

# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A COMMUNITY LOVING GOD BY LOVING OUR NEIGHBOURS

At St. Andrew's, Brampton, we: her to know God's love through worship,

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, OCTOBER 26, 2025 10:30 AM 20th Sunday after Pentecost • Seasonal Colour: Green

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

# **Opening**

Prelude: Pastorale

G. Sammartini

Welcome & Announcements

# Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer

\* Hymn: Stand up and bless the Lord

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See & Hear

(The Children are invited to go to their Sunday School classes.)

## The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not always loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not always loved our neighbour as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and graciousness, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has worked your holy will in us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: Changamano (Join Together)

S. Albrecht/J. Althouse

#### 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: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Lesson: Luke 18:9-14

Responsive Psalm 84:1-7 (See below for responses)

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

Sermon: Victory in Defeat Rev. Byron Kappes

\* Hymn: There is a redeemer 358

\* 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: Andante G. P. Telemann

\* 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: Lord, the light of your love is shining

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# Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: We Shall Overcome

Trad. African-American

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

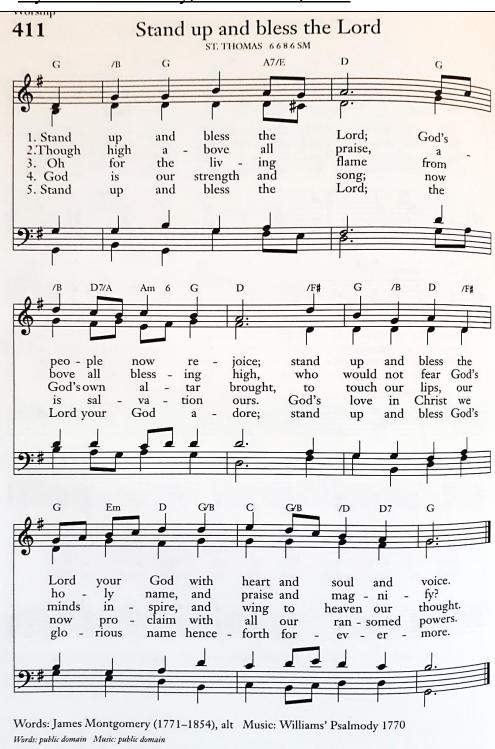
Scripture Reader: Naomi Persaud Duty Elder: Paul Willoughby Refreshments: Lucas Bhim Sound & Visuals: Peter Shepherd

## 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, November 2, 2025 10:30 am 21st Sunday after Pentecost Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

## Hymns for Sunday, October 26, 2025:



## \* The 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.

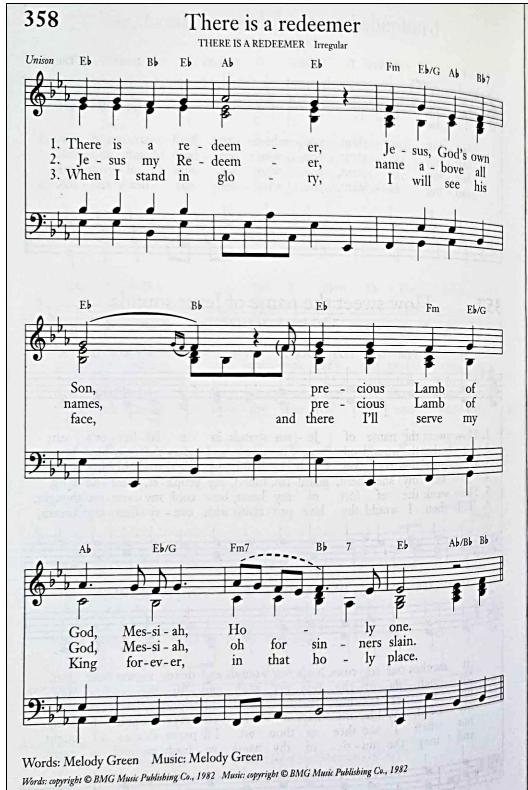
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

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.

