

# 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 12, 2025 • 10:30 a.m. Epiphany 2 • Seasonal Colour: Green

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

Prelude: *I Am the Light of the World* Welcome, Greeting, Announcements Silent Prayer

J. Strathdee

# Approach to Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration See & Hear

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

\* Hymn: Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

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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: Be Joyful and Sing to the Lord

J. Althouse

#### The Word Proclaimed

Unison Prayer for Illumination:

(All readings NRSV)

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: Matt 5:1-16 (See below for readings & responses)

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 86:1-15

Additional Scriptures: Matthew 7:1-5; Matthew 11:28-30

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

Sermon: Being Church Now: Ignorance is Bliss Rev. Byron Kappes

\* Hymn: *Great is thy faithfulness* 324

# Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: This Little Light of Mine H. Loes

\* 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: I, the Lord of sea and sky

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# Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: Song for a New Day

D. Paxton

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: Rev. Byron Kappes Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman Senior Choir

Congas/Percussion: Kennedy Jackson Percussion: Bonnie Bunkis Scripture Reader: Ray Scanlan Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

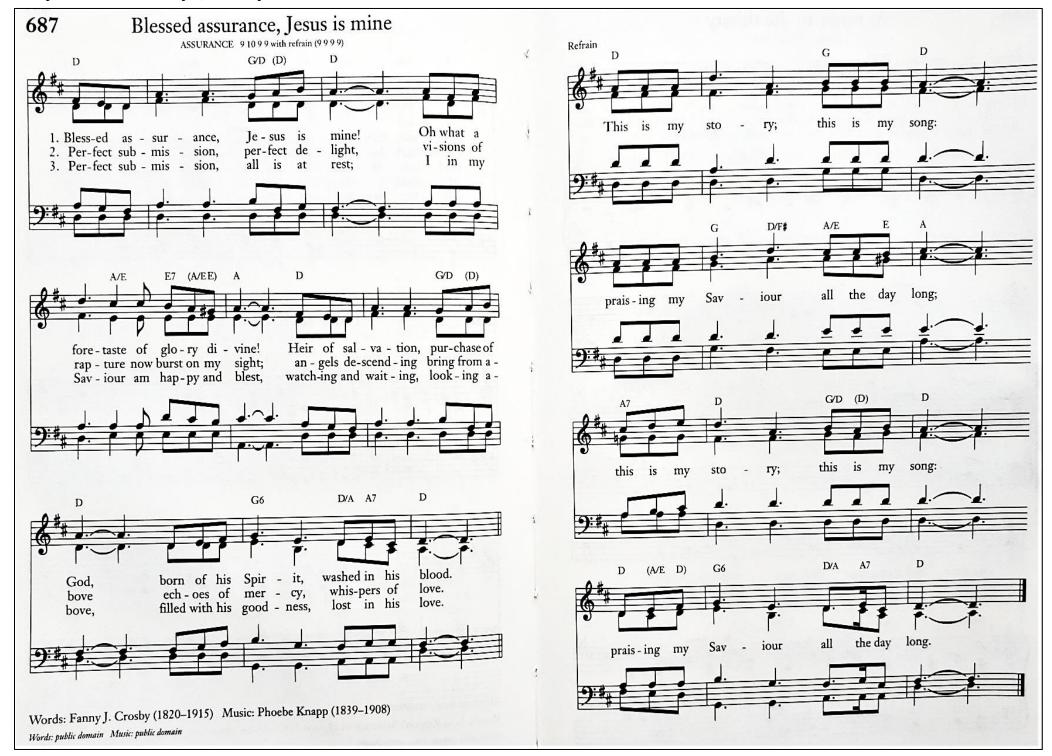
# Worship Next Week

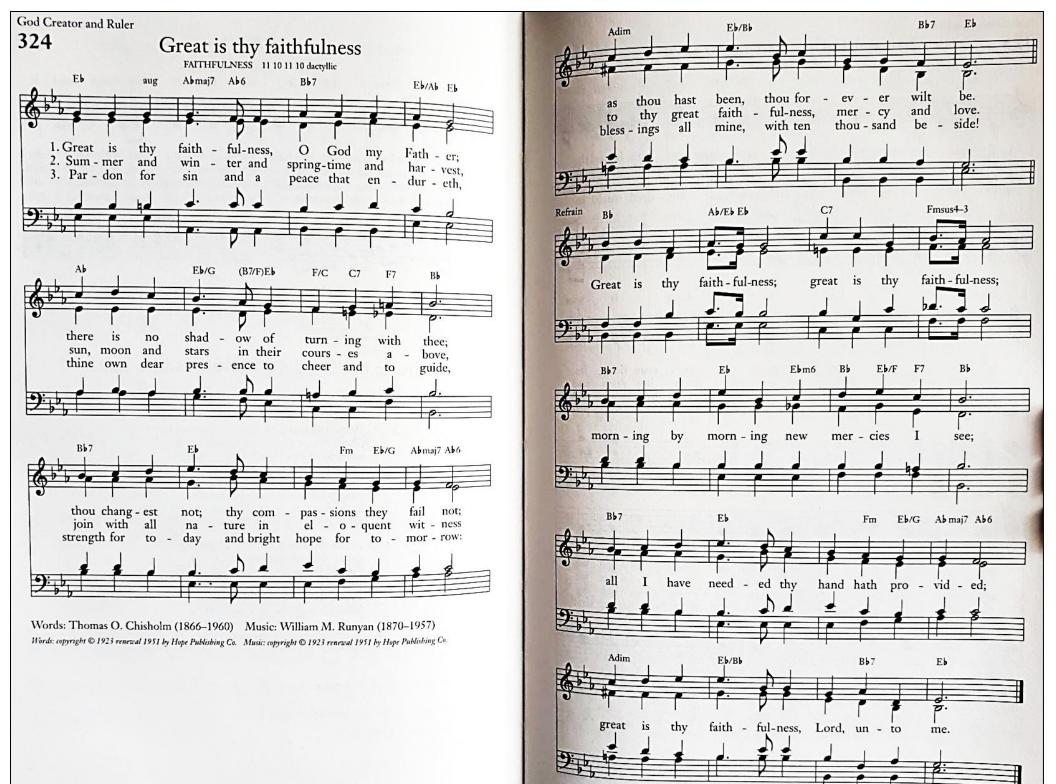
If you are unable to attend worship in person, please join us for our livestreamed services: St. Andrew's YouTube Channel

