

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, MARCH 9, 2025 • 10:30 a.m. 1st Sunday in Lent • Seasonal Colour: Violet

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

Prelude: *Jesus Calls Us* Welcome, Greeting, Announcements Silent Prayer Gaelic Melody

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship & Prayer of Adoration See & Hear (The children are invited to go to Sunday School.) * Hymn: O love, how deep, how broad, how high

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Our Lenten Journey

Lenten Liturgy

(See PWS&D insert below)

The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession: Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives - that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: Just a Closer Walk

arr. J. Schrader

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination:(See below for readings & responses)God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us in
the Truth of your Word, the vine of everlasting life.Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows
through us today and all days. Abiding in Christ we pray.
Amen.Amen.- From "Get Lit Worship Resources"1st Scripture Lesson: Luke 4:1-13
2nd Scripture Lesson: Romans 10:8-13

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Additional Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God*.)

Sermon: 40 Days in the Desert of LentRev. Byron Kappes* Hymn: Just as I am, without one plea682

Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee H. Smith

* 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:

God of new life, out of the abundance of our lives we offer these gifts to you. Through your blessing and our willingness to share, may these offerings become a source for hope and love in this church family, and in the community beyond us, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

- St Martins Presbyterian Church, Christchurch

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: You who dwell in the shelter/On Eagle's Wings

Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen Postlude: Go Now in Peace

N. Sleeth

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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

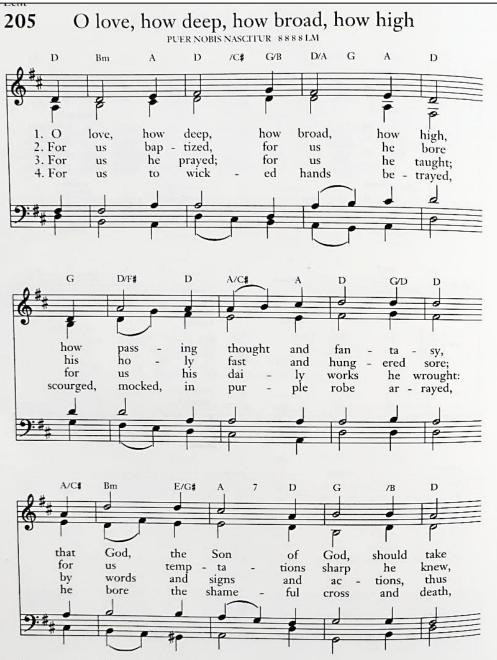
Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes Music Director: Shelagh Tyreman Congas/Percussion: Kennedy Jackson Senior Choir Lenten Liturgy & Scripture Reader: Grace Brewster-Yates Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

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, March 16, 2025 10:30 am 2nd Sunday in Lent • Sacrament of Baptism • Band Sunday *"Waiting on a Promise"* Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

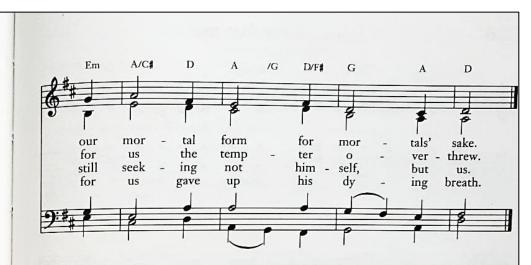
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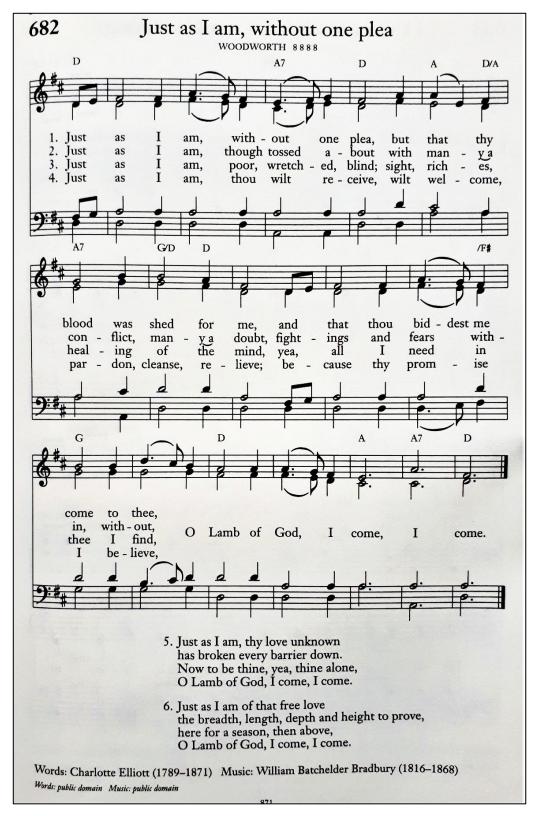
See also: Puer nobis nascitur 160 170

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- For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.
- 6. All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad, the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.



