

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026 10:30 AM
4th Sunday of Easter • Annual General Meeting

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

Opening

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer

* Hymn: *The church's one foundation* 479

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



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.*

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: Acts 2:42-47

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 23 (See responses below)
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *Koinonia: What Do We Have in Common?*

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

* 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 are God's people*

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude

*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: Bonnie Bunkis

Senior Choir

Scripture Reader: Debbie Warwick

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, May 3, 2026 10:30 am

5th Sunday of Easter • Baptism Sunday

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

Hymns for Sunday, April 26, 2026:

The Church

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The church's one foundation

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D G/D D /A A/G D/F# G6 D/A A7 D

1. The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
 2. Called forth from every nation, yet one over all the earth,
 3. Though with a scornful wonder the world sees us oppressed,
 1. L'église univér-selle a pour roc Jé-sus-Christ;
 2. L'église en sa pri-ère u-nit à leur Sau-veur

A7/E D/F# Daug/F# F#7 /G G A6' Gmaj7/B A/C# D E7/B A

we are his new creation by water and the word;
 our charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth,
 by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
 elle est l'oeuvre nouvelle que sa parole fit.
 les peuples de la terre, soumis au seul Seigneur.

D A7/E D/F# G D/F# Bm /F# (F#/E) Bm/D B/D# Em

from heaven he came and sought us that we might ever be
 one holy name professing and at one table fed,
 yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Ha-bi-tant le ciel même, il vint se l'attaché,
 C'est son nom qu'elle accueille, son pain qui la nourrit;

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A/C# D G/D D Gmaj7 G6 G Em7 Asus4-3 D

his living servant people, by his own death set free.
 to one hope we are pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.
 But soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
 et, par un don suprême, mourut pour la sauver!
 elle verra se à toute à-mè l'es-poir qui la guérira.

4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
 and tumult of our war,
 we wait the consummation
 of peace forevermore;
 till with the vision glorious
 our longing eyes are blest,
 and the great church victorious
 shall be the church at rest.
3. Honnie et méconnue,
 menant de durs combats,
 elle attend la venue
 de la paix ici-bas.
 Contemplant par avance
 la fin de son tourment,
 la grande délivrance,
 le repos permanent.
5. We now on earth have union
 with God the Three-in-One,
 and share, through faith, communion
 with those whose rest is won,—
 O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we,
 like them, the meek and lowly,
 on high may dwell with thee.
4. Aujourd'hui, sur la terre,
 elle est unie à Dieu,
 et, par un saint mystère,
 aux élus du saint lieu.
 Rends-nous, comme eux, fidèles,
 et reçois-nous, Seigneur,
 dans la vie éternelle,
 dans l'éternel bonheur!

Hungarian

1. Az egyháznak a Jézus a fundamentoma,
 A szent Igére épült fel lelki temploma.
 Leszállt a mennyből hívni és eljegyezni őt,
 Megváltva drága vérében a váltásban hívót.
2. Kihívott minden néphől egy lelki népet itt,
 Kit egy úr, egy keresztség és egy hit egyesít.
 Csak egy nevet magasztal, csak egy cél vonja őt,
 és egy terített asztal ad neki új erőt.
3. A világ fejedelme feltámad ellene,
 Vagy hamis tudománytól gyaláztatik neve,
 S míg egykor felderl majd az Úrnak hajnala,
 Csak virrasztói kérdik: Meddig az éjszaka?
4. Sok bajban, küzdelemben meghajszolt, megvetett,
 De szent megújulásért és békéért eped,
 Míg látomása egykor dicsőn beteljesl
 S a győzedelmes egyház Urával egyesül.
5. A három-egy Istennel már itt a földön egy,
 S az üdvözült sereggel egy nép és egy sereg
 Ó mily áldott reménység: Ha itt időnk lejár,
 Te boldog szenteiddel fenn Nálad béke vár!

Blest be the tie that binds

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F C 7 F F7 Bb F C

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,

C 7 F C 7 F Bb F Bb F/C C7 F

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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Faith in ACTION is Back!

For the month of May, we are asking the congregation for your help as we once again put our **Faith into ACTION**:

- We will be collecting **clean blankets and towels** for the Brampton Animal Shelter.
- We are also looking for 10 sets of the following travel-sized items for the men of the Ontario Correctional Institute (OCI): **body wash, deodorant, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream and combs.**
- For Ellen House, we are seeking **women's toiletries**, either full- or travel-size.

Bins for your donations will be on the Great Hall stage starting in May.

