



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 1, 2026 10:30 A.M.
23rd Sunday after Pentecost ~ Seasonal Colour: Green

(* Those who are able are invited to stand. Responsive text is in bold.)

Opening

Prelude: *Blessed Is He*

B. Cabena

Welcome & Announcements

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

* Hymn: *Praise my soul O King of heaven*

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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: *Blest Are They*

D. Haas

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 5:1-12

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (See responses below)
(The Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God.*)

Sermon: *You are Blessed* Rev. Byron Kappes

* Hymn: *I am the church! You are the church!* 475

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

Response and Thanksgiving

Offering Announcement

Offertory: *Bless the Lord* M. Baughen

* 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: *Will your anchor hold*

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Returning to Service

Commission & Benediction

* Choral Amen

Postlude: *Rigaudon*

A. Campra

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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

Sound & Visuals: Peter Shepherd

Duty Elder: June Young

Coffee Fellowship: Wilma & Barend Zinkweg

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 8, 2026 10:30 a.m.

Remembrance Day Service ~ Sermon: Justice like Water

Minister: Rev. Byron Kappes

Hymns for Sunday, November 1, 2026:

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Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

PRAISE, MY SOUL 8 7 8 7 8 7

Unison

D A7/E D/F# G 6 D /C# G/B D/A G A Bm Em A /G

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his feet thy trib-ute bring;

F# /E Bm/D F#7/C# Bm b5 E7sus Ddim A/C# E A D /F# D6 E7 A 7

ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who like me his praise should sing?

Bm A7/C# D Em6 F#dim G6 A7sus4-3 D

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev-er - last-ing King.

Harmony

D A7/E D/F# Gsus2-1 D G/B D G D/F# Bm Em A 7

2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vour to our fath-ers in dis-tress;
4. Frail as sum-mer's flower we flour - ish; blows the wind and it is gone,

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F# /A# Bm F# /C# Bm/D B7/D# E7sus Fdim F#m E7/G# A D/F# D6 E7 A

praise him, still the same for ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;
but, while mor-tals rise and per-ish, God en-dures un - chang-ing on:

D/F# G A7 Bm (A/B) A7/C# Bm/D A/E G 6 D/A A D

praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo-rious in his faith-ful-ness.
praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the high e - ter-nal One.

Unison

D /C# Bm6 C#7sus4-3 F#m B7 Em B7/F# Em/G Am Am6/C Baug Em A7

3. Fath-er-like he tends and spares us; well our fee-ble frame he knows;
in his hands he gent-ly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes:



ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH ARE WELCOME!!

Want to be part of the fun? We'd love to have you join this amazing ministry! Please speak with Kim Shepherd, our Sunday School Superintendent, to learn how you can help.

We are thrilled to welcome babies and toddlers to our nursery each week - their giggles and energy bring so much life to our Sundays. We are looking for volunteers who feel called to help care for our littlest ones, if you feel called to assist in the nursery please speak to Kim Shepherd.

Youth Class will resume in the Parlour on Sunday, November 15, and our next 4 week study will begin with a discussion on the Holy Spirit and the fruit of the spirit.

Sunday School Christmas Pageant

Get ready for a joyful celebration! This year's Sunday School Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 6th. To help bring the story to life, we are looking to borrow toy cameras and business suit jackets for the day. If you have any of these items to share, please speak with Kim Shepherd.

The fun will continue after worship, when the Sunday School hosts Coffee Fellowship! Come enjoy some refreshments, share in the excitement, and say hello to our amazing children and youth. We would love to see you there!

I am the church! You are the church!

