

# 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, MAY 18, 2025 10:30 AM 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter • Seasonal Colour: White (Gold)

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

#### Opening

Prelude Welcome & Announcements

## Approach to Worship

Call to Worship Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer \* Hymn: *For the beauty of the earth* See & Hear

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

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## 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 neighbour as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

## 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.

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6 2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Lesson: John 13:31-35 Responsive Psalm 148 (See below for responses) (The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*) Sermon: *Making It New* Rev. Byron Kappes \* Hymn: Joyful, joyful we adore you

\* Apostles' Creed (*unison; please stand if able*) (See below)

## Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory

\* 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: *Be thou my vision* 

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#### **Returning to Service**

Commission & Benediction \* Choral Amen Postlude 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: Ruth Kelly-Boxe Scripture Reader: Doreen Scott-Dunne Duty Elder: Felicity Alexander Live Stream: May Jackson Sound & Visuals: Bill & Anna-Marie Dewar

## 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, May 25, 2025 10:30 am 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter • Membership Sunday "What do you want?" Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

## Stewardship Moment

Ninety-nine percent of the time, we have an opportunity to be grateful for something. We just don't notice it. We go through our days in a daze. - *David Stiendl-Rast* 

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#### Hymns for Sunday, May 18, 2025:



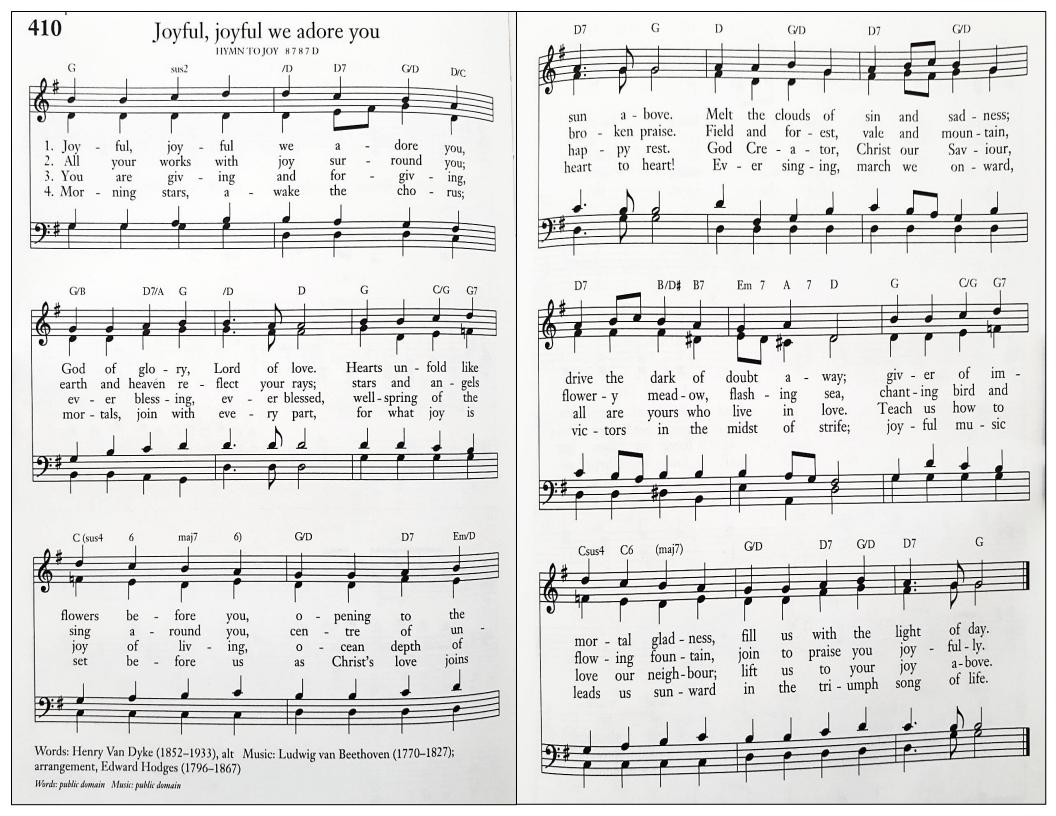
\* The Apostles' Creed: (please stand if able)

