



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 25, 2025 10:30 AM
6th Sunday of Easter • Membership Sunday •
Seasonal Colour: White (Gold)

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

Opening

Prelude: *I Want to be a Christian* African-American Spiritual
Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship
Silent Prayer & Prayer of Adoration

Public Profession of Faith and Reception of New Members

* Hymn: *I have decided to follow Jesus* 570 vs. 1-2
(New members are invited to come to the front.)

The Presentation (See below)

Renunciation and Affirmation

Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Blessing

The Charge

* Hymn: *I have decided to follow Jesus* 570 vs. 3-4
(New members are invited to return to the pews.)

See & Hear

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

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

Choir Anthem: *From A Distance*

J. Gold

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.

Scripture Lesson: John 5:1-9

Responsive Psalm 67 (See below for responses)

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

Sermon: *What do you want?* Rev. Byron Kappes

* Hymn: *Blest be the tie that binds* 481

* Apostles' Creed (*unison*) (See below)

Response and Thanksgiving

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

Offertory: *Lead Me, Lord* S. Wesley

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

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me*

African- American Spiritual

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: Savo Persaud

Duty Elder: Eunice Boyd

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: [St. Andrew's YouTube Channel](#)

Sunday, June 1, 2025 10:30 am 7th Sunday of Easter

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

Hymns for Sunday, May 25, 2025:

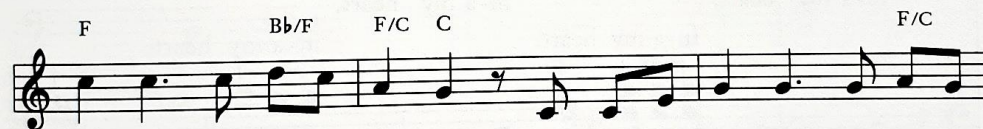
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I have decided to follow Jesus

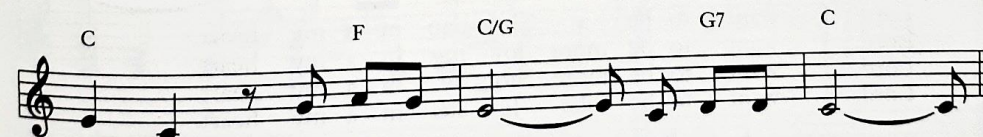
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1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus; I have de -
2. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me; the world be -
3. Though none go with me, I still will fol - low; though none go
4. Will you de - cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de -



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with me, I still will fol - low; though none go with me, I still will
cide now to fol - low Je - sus? Will you de - cide now to fol - low



- Je - sus,
fore me, No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back.
fol - low,
Je - sus?

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Blest be the tie that binds

DENNIS 6 6 8 6 SM



1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2. Be - fore our Mak - er's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3. We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear;
1. Bé - ni soit le li - en qui nous u - nit en Christ,
2. Au ciel, vers no - tre Dieu, a - vec joie et fer - veur,



- the fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
le saint a - mour, l'a-mour di - vin que verse en nous l'Es - prit!
s'é - lè - vent nos chants et nos vœux, par - fum doux au Sei - gneur.



4. When we asunder part,
it gives us keenest pain,
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

3. Nous mettons en commun
nos fardeaux, nos labeurs;
en Jésus nous ne sommes qu'un
dans la joie et les pleurs!

5. This glorious hope revives
our courage on the way:
in perfect friendship we shall live
in God's eternal day.

4. Si nous devons bientôt
quitter ces lieux bénis,
nous nous retrouverons là-haut,
pour toujours réunis.

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I, the Lord of sea and sky

HERE I AM, LORD 14 11 14 11 with refrain (8 9 8 9)

G Am G C/G G D/F#

* 1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo-ple cry.
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em Am7 /B C /B Am F#m/G D D/C

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them: they turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.

G Am/G G C/G G D/F#

I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide, till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em7 Am7/B Am/C/B Am G/B Am7/C Dsus4-3

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

* Verses may be sung by a soloist

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Refrain /F# G Gsus G /B (Am7) G C/E /D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

Cmaj7/G Am C/B Am/C Dsus /F# D7

heard you call-ing in the night; I will

G Gsus G C/E /D G

go, Lord, if you lead me. I will

C/G G Am7 C/D D G C/G D.C. G Fine

hold your peo - ple in my heart.



Reception of New Members May 25, 2025

We would like to welcome the friends and families of
those being admitted into the church this morning
as new members.

Reception of New Members

Today we welcome the following people
whom God has sent to us
so that we might grow to know God together.

By Profession of Faith

Robina Bibi

Haroon Bashir

Saiqa Haroon

Michael John

Qaisra Iqbal

Addan Gill

Amman Michael

Jenifer Michael

Almas Joseph

Tariq Masih

Mobeen Akhtar

*By grace you have been saved through faith;
and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God.*

As Rev. Byron Kappes and Henry Peyer, Clerk of Session,
offer our new Sisters and Brothers in Christ
the right hand of fellowship,
we invite you to give them a warm St. Andrew's welcome
by way of applause!

Readings for Sunday, May 25, 2025:

Scripture Lesson: John 5:1-9 *Jesus Heals on the Sabbath*

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, ‘Do you want to be made well?’ The sick man answered him, ‘Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Stand up, take your mat and walk.’ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 67

The Nations Called to Praise God

R: May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

C: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

R: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

C: **Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

R: The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

All: *May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.*

* 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.**

Announcements for Sunday, May 25, 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. Parents of infants and toddlers are welcome, if they wish, to leave their infants and toddlers at our staffed **Nursery** before worship begins, and pick them up immediately after service; a pager will be supplied in case of emergencies.

Nursery

The St. Andrew's Nursery operates during Sunday worship services. If you wish to volunteer* in the Nursery, contact Rev. Byron Kappes or the Clerk of Session, Debbie Warwick.

**Volunteers must provide a valid Vulnerable Sector Police Check.*

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.

Elders & Volunteers: Have You Signed Up Yet?

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 fundraising@standrewsbrampton.ca 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 treasurer@standrewsbrampton.ca. (For e-transfers, please state it is for the Macgregors Meat & Seafood fundraiser.)

Macgregor's is a third-generation, Canadian-owned, family-run 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!