PORT JERVIS 7 7 8 6 with refrain

Refrain

G Em7

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to -

C/D D7 G Em

geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,

Am D Bm Em C/G G Fine

all a-round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

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Verses G C C6

1. The church is not a build-ing; the church is not a stee-ple;
2. We're man - y kinds of peo - ple, with man - y kinds of fac - es,
3. Some-times the church is march-ing; some-times it's brave - ly burn-ing;
4. And when the peo - ple gath - er, there's sing-ing and there's pray-ing;
5. At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re - ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it

D G C6 D D.C.

the church is not a rest - ing place; the church is a peo - ple.
all col - ours and all a - ges, too, from all times and plac - es.
some-times it's rid - ing, some-times hid - ing; al - ways it's learn-ing.
there's laugh-ing and there's cry - ing some-times, all of it say-ing:
and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

Stand up and bless the Lord

ST. THOMAS 6 6 8 6 SM

Chords: G, /B, G, A7/E, D, G, /B, D7/A, Am 6, G, D, /F#, G, /B, D, /F#, G, Em, D, G/B, C, G/B, /D, D7, G

Lyrics:
 1. Stand up and bless the Lord; God's
 2. Though high a - bove all praise, a -
 3. Oh for the liv - ing flame from
 4. God is our strength and song; now
 5. Stand up and bless the Lord; the

peo - ple now re - jice; stand up and bless the
 bove all bless - ing high, who would not fear God's
 God's own al - tar brought, to touch our lips, our
 is sal - va - tion ours. God's love in Christ we
 Lord your God a - dore; stand up and bless God's

Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.
 ho - ly name, and praise and mag - ni - fy
 minds in - spire, and wing to heaven our thought.
 now pro - claim with all our ran - somed powers.
 glo - rious name hence - forth for - ev - er - more.

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Readings for Sunday, November 1, 2026:

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

R: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C: **My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.**

R: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

C: **I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**

R: Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

C: This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord and was saved from every trouble.

R: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

C: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

R: O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

C: The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

All: The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

*** 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**

The Week of Sunday, November 1st at St. Andrew's

All submissions are due at the office no later than 9:30 am Thursdays and can be sent to: office@standrewsbrampton.ca

Sunday, Nov.	1st	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
			<i>Sermon: You are Blessed</i>
		1:00 p.m.	Southeast Asian Worship
Monday	2nd	7:30 p.m.	Session (Session Room)
Tuesday	3rd	1:00 p.m.	WMS (in the Parlour)
Wednesday	4th	12:00 p.m.	Food Cupboard
Thursday	5th	1:00 p.m.	Envelope Secretaries
		7:00 p.m.	New Hope (NA)
		7:00 p.m.	Leap of Faith
		8:00 p.m.	Sr. Choir
Friday	6th	6:30 p.m.	
Saturday	7th	9:00 a.m.	Seventh Day Adventist
		9:00 a.m.	Ties That Bind
		7:00 p.m.	Spiritual Progress Group
Sunday Nov	8th	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
			<i>Remembrance Day Service</i>
			<i>Sermon: Justice like Water</i>
		1:00 p.m.	Southeast Asian Worship

Stewardship Moment

"Gratitude changes the pangs of memory into a tranquil joy."

— **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**, *Letters and Papers from Prison*

Do you love a Mystery?

Looking for something fun to brighten the winter months? Join the St. Andrews Mystery Dinners! On the first Saturday of January, February, and March, participants will either host or attend a dinner – with one delightful surprise: you won't know who is coming until the evening unfolds. Then, in April, everyone will gather at the church for a potluck celebration. The program works best with at least 24 participants, so invite a friend and join the fun!

Are you ready for a little mystery and a lot of good food and fellowship? We would love to organize the program again this winter if there is enough interest.

Please email the church office by November 28 to let us know you're interested: Office@standrewsbrampton.ca. We hope you'll join us!



Join us on **Friday, December 4** for an exciting evening at St. Andrew's as we host our **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., and 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!

Announcements for Sunday, November 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.

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 905-451-1723, Ext. 201 or rev.byronkappes@standrewsbrampton.ca. **Please give lead minister a window of 24 hours to respond to a call or email.**

Annual Congregational Budget Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Budget Meeting will take place immediately following worship on Sunday, November 15, 2026. All members are warmly encouraged to attend.

