

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024  
Christmastide • Seasonal Colour: White

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

Prelude: *Jesus, the Newborn Baby*

Trad. Italian

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: *Hark! the herald angels sing*

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*The Rite of Reconciliation*

Invitation

Unison Prayer of Confession:

**We confess, O God, that in this past year we have let slip by many opportunities of witness and service in Your Name.**

**We have had concerns and issues which have nearly overwhelmed us.**

**We could not see past ourselves to know of Your guidance and protection.**

**We were not always certain that You were our refuge and strength every day this past year, in every circumstance which came our way.**

**As we go forward, surround us with Your love knowing that nothing can ever separate us from You and Your love for us. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon



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.*

## *The Word Proclaimed*

Unison Prayer for Illumination: (All readings NRSV; see below)  
**Your Word, O God, is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path. By the reading and listening of Your Word, may we be guided and led by the light of Your Word in the paths and detours in our journey of life in the new year ahead. Amen.**

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 63:7-9

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Lesson: Matthew 6:25-34

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 111 (See below for responses)

Additional Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17  
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *Entering 2025 with Thanksgiving* Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

\* Hymn: *Standing at the portal* 811

## *Response and Thanksgiving*

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

Offertory: *From Starry Skies Thou Comest* A. Liguori

\* 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:

**And they came, every one whose heart was stirred up, and every one whose spirit was made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering. We come with joyful hearts presenting His tithes and our offerings. 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: *Joy to the world*

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## *Returning to Service*

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Carol of the Bagpipers*

Trad. Sicilian

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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

*Scripture Reader:* Debbie Warwick

*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, January 5, 2025 10:30 am*

*Pulpit Supply:* Kim Shepherd

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## *Stewardship Moment*

We offer our gifts and talents as a response to what God has already done for us in Jesus Christ.

*- David N. Mosser, author of "The Stewardship Companion"*

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# Hymns for Sunday, December 29, 2024:

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## Hark! the herald angels sing

MEDELSSOHN 7 7 7 7 D with refrain

G D G/B G G/D D G/B C 6 G/D D G

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King,  
 2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
 3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of right-eous-ness!

G D Em G/D A7/C# Bm A/C# D /F# Gmaj7 A7 D

peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con - ciled.  
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.  
 Light and life to all he brings, risen with heal - ing in his wings.

G/B D7/F# G G/D D G/B D7/F# G G/D D

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see! Hail the in - car - nate de - i - ty!  
 Mild, he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

C Am/CE7 Am D/C G/B G G/D D7 G

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem."  
 Pleased on earth with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.  
 born to raise the lost of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

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

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King.

### French

1. Ecoutez! le chant des anges,  
 vient d'éclater dans les airs;  
 joignons aussi nos louanges  
 à leurs sublimes concerts:  
 gloire à Dieu! paix sur la terre!  
 Aujourd'hui le Christ est né!  
 Jésus s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.  
 Jésus s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.
2. Son palais est une étable,  
 une crèche est son berceau,  
 et pourtant, c'est l'Admirable,  
 c'est le Fils du Dieu très-haut.  
 Il vient à nous débonnaire  
 et de grâce couronné.  
 Jésus s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.  
 Jésus s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.
3. Avec vous, bergers et mages,  
 aux pieds de notre Seigneur  
 nous déposons nos hommages,  
 nous lui sonçons notre coeur.  
 Tout son peuple sur la terre  
 dit, avec nous prosterné:  
 Jésus, s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.  
 Jésus, s'est fait notre frère,  
 un Sauveur nous est donné.

### Hungarian

1. Halld mint zeng az egész ég;  
 "A Királynak dicsőség!  
 Békesség a földön lenn,  
 Istentől jó kegyelem."  
 Népek, örvendeztetek!  
 Visszhangozzák a mennyek!  
 Hirdesse a természet:  
 Krisztusunk megszületett!  
 Halld mint zeng az egész ég:  
 "A Királynak dicsőség!"
2. Krisztus, kit imád a menny,  
 Őr a nagy világ előtt,  
 Köztünk íme megjelent,  
 Szent szűz az, ki szülte Őt.  
 Dicsősége eget áthat,  
 Isten Ő, ki porruhánkat  
 Földön élni vette fel.  
 Jézus Ő, Immánuel!  
 Halld mint zeng...
3. Dicsőség! Ő a Király,  
 Békesség és Igazság,  
 Éltető világos nap,  
 Bajainkra gyógyírt ad.  
 Kis gyermek lett mi érttünk,  
 Született, hogy mi élhessünk,  
 Porból, hogy feltámasszon  
 S ujjászületést adjon.  
 Halld mint zeng...



