

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 27, 2025 10:30 AM

2nd Sunday of Easter • Ordination of Elders & Reaffirmation of Returning Elders • Seasonal Colour: White (Gold)

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

Opening

Prelude: Welcome Here! Welcome Here! Welcome, Greeting, Announcements

T. Grimes

Silent Prayer

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship Prayer of Adoration

* Hymn: I am the church! You are the church!

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See & Hear

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

The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: Camp Meeting arr. A. Page/J. Shafferman

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination:

(All Readings NRSV; see below)

Heavenly Father, help us to know your ways; teach us your paths and lead us into your truth. Amen.

1st Scripture Lesson: John 20:19-31 2nd Scripture Lesson: Acts 5:27-32

Responsive Psalm 150 (See below for responses)

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

Sermon: Wounded and Whole Rev. Byron Kappes

Ordination of Elders and Reaffirmation of Returning Elders

* Responsive Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 27

There are varieties of gifts,

but the same Spirit;

There are varieties of services,

but the same Lord;

There are varieties of activities,

but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

To each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

to use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Though we have different gifts
Together we are called to be the church
With a ministry in the world
Which is led by the risen Christ.

* Apostles' Creed:

Let us confess our faith together in the words of The Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Narration of Steps and Presentation of the Elders-elect The Preamble

The Vows

Ordination Prayer:

God of Grace, who baptized us into a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ;

who called us to be a priesthood of all believers; who entrusted to us the message of reconciliation; we pray for courage and discipline to follow where your elders rightly lead us, that together we may declare your mighty acts and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ who is ruler of all. Amen.

Declaration

The Right Hand of Fellowship

* Hymn: Softly and tenderly

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Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us W. Bradbury

* 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:

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: We are God's people

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: Allegretto

J. Clarke

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 Senior Choir

Scripture Reader: Debbie Warwick
Duty Elder: Paul Willoughby
Refreshments: Trina & Ariella
Sound & Video: Peter Shepherd

Worship Next Week

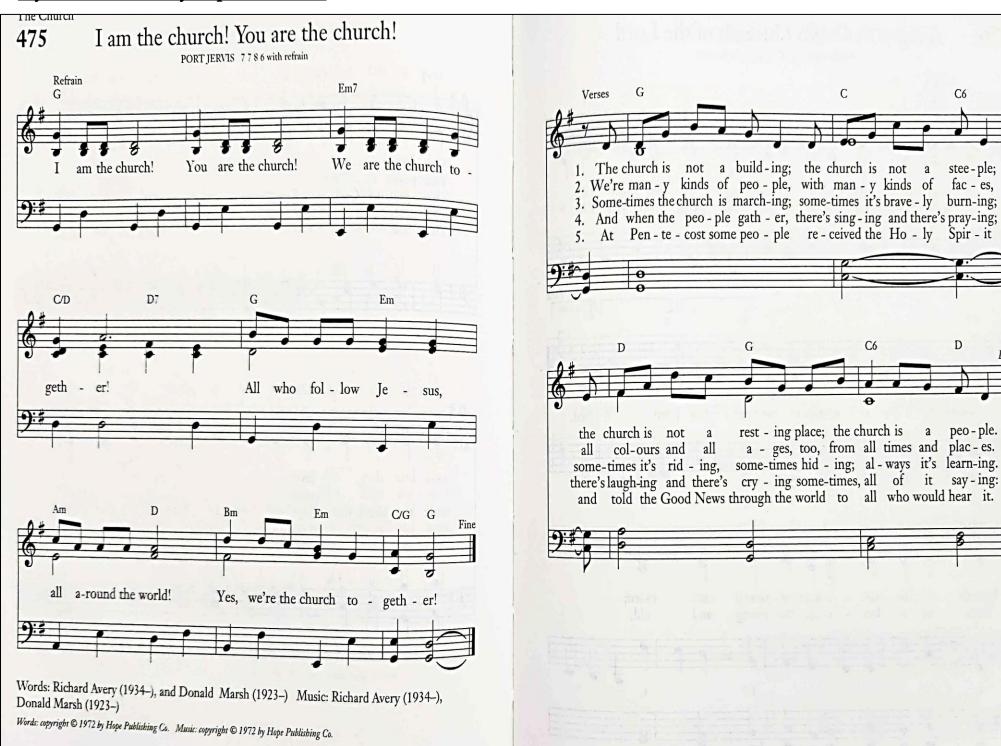
If you are unable to attend worship in person, please join us for our livestreamed services: St. Andrew's YouTube Channel

Sunday, May 4, 2025 10:30 am
"Breakfast with the Lord"
Annual General Meeting at 12:00 p.m.
Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

