24:13-35 (NRSV) The Walk to Emmaus Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were

opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (NIV)

- R: Love the LORD, for he heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy.
- C: Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.
- R: The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow.
- C: Then I called on the name of the LORD: "LORD, save me!"
- R: What shall I return to the LORD for all his goodness to me?
- C: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.
- R: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.
- C: Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants.
- R: Truly I am your servant, LORD; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains.
- C: I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the LORD.
- R: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,
- All: in the courts of the house of the LORD in your midst, Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.

Additional Scripture: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 (NRSV)

The First Converts

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Additional Scripture: 1 Peter 1:17-23 (NRSV)

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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



Macgregors Meat & Seafood is back!

Get your barbecue ready! Macgregors Meat & Seafood order forms are here!

An e-blast will be sent out with an order form, product details and pricing. Details are also available on the church website at <u>www.standrewsbrampton.ca</u>. If you would like a <u>printed</u> order form, they are available in the Great Hall after the worship service. Any questions, please contact Maggie at <u>maggie.nicol8@gmail.com</u> or 905-790-3433.

The deadline for orders is Sunday, May 5, 2024.

Pickup at the church will be on Thursday, May 16 -- just in time for the Victoria Day long weekend!

Payments can be in the form of cash or cheque *(payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church)*, or e-transfer to treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca (please state it is for the Macgregors Meat & Seafood fundraiser).

Please help support this St. Andrew's fundraiser by purchasing these high quality Macgregors meat and seafood products, supplied by a third-generation Canadian-owned, family-run business since 1949. Proceeds will go to the ministries and work of St. Andrew's.

The Stewardship Committee thanks you for your support!

Announcements for Sunday, April 14, 2024

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

We're glad you chose to join us for worship today! Please take your bulletins 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.

Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Baswick is on vacation and will return Monday, April 15. He will be available in the Vestry on Wednesday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. <u>For pastoral emergencies while Wayne is</u> <u>away</u>, please call Jean Bradshaw at 905-455-6573 or the Congregational Care Team at 905-791-0490.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Annual General Meeting Sunday, April 21, 2024 11:45 am

The St. Andrew's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Sanctuary on **Sunday, April 21** after the worship service, both in person and via Microsoft Teams. A limited number of printed copies of the **2023 Annual Report** and **Financial Statements** is available for pickup today (one per household, please). They are also available to view and download on our website at <u>www.standrewsbrampton.ca</u>. Please bring these materials with you to the meeting next week. The link and details for joining the online meeting will be available in next Sunday's bulletin. Whether in-person or online, we encourage you to attend!



"But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you." Matthew 6:6

Come and explore the power that PRAYER can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships and every other area of our lives.

Movie: Wednesday April 24 at 7:00 pm in the Great Hall

Study: Starting Wednesday May 1 at 7:00 in the Parlour

Topics Include:

Session One:Lukewarmness – May 1, 2024Session Two:Accountability – May 8, 2024Session Three:Gospel & Grace – May 15, 2024Session Four:Spiritual Warfare – May 29, 2024Session Five:Prayer – June 5, 2024

Pre-registration is required; please fill out & return the form below.

(to register, please detach and place in the offering plate)

War Room – Prayer is a Powerful Weapon Movie & Study Series

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