

# 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, FEBRUARY 16, 2025 • 10:30 a.m. 6th Sunday after Epiphany • Band Sunday • Seasonal Colour: Green

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

Prelude: Morning Has Broken

Gaelic Melody

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: Come, let us sing

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### The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession:

You have blessed us, Lord, with many gifts, but we have sometimes neglected to use them.

You have blessed us with family and friends,

but we have sometimes ignored them.

You have blessed us with a world of beauty and majesty,

but all too often we have hardly noticed.

You have given us a lifetime of hours and days,

but we have sometimes squandered them on the trivial.

Teach us, Lord, to number our days, and apply our hearts to wisdom. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: *Gather With the Saints* 

L. Shackley

#### The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (See below for readings & responses) Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and Your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy, and apply to our lives what You say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Lesson: Luke 16:1-8

(All readings NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 138

Additional Scriptures: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 6:6-10

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

Sermon: "Buying a Miracle"

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick

\* Hymn: I, the Lord of sea and sky

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### Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: Amazing Grace

arr. A. Clark

\* 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:

O God, you nourish us by the outpouring of Your love. You strengthen us with your enlivening Spirit. Our bodies are sustained by Your goodness and power. You are the source of every good act we perform and every talent we possess. These gifts which we offer to You are but a portion of what You give us in abundance. Accept them as signs of our thanksgiving. 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: *Be thou my vision* 

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### Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: All Night, All Day, Angels Watchin' Over Me

Trad.

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 • Leap of Faith
Scripture Reader: Savo Persaud
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

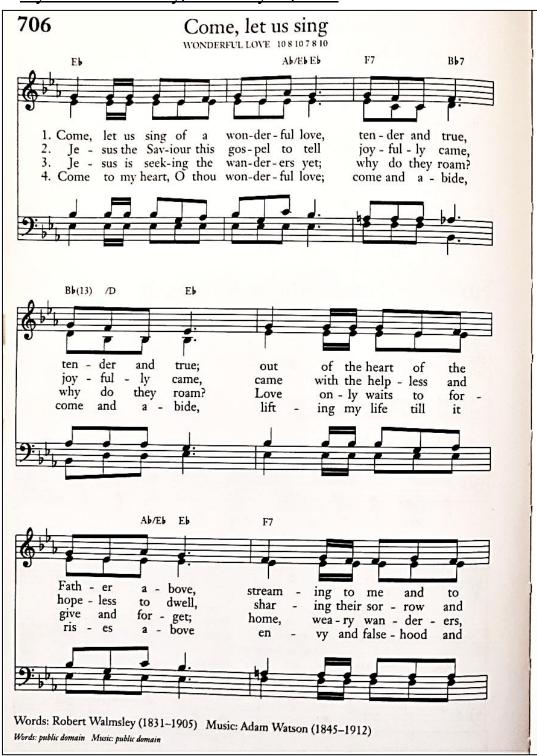
Sunday, February 23, 2025 10:30 am 7th Sunday after Epiphany Pulpit Supply: Rev. Sandy Fryfogel

