



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, JUNE 28, 2026 10:30 A.M.
Seventh Sunday of Easter ~ The Sacrament of
Holy Communion ~ Seasonal Colour: Green

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

Opening

Prelude: *To Abraham and Sarah (I Will Be Your God)* J. Fetter
Welcome & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship
Prayer of Adoration & Silent Prayer
* Hymn: *Word of God, across the ages* 497

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

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.

First Scripture Lesson: Genesis 22:1-14

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

Sermon: *On the Strength of the Absurd* Rev. Byron Kappes

* * Communion Hymn: *Jesus calls us here to meet him* 528 v 1-2

Holy Communion by Intinction

* Communion Hymn: *Jesus calls us here to meet him* 528 v 3-4

* Apostles' Creed (*unison*) (See below)

Response and Thanksgiving

Offering Announcement

Offertory: : *Musette* M. Delalande

* 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: *All the way my savior leads me*

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Marche Royale*

J. Lully

*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: 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, July 5, 2026 10:30 a.m.

Baptism Sunday

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

Guest Minister: Rev. Emma Duncan

Hymns for Sunday, June 28, 2026:

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Word of God, across the ages

AUSTRIA 8787D

E♭ B♭ B♭7/D E♭ B♭7 E♭ A♭ E♭/G B♭7/D E♭

1. Word of God, a - cross the a - ges comes your mes - sage
 2. Sto - ry of our won - drous jour - ney from the shad - ows
 3. In the tongues of all the peo - ples may the mes - sage

A♭6 C♭/A B♭ E♭ B♭ B♭7/D E♭ B♭7 E♭

to our life, source of hope, for - ev - er pres - ent
 of the night, gar - nered truth of sage and proph - et,
 bless and heal, as de - vout and pa - tient schol - ars

A♭ E♭/G B♭7/D E♭ A♭6 C♭/A B♭ E♭/B♭ B♭ B♭7/D E♭ B♭

in our toil and fears and strife, con - stant wit - ness to God's mer - cy,
 guid - ing for - ward in - to light, words and deeds of Christ our tea - cher,
 more and more its depths re - veal. Bless, O God, to wise and sim - ple,

See also: Austria 483

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E♭/G A♭6 C♭ F7 B♭ E♭/G A♭ E♭/G

still our grace, what - e'er be - fall, guide un - fail - ing,
 point - ing to the life and way, still ap - peal - ing,
 all your truth of age - less worth, till all lands re -

A♭ (E♭/G)B♭7/D E♭ B♭ /A♭ E♭/G A♭6 E♭/G B♭ 7 E♭

strength e - ter - nal, of - fered free - ly to us all.
 still in - spir - ing, in the strug - gles of to - day.
 ceive the wit - ness and your know - ledge fills the earth.

Jesus calls us here to meet him

JESUS CALLS US 8787D

Unison F Gm7 F/A Bb6 Am7

1. Je - sus calls us here to meet him as, through
 2. Je - sus calls us to con - fess him Word of
 3. Je - sus calls us to each oth - er: found in
 4. Je - sus calls us to his ta - ble root - ed

Dm Gm7 Csus4 - 3 F Gm7

word and song and prayer, we af - firm God's
 Life and Lord of all, shar - er of our
 him are no di - vides. Race and class and
 firm in time and space, where the church in

F/C Bb6 Am7 Dm Gm7 Csus4 - 3

prom - ised pres - ence where his peo - ple live and care.
 flesh and frail - ness sav - ing all who fail or fall.
 sex and lan - guage: such are bar - riers he de - rides.
 earth and heav - en finds a com - mon meet - ing place.

F Cm F Dm Bb6

Praise the God who keeps his* prom - ise; praise the
 Tell his ho - ly hu - man sto - ry; tell his
 Join the hands of friend and strang - er; join the
 Share the bread and wine, his bod - y; share the

Am7 Gm7 Csus4 - 3 F Gm7

Son who calls us friends; praise the Spir - it
 tales that all may hear; tell the world that
 hands of age and youth; join the faith - ful
 love of which we sing; share the feast for

F/A Bb6 Am7 Dm Gm7 F

who, a - mong us, to our hopes and fears at - tends.
 Christ in glo - ry came to earth to meet us here.
 and the doubt - er in their com - mon search for truth.
 saints and sin - ners host - ed by our Lord and King.

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All the way my Saviour leads me

ALL THE WAY 8 7 8 7 D

1. All the way my Sav-iour leads me; what have I to ask be-side?
 2. All the way my Sav-iour leads me, cheers each wind-ing path I tread,
 3. All the way my Sav-iour leads me, oh the full-ness of his love!

Can I doubt his ten-der mer-cy who through life has been my guide?
 gives me grace for eve-ry tri-al, feeds me with the liv-ing bread.
 Per-fect rest to me is prom-ised in my Fa-ther's house a-bove.

Heaven-ly peace, di-vin-est com-fort, here by faith in him to dwell;
 Though my wea-ry steps may fal-ter, and my soul a-thirst may be,
 When my spir-it, clothed im-mor-tal, wings its flight to realms of day,

for I know, what-e'er be-fall me Je-sus do-eth all things well.
 gush-ing from the rock be-fore me lo, a spring of joy I see.
 this my song through end-less a-ges, "Je-sus led me all the way!"

Chords: Ab Eb (D♭) Ab/C Ab D♭/Ab Ab Eb7 Fm Ab/E♭Eb B♭ 7 Eb (E♭7) Ab (D♭/Ab) (/C Eb) Ab D♭ (Ab) Eb Ab7 D♭6 Ab/E♭ Eb7 Ab

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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**

Readings for Sunday, June 28, 2026:

First Scripture Lesson: Genesis 22:1-14

The testing of Abraham

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. And the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." And the two of them walked on together.

When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a

thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide," as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 46

- 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,**
- R: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- C: **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- R: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
- C: **The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts.**
- R: 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.**
- R: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
- C: **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.*
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ONLY 7 SPOTS REMAINING!

COME AND JOIN US for this year's VBS Adventure – Rainforest Falls. We will be exploring the vibrant Rainforest, filled with waterfalls and colourful creatures emphasizing that God is Creator, All-Knowing, our Refuge Love and Forever. We will learn daily Bible points about God's love, through songs, Bible stories, crafts, games and friendship.

WHEN: Mon. July 13 through to Fri. July 17, 2026

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church,
44 Church Street East.

COST: \$10 per child, or \$20 per family (3 or more kids)

TO REGISTER, please contact Kim Shepherd at:
sundayschool@standrewsbrampton.ca.

Announcements for Sunday, June 28, 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.

Summer Offering

With summer upon us—and many heading off on weekend getaways or enjoying time at the cottage—the Stewardship Committee invites you to consider joining Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR). The work of the church continues throughout the summer, and our ongoing ministries rely on regular weekly offerings. If you'd like to sign up for PAR or learn more, please speak with our Envelope Secretaries, who would be happy to help you get set up.

Stewardship Moment

Stewardship is not something we can put on or take off as the seasons change. Stewardship, like faith, must be woven into the fabric of our lives.

Gregory Coulter, professor of philosophy