Our **Work Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, June 6**:

- We need volunteers to help assemble and pack the donated items. This will take place on the Great Hall stage in the morning.
- Also in the morning, we will be asking for our **green thumb folks** to help with planting the church garden.

We sincerely thank you for all your help. We can't put our **Faith into ACTION** without you!

- Mission Committee



We are God's people

SYMPHONY 11 11 14 8 9

Unison F C /Bb F/A Bb F F C F C

1. We are God's peo - ple, the cho - sen of the Lord,
 2. We are God's loved ones, the bride of Christ our Lord,
 3. We are the bod - y of which the Lord is head,
 4. We are a tem - ple, the Spir - it's dwell - ing place,

F C /Bb F/A Bb F C F C

born of the Spir - it, es - tab - lished by the word; our
 for we have known it, the love of God out - poured; now
 called to o - bey him, now ris - en from the dead; he
 formed in great weak - ness, a cup to hold God's grace; a -

Cm Gm/Bb A7 /C# Dm /C Bb

cor - ner - stone is Christ a - lone, and strong in him we stand: oh
 let us learn how to re - turn the gift of love once given: oh
 wills us be a fam - i - ly, di - verse yet tru - ly one: oh
 lone, we die, for on its own each em - ber los - es fire: yet

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C /Bb Gm C F G C Bb/C/Bb Gm F/A Bbmaj7 Gm F/C C F

let us live trans - par - ent - ly, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.
 let us share each joy and care and live with a zeal that pleas - es heaven.
 let us free - ly give our gifts, and so shall God's work on earth be done.
 joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to in - spire.

Brampton Presbytery

Tuesday, April 28 • 7:00 p.m.

This Tuesday, April 28, St. Andrew's Brampton will be hosting the monthly meeting of Brampton Presbytery. Before the meeting, there will be a service of worship with communion and a special recognition of Rev. Emma Duncan who has recently been appointed a General Presbyter of the Presbytery of Brampton. Rev. Duncan will also be preaching. All are welcome to attend the service and meeting in support of Rev. Duncan, who has a long history with this church. Worship will begin at 7:00 p.m. with meeting to follow. Congratulations, Rev. Duncan!

Baptism Sunday

Next Sunday, May 3, we will be celebrating the baptisms of Meagan Reid and her newborn baby William DeSouza, as well as the baptisms of Jasmine Kappes and Markus Kappes. Join us for this baptism Sunday!

Readings for Sunday, April 26, 2026:

Scripture Lesson: Acts 2:42-47 *The believer's common life*

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 23 *My head anointed with oil*

R: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

C: **He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.**

R: He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

C: **Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff – they comfort me.**

R: You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

*All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long.*

* 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.**

Stewardship Moment

“If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, ‘thank you,’ that would suffice.”

- Meister Eckhart, philosopher, theologian

Announcements for Sunday, April 26, 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 **Annual General Meeting** will be held in the Sanctuary following the service.

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.

Annual General Meeting Sunday, April 26, 2026

The St. Andrew's **Annual General Meeting** will be held **today** in the Sanctuary immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. The **2025 Annual Report** and **Financial Statements** are available for pickup in the Great Hall; please take one copy per household. A link to the meeting livestream is available on our [website](#).

Families – Mark Your Calendars!

Full-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) is returning to St. Andrew's **from July 13–17** for children aged 5 to 14! We're planning an exciting week filled with games, creativity, faith, and friendship – something for everyone to enjoy. It's going to be a fun and meaningful experience your kids won't want to miss! Stay tuned – more details are coming soon!

Coming in May – Evening Adult Bible Study

Looking for encouragement, connection, and a fresh spark in your faith? Join us for our ***Overcomer Bible Study***!

Together, we'll dive into Scripture, share meaningful conversation, and discover how God equips us to rise above life's challenges with strength, hope, and purpose. Each gathering is a chance to grow, be inspired, and support one another along the journey.

Whether you're new to Bible study or have been attending for years, there's a place for you here.

Come ready to be encouraged, uplifted, and renewed—because in Christ, we are more than overcomers!

Please let Kim Shepherd or Doreen Scott-Dunne know if you will be attending or have any questions. We hope to see you there!!

Wednesday, May 20 Watch movie 7:00 pm-9:30 pm

**The Bible Study portion will be in the Parlour
from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**

Wednesday, June 3 Session One: Who Are You?

Wednesday, June 10 Session Two: You Are Broken

Wednesday, June 17 Session Three: You Are Chosen

Wednesday, June 24 Session Four: You Surrender