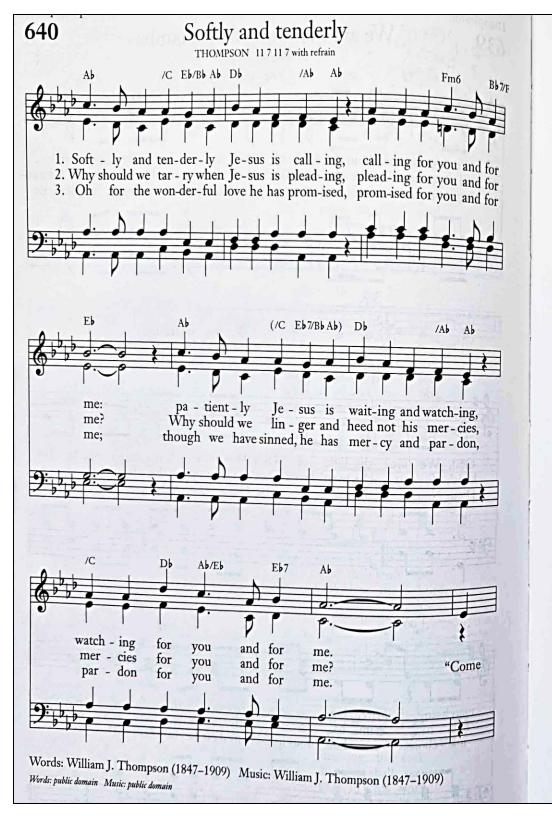
Stewardship Moment

As long as we keep dividing our lives between events and people we would like to remember and those we would rather forget, we cannot claim the fullness of our being as a gift of God to be grateful for. - *Henry Nouwen*

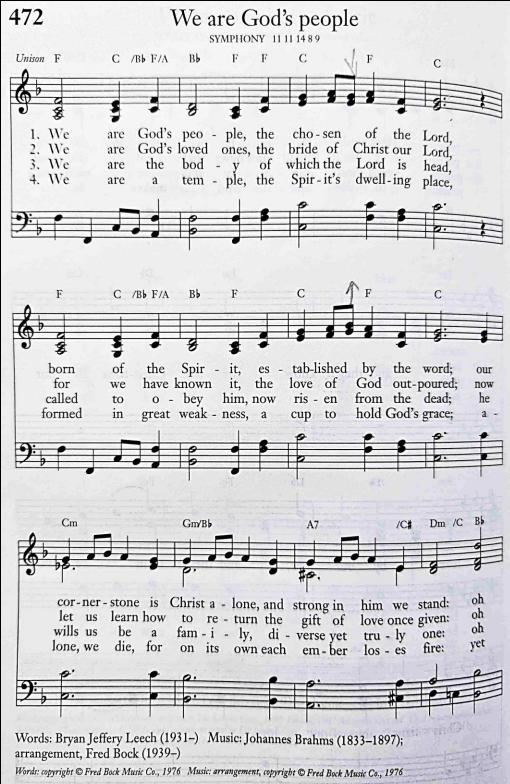
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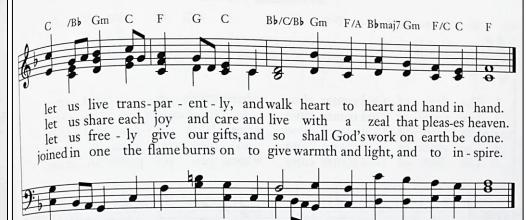


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Readings for Sunday, April 27, 2025:

1st Scripture Lesson: John 20:19-31

Beholding the wounds of the risen Christ

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

2nd Scripture Lesson: Acts 5:27-32

The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 150 Let everything praise the Lord

R: Praise the LORD!

C: Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

R: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

C: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

R: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

C: Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

R: Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

All: Praise the LORD!

Announcements for Sunday, April 27, 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 Great Hall blue bins. St. Andrew's is a scent-free zone.

Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Byron Kappes is in the Vestry every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon. He can be reached at 226-998-5606 or rev.byronkappes@gmail.com.

Annual General Meeting Sunday, May 4, 2025, 12:00 p.m.

The St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Annual General Meeting (AGM) is Sunday May 4, 2025, after the 10:30am service, at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary. All members of the church are welcome to participate in the AGM and have a voice at it. We have ensured to provide you with the Annual Report for your reference the mandatory two weeks ahead of the meeting. Please pick up a copy of the Annual Report today in the Great Hall (one per household, please) or find a digital copy on the church website. See you at the AGM!

- Rev. Byron Kappes





Please help support St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church by purchasing our stunning hanging baskets, popular in past years.

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 is available on the table in the Great Hall on Sundays, or from the Eblast, or website.

TODAY – Sunday, April 27 – is the order deadline!

Your order will be available for pick up on Thursday May 22 in the church parking lot. Details of pick-up times will be given out closer to the pick-up date.

To submit your orders or if you have any questions, please contact Pam Loree at loreep2020@gmail.com or 647-668-0395, or anyone on the Stewardship Committee.

THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE THANKS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!