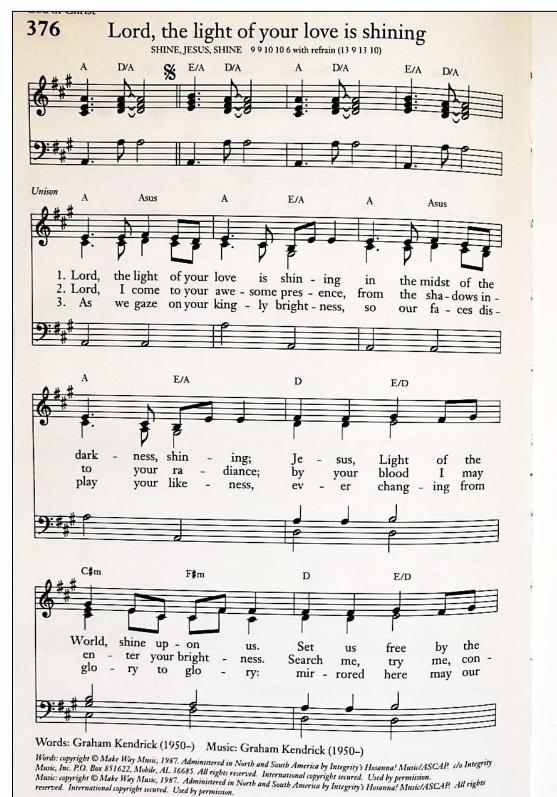
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Bruce the Cookie Man is Back!**

Yes, it's that time of year! Solve your gift-giving and holiday hosting needs with delicious baked goodies from Bruce the Cookie Man. Stay tuned for an e-mail blast with all product, pricing and ordering details.









## Readings for Sunday, October 26, 2025:

1st Scripture Lesson: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Jerusalem will be defeated

Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. O hope of Israel, its saviour in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveller turning aside for the night? Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonour your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

# **2nd Scripture Lesson:** Luke 18:9-14

# Pharisee and tax collector pray

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other

people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 84:1-7 Happy are they whose strength is in you

- R: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- C: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- R: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- C: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- R: As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.
- All: They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

# Announcements for Sunday, October 26, 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. The staffed **Nursery** (Room 106) is available for infants and toddlers during worship; parents will be supplied with a pager.

## Minister's Availability & Pastoral Care

Rev. Byron Kappes is in the Vestry every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon. If you would like to meet with him outside of these hours, please contact Byron for an appointment. He can be reached at 226-998-5606 or <a href="mailto:rev.byronkappes@gmail.com">rev.byronkappes@gmail.com</a>.

## **Project Cozy 2025**

As winter – yes, winter – approaches, we again ask for your help to support **Project Cozy**.

We are looking for 25 sets of hats, mitts or gloves, and scarves, to be donated to the residents of **Ellen House**. Donations of travel-sized shampoo and body wash/shower gel would also be appreciated.

We will also be putting together support bags for the **Ontario Correctional Institute (OCI)**. We need 10 each of the following (travel-sized where applicable): toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash/shower gel, deodorant, mouthwash and combs.

Collection of these items will be held on Sundays from today to November 30, and we'll distribute them at the start of Advent. As we roll onward to Christmas, we have a lot to be thankful for. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (*Acts* 20:35) As always, we thank you in advance for making these initiatives successful!

# Echoes & Embers Campfire: Celebrating 95 Years of Legacy

The CAIRN Family of Camps welcomes all to their 95th anniversary event, *Echoes & Embers: Celebrating 95 Years of Legacy*! Join us for an afternoon of music, storytelling, community and connection as we honour the past and spark the journey to our 100th anniversary.

Location: Trinity Presbyterian Church, York Mills

2737 Bayview Avenue, Toronto

Date: Saturday, November 1, 2025

Time: Doors open at 1:45 p.m.

The event runs from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

# Tickets can be purchased online here.

CAIRN will be hosting a silent auction as part of the event to support future generations of campers. If you would like to make a donation or need more information, please email Victoria Dewar at v.dewar@hotmail.com.

#### Elders & Volunteers - We Need You!

Each Sunday, we need Duty Elders to help before and during worship, and volunteers to serve refreshments after the service. If you can help – occasionally or on a regular basis – we would be most grateful. There is a signup sheet posted on the Great Hall bulletin board. If you're not sure what a Duty Elder does on Sundays, or what's required of refreshment volunteers (it's really very easy!), please speak to any Elder.

## Stewardship Moment

Living is giving. We live life best as we give our strengths, gifts, and competencies in the service of God's mission.

- Dr. Kennon Callahan, author & teacher