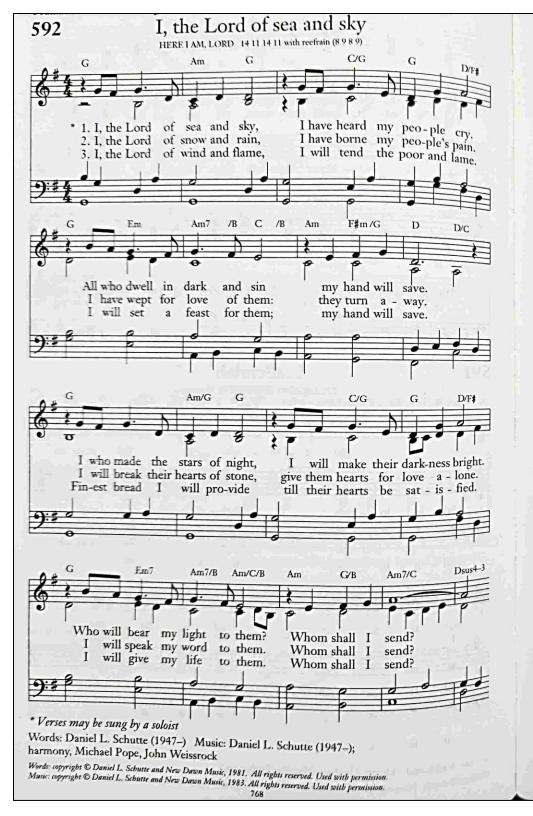
Sunday, January 19, 2025 10:30 am "Things Could Always Be Worse"

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

# Hymns for Sunday, January 12, 2025:









## Readings for Sunday, January 12, 2025:

## **Scripture Lesson:** Matthew 5:1-16 *The Beatitudes*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Salt and Light: 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. (The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

# Responsive Psalm: Psalm 86:1-15 Supplication for Help Against Enemies

- R: Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
- C: Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.
- R: You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

- C: Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- R: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.
- C: Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.
- R: In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.
- C: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.
- R: All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

  For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.
- C: Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.
- R: I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name for ever.
- C: For great is your steadfast love towards me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.
- R: O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set you before them.
- All: But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

#### Additional Scripture: Matthew 7:1-5 Judging Others

Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgement you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, "Let me take the speck out of your eye", while the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye.

#### Additional Scripture: Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

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

# In the Pulpit This Morning...

Rev. Byron Kappes was born in Windsor, Ontario. As a child, he attended St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Amherstburg, and Lakeshore St. Andrew's in Windsor as a teenager. He has an MA in English Language and Literature from Western University, and



obtained his M.Div. from Knox College in Toronto in 2022. He was ordained as Teaching Elder and minister of Word and Sacraments at Knox Walkerton in October 2022, and has served there for the past two and a half years.

Rev. Byron's focus in ministry is servanthood. While at Knox Walkerton, he has overseen a feeding ministry called the Walkerton Community Meal Program, which provides free, high-quality monthly meals and affords people an opportunity to eat and enjoy fellowship in their community. All donations to the meal have gone either to continuing to fund the program, or to helping fund the local Walkerton food bank. This program has consistently fed over 140 people a month in the town of Walkerton, and has provided thousands of dollars in funds to the local food bank.

Byron's focus beyond worship is to bring this spirit of service to his next charge, collaborating with the church to bring a mission-focus to the local community in the spirit of Jesus Christ.

# Announcements for Sunday, January 12, 2025

#### Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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 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 Youth!

#### Worship Services - January 12, 19 & 26

We encourage you to be in the Worship Service.

#### February 2, 9, 16 & 23

Youth Group Series - We will explore the faith journey of Tim Tebow on *Right Now Media* and talk about our own journey of faith. Key scriptures will be shared.

#### Please Lend a Helping Hand!

If you can help as an **Usher**, **Duty Elder** or **Refreshment Volunteer** on any Sunday, please sign the sheets posted in the Great Hall <u>at least one week in advance</u> so that we can add your name to the weekly bulletin. Thank you.

#### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

Jan. 13	7:30 pm	Session meeting
Jan. 14	7:30 pm	All Committee Night
Jan. 16	7:00 pm	Leap of Faith
Jan. 16	8:00 pm	Senior Choir
	Jan. 14 Jan. 16	Jan. 14 7:30 pm Jan. 16 7:00 pm

# Stewardship Moment

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

- 1 Peter 4:10