



# 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 28, 2024 New Members Sunday • Seasonal Colour: White

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

Prelude: *We Are the Church* R. Avery/D. Marsh  
Welcome, Greeting, Announcements  
Silent Prayer

### *Approach to Worship*

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration  
See & Hear

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

\* Hymn: *Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us* 647

### *Reception of New Members*

Invitation and Affirmation of Baptism (See insert below)  
Public Profession of Faith and Questions  
Declaration, Prayer and Blessing  
(The New Members are invited to return to the pews.)

### *The Rite of Reconciliation*

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession:  
**Forgive us, Lord God, if we have been content  
to be less than we can be:  
If we have settled for that which takes little effort;  
If we have not recognized Your divine image in us;  
If we have allowed ourselves the luxury of giving up  
when we could do more;  
If we have failed to use the resources You have given us;  
If we have been afraid to venture out in faith.  
Restore in us the confidence that comes from true faith;  
prod us on to be faithful to our high calling,  
and encourage us by a daily sense of Your presence  
as we walk in Your Spirit. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* arr. S. Tyreman

### *The Word Proclaimed*

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

**O Lord, we know that we do not live by bread alone, but also by every word that proceeds from You. May we be fed and nurtured in our spirits by the word that You have for us now. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson: John 15:1-8

Responsive Psalm 80 (See below for responses)  
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Additional Scriptures: Acts 8:26-40; 1 John 4:7-21

Sermon: *The Branches of the Vine* Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

\* Hymn: *Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord* 260

### *Response and Thanksgiving*

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

Offertory: *Welcome, Welcome Each Other* J. Manley

\* 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:

**O God, source of life, who raised Your Son from the dead, all that we have reflects Your eternal love. As those in the infant church in Jerusalem brought gifts for those in need, so we too bring offerings as a sign of our commitment and concern. Accept them as our testimony to Christ's resurrection, and cause them to be distributed so that others may have life. 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: *All the way my Saviour leads me* 699

### *Returning to Service*

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Oh, I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands On Me!*

African-American spiritual

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*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*

*Scripture Reader:* Grace Brewster-Yates

*Sound & Video:* Peter Shepherd

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### *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, May 5, 2024 10:30 am***

***Mission Sunday***

***with guest speaker Karen Bokma***

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

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## Hymns for Sunday, April 28, 2024:

### 647 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

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1. Lead us, heaven-ly Fath-er, lead us o'er the world's tem - pest-uous sea;
2. Sav-iour, breathe for-give-ness o'er us, all our weak-ness thou dost know;
3. Spir-it of our God de-scend-ing, fill our hearts with heaven-ly joy,



guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee,  
 thou didst tread this earth be - fore us, thou didst feel its keen - est woe;  
 love with eve - ry pas-sion blend-ing, pleas-ure that can nev - er cloy;



yet pos-sess-ing eve - ry bless-ing if our God our guide shall be.  
 lone and drea-ry, faint and wea - ry through the des-ert thou didst go.  
 thus pro-vid-ed, par-doned, guid-ed noth - ing can our peace de-stroy.

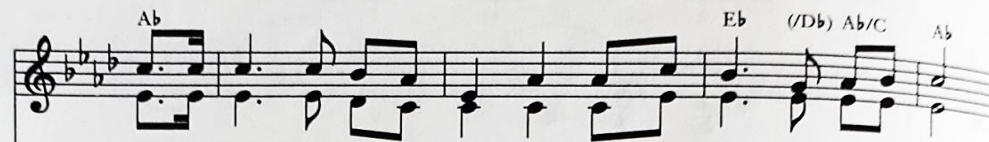


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### 699 All the way my Saviour leads me

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1. All the way my Sav-iour leads me; what have I to ask be-side?
2. All the way my Sav-iour leads me, cheers each wind - ing path I tread,
3. All the way my Sav-iour leads me, oh the full - ness of his love!



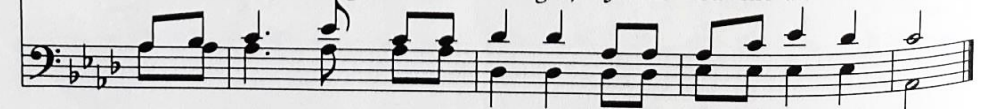
Can I doubt his ten-der mer - cy who through life has been my guide?  
 gives me grace for eve-ry tri - al, feeds me with the liv - ing bread.  
 Per-fect rest to me is prom-ised in my Fa-ther's house a - bove.



