



# 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, JANUARY 11, 2026 10:30 AM  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany • Baptism of the Lord •  
Seasonal Colour: Green

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

## *Opening*

Prelude: *King Herod*

Trad. Catalanian

Welcome & Announcements

## *Approach to Worship*

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer

\* Hymn: *We three kings*

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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: *Refugee King (Away From the Manger)*

B. Benedict

## *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: Matthew 3:13-17

Responsive Psalm 29 (See below for responses)  
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *God is in the Water* Rev. Byron Kappes

\* Hymn: *What star is this* 170

\* 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: *Carol of the Bagpipers* Trad. Sicilian

\* 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: *We've a story to tell to the nations*

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## *Returning to Service*

Commission & Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Song of the Wise Men*

Trad. Puerto Rican

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*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

*Scripture Reader:* Mary-Louise Stratton

*Duty Elder:* Jean Bradshaw

*Sound & Visuals:* Peter Shepherd

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## *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, January 18, 2026 10:30 am***

***2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany***

***"Come and See: Simple Questions, Cryptic Answers"***

***Minister:*** Rev. Byron Kappes

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# Hymns for Sunday, January 11, 2026:

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## We three kings

KINGS OF ORIENT 8 8 8 6 with refrain

Em B 7 Em

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing  
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I  
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense  
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a  
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and

B 7 Em D

gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,  
 bring to crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er,  
 owns a De - i - ty nigh, prayer and prais - ing,  
 life of gath - er - ing gloom, sor - rowing, sigh - ing,  
 God and sac - ri - fice: hal - le - lu - jah,

G G/B G Am Em/B B7 Em

moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.  
 voic - es rais - ing, wor - ship - ping God on high.  
 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
 hal - le - lu - jah, sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain D D7 G C G C G

O star of won - der, star of light, star of roy - al beau - ty bright,  
 west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.

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## What star is this

PUER NOBIS 8 8 8 8 LM

1. What star is this, with beams so bright,  
 2. 'Tis now full-filled what God de-creed,  
 3. O Je - sus, while the star of grace,  
 4. To God the Fa - ther, God of the Son,

more love - ly than the noon - day light?  
 "From Ja - cob shall a star pro - ceed,"  
 im - pels us on to seek your face,  
 and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three - in - One,

'Tis sent to an - nounce a new - born King,  
 and lo! the East - ern sag - es stand  
 let not our sloth - ful hearts re - fuse  
 may eve - ry tongue and na - tion raise

Words: Matthew 2:1-12; paraphrase, Latin, Charles Coffin (1676-1749), translation, Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861; alt, John Chandler (1806-1876) Music: 15th-century carol melody, Pie Cantiones 1582; adaptation, Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harmony, G.R. Woodward (1848-1935)

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glad ti - dings of our God to bring,  
 to read in heaven the Lord's com - mand,  
 the guid - ance of your light to use,  
 an end - less song of thank - ful praise.

## Announcements for Sunday, January 11, 2026

### 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 [rev.byronkappes@gmail.com](mailto:rev.byronkappes@gmail.com).

### Christmas Offering

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Christmas Offering. Please note that any Christmas Offering received on or after January 1 will be receipted in 2026. The Presbyterian Sharing and PWS&D portions of the Christmas Offering will be remitted to the Presbyterian Church at the end of January.

Thank you for your understanding and continued generosity.



## We've a story to tell to the nations

WE'VE A STORY 10 8 8 7 with refrain (9 8 9 7)

Unison Eb Ab/Eb Eb Ab/Eb

1. We've a sto - ry to tell to the na - tions that shall turn their hearts to the  
 2. We've a song to be sung to the na - tions that shall lift their hearts to the  
 3. We've a mes - sage to give to the na - tions, that the Lord who reign - eth a -

right, a sto - ry of truth and mer - cy, a  
 Lord, a song that shall con - quer e - vil and  
 bove hath sent us his Son to save us, and

sto - ry of peace and light, a sto - ry of peace and light,  
 shat - ter the spear and sword, and shat - ter the spear and sword,  
 show us that God is love, and show us that God is love,

Harmony Eb (/Bb) Eb (/Bb) Bb7/D Bb7 (/D)

for the dark - ness shall turn to dawn - ing, and the

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Bb7/F Bb /Ab Eb /G (Bb/AbEb/G) Bb/F Eb /G Absus#4 Adim

dawn - ing to noon - day bright, and Christ's great king - dom shall

come on earth, the king - dom of love and light.

Eb /Bb G/B Cm Fm7 Eb/Bb Bb13 Bb7 Eb

## Church Memorial Update

The congregation has voted, and it has been decided that the church memorial will be a "Tree of Life"-style wall display in the Great Hall. We are now looking to form a "task force" to begin to work on this church memorial tree of life this year. If you are interested in working with the Lead Minister on this project, please contact Rev. Byron Kappes by email at [rev.byronkappes@gmail.com](mailto:rev.byronkappes@gmail.com). All members are invited and welcome to sit on this *ad hoc* committee. We hope to begin meeting within the next month.

## Readings for Sunday, January 11, 2026:

**Scripture Lesson:** Matthew 3:13-17

*Christ revealed as God's Servant*

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

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

**Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 29 *The Voice of God Upon the Waters*

- R: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;  
worship the LORD in holy splendour.
- C: **The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over mighty waters.**
- R: The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.  
The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- C: **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**
- R: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.  
The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- C: **The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,  
and strips the forest bare;  
and in his temple all say, 'Glory!'**

R: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king for ever.

*All: May the LORD give strength to his people!  
May the LORD bless his people with peace!*

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### \* 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.**

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### **Stewardship Moment**

"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare." - C. S. Lewis, author, lay theologian

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