## Standing at the portal

ST. ALBAN'S 6 5 6 5 D with refrain

F C7 F /A Bb C

1. Stand-ing at the por-tal of the o-pen-ing year,  
 2. "I, your God, am with you: do not be a-fraid;  
 3. God will not for-sake us and will nev-er fail;

C7/E F Bb6 F/C C F

words of com-fort meet us hush-ing eve-ry fear,  
 I will help and strength-en; do not be dis-mayed,  
 God's e-ter-nal cov-enant ev-er will pre-vail.

F/A Gm7 Eb/G Eb6/G D/F# Gm /Bb F/C C

spo-ken through the si-lence by God's lov-ing voice,  
 for I will up-hold you with my own right hand;  
 Rest-ing on this prom-ise, what have we to fear?

C7 /Bb F/A Bb6 C F

ten-der, strong and faith-ful, mak-ing us re-joice.  
 you are called and cho-sen in my sight to stand."  
 God is all-suf-fi-cient for the com-ing year.

Refrain F C7 F F/A Bb C

On-ward, then, and fear not, chil-dren of the day,

C7/E F Bb6 F/C C7 F

for God's word shall nev-er, nev-er pass a-way.



## 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

## Readings for Sunday, December 29, 2024:

### 1st Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 63:7-9 *God's Care for His People*

I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us, and the great favour to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, 'Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely'; and he became their saviour in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

### 2nd Scripture Lesson: Matthew 6:25-34 *Worry or Trust?*

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today. (The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

### Responsive Psalm: Ps 111 *In Praise of the Lord for His Goodness*

R: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright in the congregation.

C: **Great are the works of the LORD,  
studied by all who delight in them.**

**Full of honour and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures for ever.**

R: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

C: **He provides food for those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.**

R: He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

C: **The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy.  
They are established for ever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

R: He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant for ever.

*All: Holy and awesome is his name.*

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practise it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures for ever.*

### Additional Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

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## Announcements for Sunday, December 29, 2024



### **Welcome to St. Andrew's!**

We're so glad you chose to join us for worship today! Please recycle your bulletins in the Great Hall after worship. St. Andrew's is a scent-free zone.

### **Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care**

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick will be on vacation from Monday, December 30 to Sunday, January 5 (inclusive). For emergency pastoral care, please call the Congregational Care team at 905-791-0490.

### **Church Office Hours**

The Church Office is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays (except for statutory holidays) from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. You can contact St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at [standrewsoffice@rogers.com](mailto:standrewsoffice@rogers.com) or 905-451-1723 ext. 0.

### **Please Lend a Helping Hand!**

We are always in need of **Ushers**, **Duty Elders** and **Refreshment Volunteers** on Sunday mornings. If you can help - even for a single day - please sign the sheets posted in the Great Hall at least one week in advance so that we can add your name to the weekly bulletin. Thank you.

### **Donating to St. Andrew's During Christmastide**

**Special Christmas Offering envelopes** are available at the four Sanctuary entrances. As the delivery backlog from the recent postal strike gradually clears, please continue to hand in your offering envelopes during worship services, or drop them any time in the mailbox outside the parking lot entrance. You can also give electronically through our website's Donation page at <https://standrewsbrampton.ca/donate/>.

*Dear Members and Adherents:*

*It gives me much pleasure to inform you that the Kirk Session, upon recommendation of the Search Committee, is extending an invitation to a candidate to preach for the call to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Brampton, Ontario, **on Sunday, January 12, 2025** at the regular 10:30 a.m. worship service.*

*On this date of January 12, 2025, there will be a congregational meeting for the purpose of (a) Guarantee of the St. Andrew's congregation to the Presbytery of Brampton of the Presbyterian Church in Canada for the minister's stipend; and (b) the name of the minister to be inserted for the call.*

*If the call is offered, members and adherents of St. Andrew's are invited to sign to, subscribe and concur in the call.*

*The congregation will be given the opportunity to meet and greet the candidate informally **on Saturday, January 11, 2025** from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at an 'open house' in the Great Hall. The Council of Elders will meet with the candidate in Rooms 205 and 206 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.*

*I know that this will make for a busy weekend for you at St. Andrew's, but I am sure you will agree with me that, although it will be a full weekend, it should at the same time be an enjoyable one, as each of you has his or her part in determining the future of the congregation.*

*This correspondence is being given to you at the earliest possible time in order that you may plan and commit the weekend of January 11-12, 2025 to your Church to be able to make an informed decision for the congregation's future.*

*If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your elder or me.*

*Together in our Lord's Service,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne J. Baswick". The signature is fluid and cursive.

*The Reverend Wayne J. Baswick, Interim Moderator*