Heaven-ly peace, di - vin - est com-fort, here by faith in him to dwell;  
 Though my wea - ry steps may fal-ter, and my soul a - thirst may be,  
 When my spir - it, clothed im-mor-tal, wings its flight to realms of day,



for I know, what - e'er be - fall me Je-sus do - eth all things well.  
 gush-ing from the rock be - fore me lo, a spring of joy I see.  
 this my song through end-less a - ges, "Je-sus led me all the way!"



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# Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord / Alleluia No. 1

ALLELUIA NO. 1 8 8 with refrain

Descant



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, thanks to the ris - en Lord;

Refrain

F /E Dm Bb6 Gm Bb C 7/E



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord; al - le -



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia praise to his name.

F Dm Bb6 Gm C7 F Fine



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give praise to his name.



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Verses

F Dm Gm Bb C

1. Je - sus is Lord of all the earth;  
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth;  
3. We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ;  
4. Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

F Dm 7 Gm Bb C

he is the King of cre - a - tion:  
Je - sus has died and has ris - en:  
now we shall live for - ev - er:  
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - iour:

## Readings for Sunday, April 28, 2024:

### Scripture Lesson: John 15:1-8 *Jesus the Real Vine*

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'

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

### Responsive Psalm: Psalm 80

#### *A Prayer to Restore God's Vineyard*

R: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
you who lead Joseph like a flock!  
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim,  
shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.

C: **Stir up your might, and come to save us!**  
**Restore us, O God;**  
**let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

R: O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry  
with your people's prayers?  
You have fed them with the bread of tears,  
and given them tears to drink in full measure.

C: **You make us the scorn of our neighbours;**  
**our enemies laugh among themselves.**  
**Restore us, O God of hosts;**  
**let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

R: You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
you drove out the nations and planted it.  
You cleared the ground for it;  
it took deep root and filled the land.

C: **The mountains were covered with its shade,**  
**the mighty cedars with its branches;**  
**it sent out its branches to the sea,**  
**and its shoots to the River.**

R: Why then have you broken down its walls,  
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?  
The boar from the forest ravages it,  
and all that move in the field feed on it.

C: **Turn again, O God of hosts;**  
**look down from heaven, and see;**  
**have regard for this vine,**  
**the stock that your right hand planted.**

R: They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down;  
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.  
But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,  
the one whom you made strong for yourself.

*All: Then we will never turn back from you;*  
*give us life, and we will call on your name.*  
*Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;*  
*let your face shine, that we may be saved.*

### Additional Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

#### *Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch*

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading

the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

**Additional Scripture:** 1 John 4:7-21 *God is Love*

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son

as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also. (The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

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### Stewardship Moment

If we allow a day to pass by without practicing generosity, we are like a blacksmith's bellows: we breathe, but we do not live.

– Sanskrit proverb

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**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.

**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.

**Calling All Elders!** To prepare for our resumption of serving Communion by full distribution (on May 26), a brief practice for all Elders, both supporting and active, will be held directly after worship on **Sunday, May 12.**

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## Reception of New Members April 28, 2024

We would like to welcome the friends and families of those being admitted into the church this morning as new members.

### *Reception of New Members*

Today we welcome the following people whom God has sent to us so that we might grow to know God together.

#### *By Profession of Faith*

**Samuel Nwigwe Odii**

**Herman Lopez Ramirez**

**Yudilanda Vazquez Velazquez**

*By grace you have been saved through faith;  
and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God.*

As Rev. Wayne Baswick and Jean Bradshaw,  
our Clerk of Session,  
offer our new Sisters and Brothers in Christ  
the right hand of fellowship,  
we invite you to give them a warm St. Andrew's welcome  
- by way of applause!



Macgregors Meat & Seafood is back!

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

An e-blast has been sent out with an order form, product details and pricing. On the church website, you can find the product details here: [Macgregors Product Information](#) and the order form here: [Macgregors Order Form](#). If you would like a printed order form, they are available in the Great Hall after the worship service. Any questions, please contact Maggie at [maggie.nicol8@gmail.com](mailto:maggie.nicol8@gmail.com) or 905-790-3433.

**The deadline for orders is next Sunday, May 5.**

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](mailto: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!*



Please help support St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church by purchasing our stunning hanging baskets!

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 [Hanging Basket Fundraiser 2024](#).

**The deadline for orders is next 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.

