



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, MARCH 1, 2026 10:30 AM
2nd Sunday in Lent • Seasonal Colour: Purple

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

Opening

Prelude: *Come, O Holy Spirit* Church of the Lord, Nigeria
Welcome & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Lenten Liturgy (See PWS&D insert below)
Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer
* Hymn: *Spirit, Spirit of gentleness* 399
See & Hear
(The Children are invited to go to their Sunday School classes.)

The Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation & Unison Prayer of Confession:
Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing and life. Forgive us, we pray, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

*- Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'.
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Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: *Still, My Soul, Be Still* arr. J. Koerts

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (All Readings NRSV; see below)

God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us in the Truth of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you, and live in your love. Amen.

- Mary J. Scifres (<https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/author/mary-j-scifres>)

Scripture Lesson: John 3:1-17

Responsive Psalm 121 (See below for responses)
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *Lent 2: Spring for the Spirit* Rev. Byron Kappes

* Hymn: *Spirit of the living God* 400

* 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: *Rise and Shine* Trad. arr. J. Beckstead

* 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: *When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul* 398

Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *You Gotta Sing When the Spirit Says Sing* Trad.

*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

Clarinet: May Jackson

Percussion: Kennedy Jackson

Senior Choir

Lenten & Scripture Reader: Kim Shepherd

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, March 8, 2026 10:30 am

3rd Sunday in Lent • Band Sunday

"Lent 3: Water in the Desert"

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes



Second Sunday in Lent

One: God's covenant continued through Abram and Sarai.
God promised that things would change.

All: **Even Abram and Sarai's names changed as a sign
of God's constant presence with them.**

One: The promise that God made is our promise too:
When we journey with God, God will make us fruitful
and the people of faith will increase.

All: **May we embrace the changes that leave power,
might and pride behind.**

Assurance:

One: May the God of the covenant love us so much that
we cannot stay the same.

All: **May Christ, who called people to give up everything
and follow him, also compel us to follow him.**

One: May the Holy Spirit of comfort assure us that
in every change, God is faithful.

All: **May we hear the call of the God
of covenant and change.**



THE DEVELOPMENT AND RELIEF AGENCY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

From Despair to Hope in Malawi



Peter Simon is a 56-year-old father of four from Kumbewe Village in Malawi's Balaka district. Like many families in its southern region, Peter's life became more difficult when El Niño-induced droughts and floods affected the country.

"I watched almost all my fields get washed away. The little that was left did not survive," Peter shared. "Farming, which used to sustain my family, was no longer reliable."

As food became scarce and maize prices soared beyond his family's reach, Peter's once stable life began to spiral.

However, a ray of hope emerged through the El Niño Emergency Response Program. With support from PWS&D and Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Peter's family and 1,700 other households received monthly cash transfers to help meet their needs.

"The cash transfer changed everything," Peter said with a smile. "I was able to buy food for my family, pay my children's school fees and slowly rebuild my life. Just look at me now—so healthy!"

**This Lenten season, faithfully respond with PWS&D to bring hope to
disaster-stricken families by providing emergency food.**



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Lent, Holy Week & Easter at St. Andrew's

Sunday, March 8 10:30 am *3rd Sunday in Lent*
Band Sunday • "Lent 3: Water in the Desert"

Sunday, March 15 10:30 am *4th Sunday in Lent*
"Lent 4: Wisdom and Vision"

Sunday, March 22 10:30 am *5th Sunday in Lent*
"Lent 5: The Neverending Story"

Sunday, March 29 10:30 am *Palm Sunday*
Palm Parade • "Eye of the Tiger"

Thursday, April 2 7:00 pm *Maundy Thursday*
Communion (I) • "A New Commandment"

Friday, April 3 11:00 am *Good Friday*
"Finished"

Sunday, April 5 10:30 am *Easter Sunday*
Communion (D) • Band Sunday • "Upside-down"

RightNow Media & E-blasts

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Stewardship Moment

"You can't have a perfect day without doing something for someone who'll never be able to repay you."

- *John Wooden, basketball player and coach*

Hymns for Sunday, March 1, 2026:

399 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness
SPIRIT, SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS Irregular

Unison
Refrain D G A D

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the
Souf - fle, vent doux du Saint-Es - prit; ta grâ - ce

Bm E Asus4 - 3

wil - der - ness, call - ing and free.
me con - duit hors du dé - sert.

D G A D

Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from
Souf - fle, grand vent du Saint-Es - prit, se - coue notre

Bm G A7 D G D Fine

pla - cid - ness, Wind, Wind on the sea.
a - pa - thie, vent, vent sur la mer.

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Verses

D G A G

1. You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the
 2. You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the
 3. You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
 4. You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient

D Bm Bm7

deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
 sand, and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
 hill; then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
 schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the

E Asus4 - 3 D

val - leys of sleep, and o - ver the
 law and a land, and when they were
 whole world was still, and down in the
 cap - tives dream dreams; our wom - en see

G A G D

ae - ons you called to each thing: —
 blind - ed with their i - dols and lies, then you
 ci - ty you called once a - gain, when you
 vi - sions, our men clear their eyes; with

Bm G

wake from your slum - bers
 spoke through your proph - ets
 blew through your peo - ple
 bold new de - ci - sions

A7 D G A D.C.

and rise on your wings.
 to o - pen their eyes.
 on the rush of the wind.
 your peo - ple a - rise.