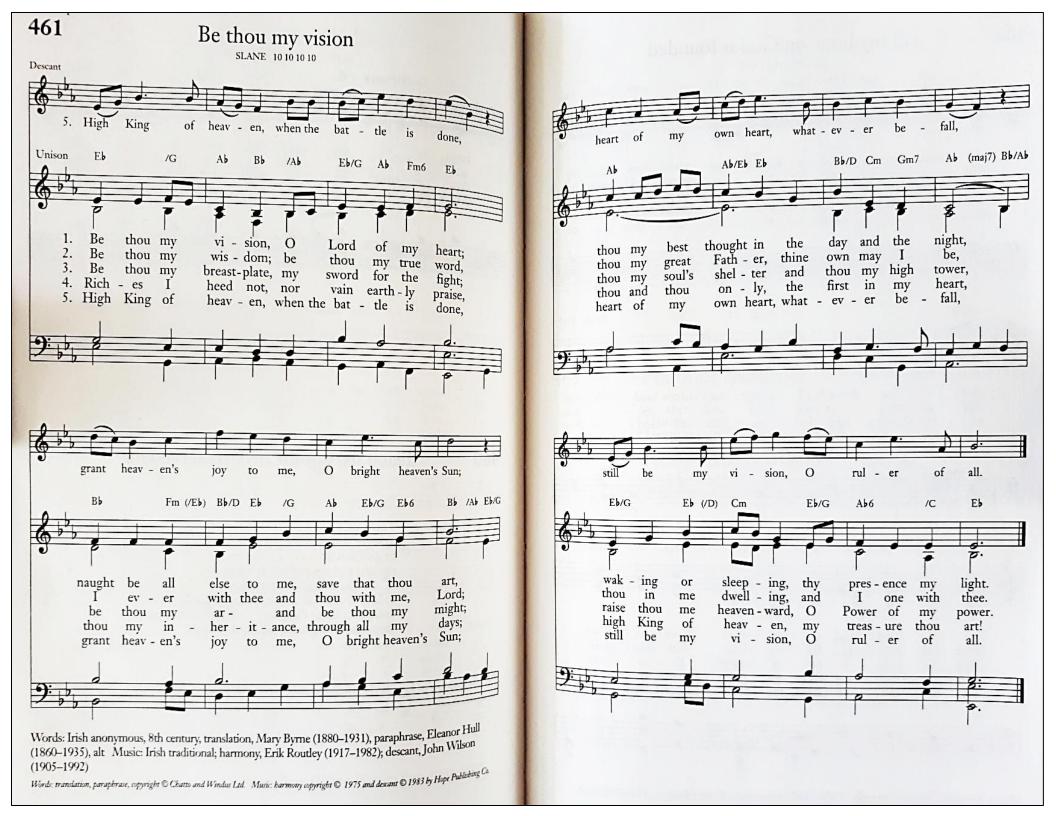
Let us confess our faith together in the words of The Apostles' Creed:

- 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.

**St. Andrew's Nursery – Open Today!** The St. Andrew's Nursery is back! **Starting today**, our Nursery is in operation during worshipping hours every Sunday. Anyone who wishes to have their infant or toddler looked after during worship is free to drop their child off in the Nursery before the service begins, and pick them up after the service. Special pagers are available to take with you in case of emergencies. A huge thanks to James Stratton for volunteering to staff the nursery. If you wish to volunteer, or if you have any questions, please contact Rev. Byron Kappes or Clerk of Session, Debbie Warwick. Volunteers will be required to provide a valid Vulnerable Sector Police Check.





## Readings for Sunday, May 18, 2025:

#### <u>**1**</u><sup>st</sup> Scripture Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6 *New heaven, new earth*

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

## <u>2nd Scripture Lesson</u>: John 13:31-35 Love one another

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

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

#### **<u>Responsive Psalm</u>**: Psalm 148 *God's splendour is over earth and heaven*

- R: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
- C: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
- R: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- C: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- R: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.
- C: He established them for ever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.
- R: Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!
- C: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
- R: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- C: Young men and women alike, old and young together!
- R: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.
- All: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!

## Announcements for Sunday, May 18, 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.

#### Condolences

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of **Rhena Hyma**, who died on May 5. A celebration of life will be held by her family at a later date. Rhena's obituary can be found here: <u>Rhena Hyma obituary</u>.

We also extend our condolences to Shirley Johnston and family on the death of **Kenneth Johnston** on May 9. A funeral was held at St. Andrew's on May 15.

## 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 <u>rev.byronkappes@gmail.com</u>.

## Elders & Volunteers: Have We Got a Job for You!

Elders, friends, volunteers, here is an opportunity to take an active part in the life and work of St. Andrew's. On Sundays, we are always in need of **greeters**, **ushers** and **volunteers to collect the offering** during worship. The only prerequisite is a smile! Please sign the sheet on the Great Hall bulletin board.

**St. Andrew's Games Night – Friday, June 13** Our next **Games Night** is on **Friday, June 13 at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome for a night of fun and games including refreshments. Families are also welcome to join Rev. Byron at 6:45 p.m. before the games night for a short meeting about Family Church Visioning. If you have any questions, feel free to direct them to Rev. Byron, Pam Loree or Kim Shepherd.



Get your BBQ ready! **Macgregors Meat & Seafood** is back, and **order forms** are now available!

An e-blast will be sent out with an order form, product details and pricing. Details are also available on the church website, and printed order forms are in the Great Hall after service. If you have any questions, please contact Maggie at <u>fundraising@standrewsbrampton.ca</u> or 905-790-3433.

**The deadline for orders is Sunday, June 15.** Pick up will be at the church on Thursday, June 26. Payments can be in the form of cash, cheque (payable to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church) or e-transfer to <u>treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca</u>. (For e-transfers, please state it is for the Macgregors Meat & Seafood fundraiser.)

Macgregor's is a third-generation, Canadian-owned, familyrun business since 1949. Proceeds go to the ministries and work of St. Andrew's. The Stewardship Committee thanks you for your support!

#### Faith in ACT!ON 2025

Until Sunday, June 1, collection bins are on the Great Hall stage for your donations of blankets and towels for the **Brampton Animal Shelter** as well as men's and women's toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash, deodorant, etc.) for the **Ontario Correctional Institute** and **Ellen House**.

Please join us for our Faith in ACT!ON **Work Day** on **Saturday, June 7**, when we will be packing up the above donations as well as planting the church gardens. Please bring your own gardening gloves and tools.

The Mission Committee thanks you for your support!