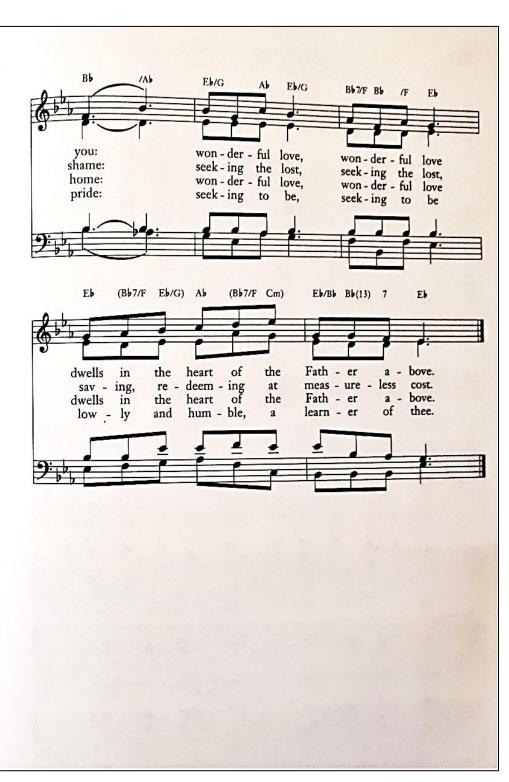
# Stewardship Moment

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

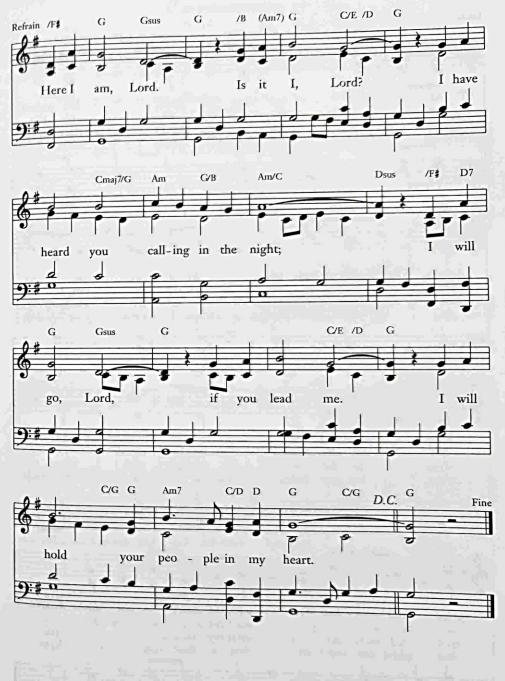
- Colossians 3:15

### Hymns for Sunday, February 16, 2025:







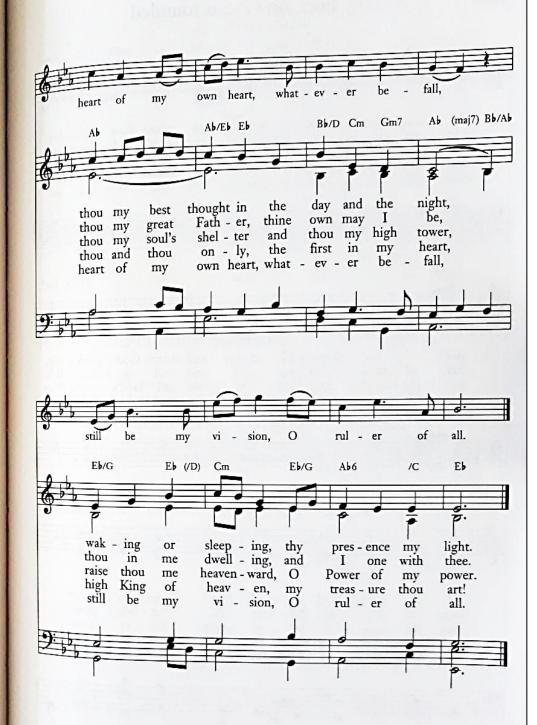


# Be thou my vision



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### Readings for Sunday, February 16, 2025:

### Scripture Lesson: Luke 16:1-8 The Shrewd Manager

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light."

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

### Responsive Psalm: Psalm 138 Hymn of a Grateful Heart

- R: I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down towards your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.
- C: On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

  All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.

- R: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.
- All: The LORD will fulfil his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for ever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

### **Additional Scripture:** Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, 'When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practise deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.' The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

## **Additional Scripture:** 1 Timothy 6:6-10

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

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

# Announcements for Sunday, February 16, 2025

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

We're glad you chose to join us for worship today! Please recycle your bulletins in the blue bins in the Great Hall after worship. St. Andrew's is a scent-free zone. Please join us in the Great Hall after worship for an extra-special time of fellowship and thanks. Refreshments will be provided.

### Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Wayne J. Baswick will be on vacation from Monday, February 17 to Sunday, February 23 (inclusive). For <a href="mailto:emergency">emergency</a> pastoral care during this time, please call the Congregational Care team at 905-791-0490.

### Calling All Youth

There will be no Youth Group class today. It is Rev. Wayne's last Sunday preaching, so I thought you would like to be in church to hear him.

— Doreen Scott-Dunne

### **Annual Report Submissions**

The deadline for submitting material for the 2024 Annual Report is **Thursday**, **February 27**. Please send your reports to <u>standrewsoffice@rogers.com</u>. Anything received after the deadline will not appear in the 2024 Annual Report.

→ *Committee chairs:* Please compile a list of your committee members as of February 27, 2024, include their roles or titles, if any, and email to <a href="mailto:standrewsoffice@rogers.com">standrewsoffice@rogers.com</a> by the above deadline. Thank you.

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!

St. Andrew's presents an

All-Ages Bowling Night

Friday, February 21, 2025

7:00 p.m.

Brampton Bowling Centre 12 Beech Street, Brampton

\$15 per person for 90 minutes of 5-pin bowling, shoes included

You'll have a ball at this event It'll keep you rolling in the aisles!

Please sign up on the sheet posted on the Great Hall bulletin board TODAY!