1. Tu formas la terre,
 Esprit créateur;
 tu dressas les montagnes
 en gloire et splendeur.
 À travers les âges,
 tu crias à tous vents:
 «Déployez vos ailes,
 sortez du néant.»
 Refrain:

2. Tu choisis un peuple;
 poussé par ta voix,
 il quitta l'esclavage
 vers une terre et une loi.
 Et quand il fut trompé
 par des illusions,
 tu donnas aux prophètes
 tes saintes visions.
 Refrain:

3. Tu chantas dans l'étable,
 tu gémiss sur la croix;
 tu rompis le silence,
 par un souffle de joie.
 Et puis, dans les villes,
 tu nous envoyas
 le vent d'une tempête
 qui nous ranima.
 Refrain:

4. Esprit, tu écrases
 l'ancien désespoir;
 tu dévoiles à l'esclave
 le chemin de l'espoir.
 Les femmes et les hommes
 reçoivent ta vision,
 ton peuple se lève,
 avec décision.
 Refrain:

Spirit of the living God

SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD 12 12 8 12

F C F B \flat F C F F/A

1. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Spir - it of the
2. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, move a - mong us all; make us one in

C7/G F B \flat Gm F/C C F B \flat F G G 7

liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Melt me, mould me, fill me,
heart and mind; make us one in love: hum - ble, car - ing, self - less,

C C7 F C F B \flat F/C C7 F

use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me!
shar - ing. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fill our lives with love!

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When the spirit of the Lord
moves in my soul

LIKE DAVID THE SHEPHERD 11 8 with repeats and refrain (4 8 4 8)

Gm D Gm

1. When the Spir - it of the Lord moves in my soul, like
2. When the Spir - it of the Lord moves in my soul, like
1. Quand le Saint - Es - prit de Dieu rem - plit mon âme, je
2. Quand le Saint - Es - prit de Dieu rem - plit mon âme, je

D7 Gm Cm Gm

Da - vid the shep - herd, I sing. I sing, I sing, like
Da - vid the sin - ner, I pray. I pray, I pray, like
chante comme Da - vid le ber - ger. Je chan - te, je chan - te, je
prie comme Da - vid le pé - cheur. Je pri - e, je pri - e, je

1. D7 Gm 2. D7 Gm

Da - vid the Shep - herd, I sing. Da - vid the Shep - herd, I sing.
Da - vid the sin - ner, I pray. Da - vid the sin - ner, I pray.
chante comme Da - vid le ber - ger. chante comme Da - vid le ber - ger.
prie comme Da - vid le pé - cheur. prie comme Da - vid le pé - cheur.

3. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the victor, I dance.
I dance, I dance, like David the victor, I dance.
4. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the poet, I praise.
I praise, I praise, like David the poet, I praise.
3. Quand le Saint-Esprit de Dieu remplit mon âme,
je danse comme David le vainqueur.
Je danse, je danse, je danse comme David le vainqueur.
4. Quand le Saint-Esprit de Dieu remplit mon âme,
j'exalte comme David le poète.
J'exalte, j'exalte, j'exalte comme David le poète.

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Readings for Sunday, March 1, 2026:

Scripture Lesson: John 3:1-17 *Nicodemus Visits Jesus*

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 121 *The Lord Watches over you*

R: I lift up my eyes to the hills —
from where will my help come?
C: **My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**
R: He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.
C: **He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**
R: The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
C: **The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**
R: The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
*All: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time on and for evermore.*

* 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.**

Announcements for Sunday, March 1, 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.

The **Lent & Easter congregational letter** from Rev. Byron Kappes is available for pickup in the Great Hall today. Any remaining letters will be mailed this coming week, so please help us reduce costs by picking your copy up today. Elders are encouraged to deliver to those in your Area who are unable to get their copies themselves. Thank you.

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.

Messy Church - Friday, March 27, 6:45 pm - 9:00 pm

Back by popular demand! All are welcome to our **Messy Lent** event on March 27, the Friday before Holy Week. There will be egg painting, palm cross making and other fantastic activities. We will also be celebrating a "Messy Communion", and eating gourmet soups and cookies! Doors open at 6:45 pm. For more details, please talk to Kim Shepherd or Rev. Byron Kappes.



World Day of Prayer 2026

Please join us for the World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience through the life events of Christians from other countries and cultures, and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. The 2026 service was written by the Nigerian World Day of Prayer committee.

I Will Give You Rest: Come

Service location: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
44 Church Street E., Brampton, ON

Date/Time: **Friday, March 6, 2026 at 2:00 pm**

More information is available from:

This service is organized by: Downtown churches of
Brampton - Ecumenical Service



The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

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