Announcements for Sunday, March 9, 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.

Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

When Rev. Byron has had a chance to settle in to life at St. Andrew's, we will let you know his office hours. He can be reached at 226-998-5606 or <u>rev.byronkappes@gmail.com</u>. Alternatively, for <u>emergency</u> pastoral care, you may also contact the Congregational Care team at 905-791-0490.

Induction Service for Rev. Byron Kappes Sunday, March 23, 2025 2:00 p.m.

The Induction Service by the Presbytery of Brampton for the Reverend Byron Kappes into the Pastoral Charge of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will take place **Sunday**, **March 23, 2025** at **2:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. This service will be followed by a time of fellowship in the Great Hall. The Presbytery of Brampton will meet in the Session Room at 1:30 p.m. Please plan to attend this worship service in support of Rev. Byron Kappes' ministry here at St. Andrew's.



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First Sunday in Lent

Written by the Rev. Dr. Patricia Dutcher-Walls

- One: In the wilderness, Jesus was tempted to abandon God
- All: for the false hopes of indulgence, arrogance and certainty.
- One: During our Lenten journey, we recognize we too are tempted
- All: to turn aside from seeking only God and God's ways.
- One: As we worship, may we celebrate all the bounty of God's grace

All: and always return with mindfulness and gratitude to God.



THE DEVELOPMENT AND RELIEF AGENCY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

Overcoming Adversity in Ghana

Abdul Razak Ayawin, a 23-year-old from Bugri community in Northern Ghana, faced a life-altering accident that led to the amputation



of his left leg. Unable to continue his education due to financial constraints and fear of stigma, Razak was distraught.

Then, the Presbyterian Church of Ghana's Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) program identified him to provide support. Razak enrolled in a dressmaking apprenticeship and received a sewing machine and a small stipend. He learned quickly, became self-employed and gained confidence in his new skills.

The CBR program, which is supported by PWS&D, also facilitated his assessment for a prosthetic limb. Despite the financial challenges, Razak is determinedly raising funds so that he can get the prosthetic. "I am working hard to raise enough with the dresses that I am making for my customers. I hope I will be able to get the prosthesis. Thanks for your love and support," he expresses.

This Lenten season, faithfully respond to Christ's call to help ensure people have the tools they need to create a livelihood and learn new skills.



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Readings for Sunday, March 9, 2025:

<u>1st Scripture Lesson</u>: Luke 4:1-13 *The temptation of Jesus*

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

<u>**2nd Scripture Lesson:</u>** Romans 10:8-13 *You will be saved* But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek;</u> the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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

<u>Responsive Psalm</u>: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 *God shall keep you*

- R: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'
- C: Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.
- R: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
 On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
 You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
- All: Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

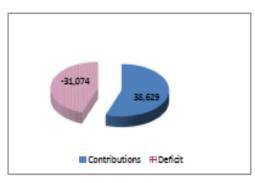
Additional Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Saved from Egypt When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors: the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

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

Church Finances

Shortfall Pie Chart

Purpose of this chart is to show in a graphic form the shortfall of contributions to expenses as of February 28, 2025:



Contributions & Expenses Comparative

	Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2025	Jan 1 - Feb 29, 2024
Contributions		
Offerings	32,788.35	32,869.10
SEAOM Offerings/convention	2,508.85	5,004.20
Other Revenue	3,331.44	2,955.96
Total Contributions	38,628.64	40,829.26
Expense		
Education	306.49	311.28
SEAOM Mission	700.00	2,588.34
Mission	-	-
Property	35,045.65	33,103.34
Stewardship	31,443.19	30,201.53
Worship	894.99	1,347.44
Seccion	1,311.91	-
Total Expense	69,702.23	67,551.93
Net General Surplus (Deficit)	(31,073.68)	(28,722.67)
Presbyterian Sharing donations*	2,888.00	2,810.00
PW88D donations*	825.00	803.00
Food Bank donations*	6,506.28	7,595.00

* NOTES: 1) Presbyterian Sharing, PWS&D and Food Bank donations are not included in the Offerings numbers above

Stewardship Moment

Let gratitude be the pillow up which you kneel to say your nightly prayer. And let faith be the bridge you build to overcome evil and welcome good. - *Maya Angelou*

	Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2025	Jan 1 - Feb 29, 2024
General Bank	(5,144.36)	(19,928.02)
Rectricted Bank	66,796.65	52,511.65
Food Bank	137,072.50	140,829.78
Trustee Bank	10,806.57	9,488.57
Seccion Bank	3,121.84	3,330.46
Line of oredit	(24,000.00)	(19,000.00)

Bank Account Balances