



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, NOVEMBER 23, 2025 10:30 AM
Christ the King Sunday • Seasonal Colour: White

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

Opening

Prelude: *Come, Living Lord!*

F. Bock

Welcome & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer

* Hymn: *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

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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: *10,000 Reasons*

arr. L. Larson

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: Colossians 1:11-20

Responsive Psalm 46 (See below for responses)
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *All Things?* Rev. Byron Kappes

* Hymn: *As the deer (sung twice)* 27

* 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: *Jesus Shall Reign* R. Harrison

* 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: *Be thou my vision*

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Corranto*

E. Hooper

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: Kennedy Jackson

Duty Elder: Valerie Warren

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 30, 2025 10:30 am

Advent 1: Hope • Communion

"Hope for the Expected, Hope for the Unexpected"

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

Hymns for Sunday, November 23, 2025:

God the Holy Trinity

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Immortal, invisible, God only wise

ST. DENIO 11 11 11 11

Descant

4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,
 Ab Db Bb Eb Fm Ab/Eb Eb7 Ab

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
 3. To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;
 Ab Db Bb Eb Fm Ab/Eb Eb7 Ab

in light in - ac - cess - i - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

See also: St. Denio 685

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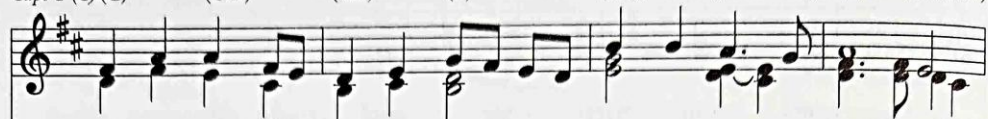
all laud we would ren - der: oh help us to see
 Ab Eb/G Ab /C Ab Fm Ab/C Eb

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: oh help us to see

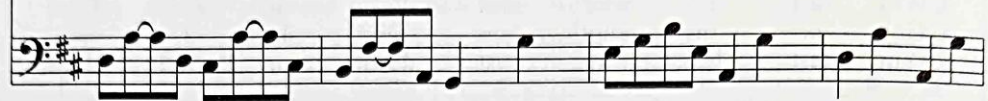
'tis on - ly the splen - dour of light hid - eth thee.
 C Fm Bbm Eb Fm Ab/Eb Eb7 Ab

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and wi - ther, and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dour of light hid - eth thee.

Unison D A/C# Bm G Em Asus A7 D Asus A7
Capo 2 (C) (C) (G/B) (Am) (F) (Dm) (Gsus G7) (C) (Gsus G7)



As the deer pants for the wa-ter so my soul longs aft - er you;



D A/C# Bm G Em7 A7 D
C (G/B) (Am) (F) (Dm7) (G7) (C)



you a - lone are my heart's de - sire, and I long to wor - ship you.



Refrain Bm Bm/A G D G G/F# Em F#sus+F#
Harmony (Am) (Am/G) (F) (C) (F) (F/E) (Dm) (Esus+)(E)



You a - lone are my strength, my shield; to you a - lone may my spir - it yield.



Unison D A/C# Bm G Em7 A7 D
(C) (G/B) (Am) (F) (Dm7) (G7) (C)



You a - lone are my heart's de - sire. and I long to wor - ship you.



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Mark Your Calendars!



Join us on **Friday, December 5** for an exciting evening at St. Andrew's as we host our very first **Messy Church Advent event!** Bring your appetite and your creativity as we gather to celebrate the Season of Advent together.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Activities begin at 6:45pm with dinner, followed by crafts and fun. We'll finish the night with some festive Christmas Karaoke, so start warming up those pipes!

A goodwill offering will be received.

We hope to see you there!