2026 Elder Elections

The 2026 Elder Elections are underway and will close on Sunday, November 15, 2026, immediately following the annual Budget Meeting. All members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to participate, as every vote is important. Please refer to the information insert for instructions on nominating and electing an Elder.

If you have any questions, please speak with Debbie Warwick, Clerk of Session, during Coffee Fellowship, or contact her by email at clerk@standrewsbrampton.ca.

Coffee Fellowship

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who has helped with Coffee Fellowship—your warm hospitality and generous support make our time together so special! We still have a few opportunities to serve on the following dates:

Nov. 22, 29 & Dec. 13, 20, 27

We would be delighted to have you join the Coffee Fellowship team! If you can help on one of these dates, please add your name to the sign-up sheet just outside the kitchen door. Thank you for helping us create a welcoming time of fellowship for everyone!

Getting ready for the Advent/Christmas Season

Deck the halls—better yet, help us deck the Sanctuary! Join us after on Sunday, November 22nd, as we fill our worship space with the beauty and joy of the Advent and Christmas season. Many hands make light work—and bring plenty of laughter along the way! Come share in the festive fun; we would love to see you there!

Bruce the Cookie Man is Back!

Make holiday gift-giving and entertaining a little sweeter with delicious baked treats from Bruce the Cookie Man! Place your order online and enjoy festive goodies while supporting our church food bank. Order soon, and share the joy of the season! Any questions, please speak to Bruce Cornish!

2026 Elder Elections

The election will be conducted from Sunday, Oct. 18, 2026 to Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026 at 12:00 noon.

All members of St. Andrew's including supporting elders are eligible for election. Those ineligible for nomination are those currently serving as Session Elders, and those whose terms expire in 2026. These individuals are listed in a separate box on the members' list.

Your Elder Election Package will contain: one ballot with election guidelines; one ballot envelope; one self-addressed, stamped return envelope; and one members list to choose your nominees from.

Session has formed a Nomination Team to oversee the election. They will validate the names on the ballot envelopes, discard those envelopes and count the ballots and report to Session for approval of candidates to approach. When God has provided us with six who will serve, we will announce details of the ordination and induction.

Lastly, to help you in your discernment, we encourage you to prayerfully read the below article:

How to Choose an Elder

Need help choosing who to vote for? Here are some tips.

First, look at the list of members. Now, ask yourself; "of those people that you know, who has many of the needed gifts?" An elder is a person who:

- Is of good character and is an example to others through their *"speech, conduct, love, faith and purity."*
- Is available and willing to attend meetings regularly.
- Is able to see the "big picture" of life in the church. This person can look beyond the details of individual programs and issues

and see an overview of the congregation. This person can answer, "What is best for the whole congregation?"

- Has concern for the property and facilities that the church owns or in which people gather for worship.
- Is good at discerning the character of other people, who understands systems and how they work, who has a good knowledge of leadership styles and when they are needed for specific tasks.
- Enjoys administration because it helps in the smooth operation of a congregation.
- Is comfortable and natural in sharing his/her faith.
- Is grounded in and respectful of the Reformed faith, tradition and government, even though he/she may not have grown up in that tradition.
- Has gifts for teaching others about the Christian faith and the Presbyterian tradition.
- Appreciates, understands and enjoys the sacraments—baptism and communion—and is willing to take part in the rituals of the church.
- Is trustworthy and can hold confidences.
- Relates well to people of all ages, is a good listener, can ask clarifying questions, and offer support.
- Is open to God's Spirit leading the church in new ways and new directions.
- Is skilled or gifted at personnel matters and in building good teams.
- Cares for the beauty and order of worship.
- Has knowledge about and is engaged in activity in the local community.
- Has a strong sense of financial stewardship and deep commitment to responsible financial management.
- And, has a strong sense of the global mission of the Christian church