Project Cozy 2025

We are collecting 25 sets of hats, mitts or gloves, and scarves, plus travel-sized shampoo and body wash/shower gel for the residents of **Ellen House**. We also need 10 each of the following (travel-sized where applicable) for the **Ontario Correctional Institute (OCI)**: toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash/shower gel, deodorant, mouthwash and combs. **Please drop your donations off at the church on Sundays until November 30**, and we'll distribute them at the start of Advent. As always, we thank you in advance for making these initiatives successful! – *Mission Committee*

Be thou my vision

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Descant

5. High King of heav - en, when the bat - tle is done,

Unison Eb /G Ab Bb /Ab Eb/G Ab Fm6 Eb

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Be thou my wis - dom; be thou my true word;
 3. Be thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight;
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain earth - ly praise,
 5. High King of heav - en, when the bat - tle is done,

grant heav - en's joy to me, O bright heav - en's Sun;

Bb Fm (/Eb) Bb/D Eb /G Ab Eb/G Eb6 Bb /Ab Eb/G

naught be all else to me, save that thou art,
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 be thou my ar - and be thou my might;
 thou my in - her - it - ance, through all my days;
 grant heav - en's joy to me, O bright heav - en's Sun;

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heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Ab Ab/Eb Eb Bb/D Cm Gm7 Ab (maj7) Bb/Ab

thou my best thought in the day and the night,
 thou my great Fath - er, thine own may I be,
 thou my soul's shel - ter and thou my high tower,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

still be my vi - sion, O rul - er of all.

Eb/G Eb (/D) Cm Eb/G Ab6 /C Eb

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 raise thou me heav - en - ward, O Power of my power.
 high King of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art!
 still be my vi - sion, O rul - er of all.

Readings for Sunday, November 23, 2025:

Scripture Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

A hymn to Christ, firstborn of all creation

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 46

The God of Jacob is our stronghold

R: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

C: **Therefore we will not fear,
though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

R: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

C: **God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

R: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob
is our refuge.

C: **Come, behold the works of the LORD;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.**

R: 'Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.'

*All: The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.*

*** 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.**

Advent/Christmas Letter

Next Sunday, a Christmas mailing from Rev. Byron Kappes will be available for pickup in the Great Hall. The mailing will include a letter, a list of December services and activities, and a special Christmas offering envelope. Be sure to pick yours up on Sunday, November 30!

Blue Christmas

Service of Reflection, Remembrance and Hope

**Wednesday, December 10 • 7:30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**



Christmas is often sold to us as a time of universal joy and celebration. The birth of our Lord and Saviour should be a happy time for everyone, after all! For many, however, the Christmas season can be just as painful as it is cheerful. During a time when family, friends and "togetherness" are so heavily stressed, many of us nonetheless experience the wounds of loss, loneliness and grief all the more keenly.

Understanding that Christmas festivities can often drown out our cries for solace and help, even in the context of the church, St. Andrew's is offering an evening of quiet calm in which to worship and experience our sadness without shame – a space and a time to acknowledge it and to know that we are not alone. During this service, there will be an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of those whom we miss.

Our Blue Christmas service is open to all who seek encouragement and hope. Please feel free to invite family, friends and neighbours to the Sanctuary on Wednesday, December 10 at 7:30 p.m. You will be warmly welcomed.

This service is in-person only and will not be livestreamed.

Announcements for Sunday, November 23, 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.

After worship, we will be decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas! Many hands make light work, so please stay and help us make our sanctuary beautiful for the festive season.



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 rev.byronkappes@gmail.com.

Bruce the Cookie Man is Back!



Solve your gift-giving and holiday hosting needs with delicious baked goodies from Bruce the Cookie Man. By now you will have received an e-blast with all product, pricing and ordering details. Quantities are limited, so please place your online order soon!

Stewardship Moment

"Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude."

- Mary Jo Leddy, writer, speaker, theologian, social activist

ST. ANDREW'S FOOD BANK

Christmas Donation Drive

We are looking for the following donations from the St. Andrew's congregation to help us make up Christmas gift bags for our Food Bank clients:

- New warm winter socks for men, women & kids
- Travel-sized shampoo & conditioner
- Travel-sized hand lotion
- Travel-sized deodorant
- Lip balm
- Brushes & combs
- Disposable razors
- Pocket-sized facial tissue
- Toothbrushes & small toothpaste
- Individually wrapped candies/mini chocolate bars for kids

Red tote bins for your donations will be on the Great Hall stage every Sunday until December 14. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

We will distribute these gift bags to our clients on Wednesday, December 17, which is the last day the Food Bank will be open for 2025. (We will resume on January 7, 2026.)

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Food Bank Committee: Gord Warren, Ian Jess, Graham McWatt, Grace Yates, Tom & Belle Campbell, Herb Eitner, John Collins or Sandra Jackson.