

**Sunday December 4, 2022**



Annunciation. Leonardo da Vinci (his first major work: 1472-1476)

## **St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**

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We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands  
of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.

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## **The 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.

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, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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

and 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.



## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

### **Responsive Psalm 72:1-7; 18-19**

Give the king your justice, O God,  
and your righteousness to the king's son;

**that he may rule your people righteously  
and the poor with justice;**

that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,  
and the little hills bring righteousness.

**He shall defend the needy among the people,  
rescuing the poor and crushing the oppressor.**

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,  
from one generation to another.

**He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,  
like showers that water the earth.**

In his time shall the righteous flourish;

**there shall be abundance of peace  
till the moon shall be no more.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, the God of Israel,  
for you alone do wondrous deeds!

**And blessed be your glorious name for ever  
and may all the earth be filled with your glory.  
Amen and Amen.**

### **Isaiah 11:1-10**

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the  
nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

### **Luke 1:26-38**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore, the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

### ***Anthem ~ King of Glory, King of Peace***

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee;  
And, that love may never cease, I will move Thee.  
Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me;  
Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee,  
And the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee.  
Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me,  
And alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee;  
In my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise Thee.  
Small it is, in this poor sort to enrol Thee;  
E'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

*Text: George Herbert*

*Music: Eric Thiman*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Welcome**

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this week - in person and online! A special welcome and thank you to Heather Kern who is leading the service this week. We are so grateful to the Reverends Heather and Paul Kern for generously conducting our worship for so many Sundays during this time of transition. Heather and Paul have pastored together for 26 years, and both currently serve as Correctional Chaplains: Paul at Collins Bay, and Heather at Millhaven.

### **Ornaments for Sanctuary Tree**

Each year we decorate the tree in the sanctuary with ornaments representing donations to one of the missions which St. Andrew's supports. This year, the money donated will go to help the work at

**Interval House** to support services for women, children and youth who have been impacted by domestic violence. To participate, take an envelope from the basket at the back of the church, make a donation to Interval House, and we will place an ornament on the tree during the week. Let's fill the tree with red baubles!

### **Pastoral Care**

If anyone needs Pastoral Care during this time of transition, please contact either Nancy Hancock at (h) 613-546-4951 (c) 613-893-3683 or Dorothy Messenger at (h) 613-767-2835 (c) 902-830-0692.

### **Masks**

St. Andrew's has strictly adhered to all public health guidelines during the pandemic. In keeping with this, and following Dr. Kieran Moore's strong recommendation that Ontarians wear masks in all indoor public settings, the Session encourages all who come to St. Andrew's to wear a mask while in the building. We thank you for your continued patience and support during this extraordinary time.

### **Manse Update**

The following is a good news update about the manse residents. Scott Woodall from Ryandale writes:

"The guys really look forward to the monthly meal. I have been at the house on a Monday or Tuesday and they are already talking about Sunday supper. It's a big deal to them. To put this in perspective, there is one resident that is a qualified chef and two others that have extensive commercial cooking experience. Even though these guys know how to look after themselves, you can't beat that home cooking.

They all appreciate the support from the church in letting Ryandale lease the manse. Without any prodding from Ryandale, the guys have been raking and bagging leaves from the trees around the manse as a way of giving back to the church, and one fellow has agreed to help Glen with the snow clearing this winter. Housekeeping is never a problem. The guys are clean machines.

Something that I'm sure that hasn't happened at the manse in many years, is giving out candy at Halloween. One of the residents bought some candy and apparently there were about 20 kids that

knocked on the door. To be able to do this type of thing is small for most households, but for these guys to be able to do something normal means a lot to them personally. There is a picture of one of the residents with someone from the street that I hope will be in the next newsletter. It is priceless.

Individually, they are working on plans to push forward with life. I won't go into details, but we are greatly encouraged with the efforts the guys are making. Now if we can solve the housing shortage problem, we'd be that much happier. This is not to say that there hasn't been some hiccups this past months, but even the temporary setbacks have had positive outcomes. We move forward, one day at a time, one person at a time.”

### **Office Hours during Christmas**

The church office will be mostly closed from December 27th through January 3rd. For anyone needing to come into the office, they can do so on Thursday, December 29th and Thursday, January 4th. The phone will be monitored during this time, and your calls will be answered.

## **WINTER ACTIVITIES AT ST. ANDREW'S**

**Sunday School and Nursery:** Sundays after Children's Time

**Choir:** Thursdays, 7:30, St. Andrew's Hall [mjchall@telusplanet.net](mailto:mjchall@telusplanet.net)

**Taizé services:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month, 7:30, sanctuary  
[https://zoom.us/meeting/82464811989#:~:text=https%3A//us02.web.zoom.us/j/82464811989](https://zoom.us/j/82464811989#:~:text=https%3A//us02.web.zoom.us/j/82464811989)

**Craft and Chat:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 9:30, St. Andrew's Hall

**Imago Dei:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, 4:30 – 5:30, by zoom  
[dotmessenger@gmail.com](mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com)

**Bible Study:** Thursday, 8 December, 1:30, by zoom.

## **WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE AND REACH OUT**

### **Circle of Prayer**

This team of St. Andrew's members is ready to add their prayers to yours. Please send requests in full confidence to our co-ordinator Dorothy at [dotmessenger@gmail.com](mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com)



## Calling all Bakers

Anyone wishing to drop off homemade baked items (please include the ingredient list) for the Manse residents should call Jane Bailey (Manse Administrator) at 613-766-4432 to arrange a drop-off time.

## Food Basket

Remembering neighbours in need, we have resumed collecting foodstuffs for distribution through the Partners In Mission food bank. You are invited to bring a contribution on Sunday mornings. Once a month Ed Brash makes a delivery to the food bank.

## The Mess Art Show and Sale

... takes place in Gill Hall November 5<sup>th</sup> – Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. Opening reception Nov. 5 at 1-4 p.m. Free tickets available in the office.

## Carols in the Shed

Sat. 10 Dec., 7:00 p.m. Sand Hill Presbyterian (2720 Sand Hill Rd) invites us to join their out-door Christmas carol event in the historic horse sheds. Dress warmly and bring a chair. Hot chocolate to follow.

## ADVENT RESOURCES

### From the Presbyterian Church in Canada:

1) What Are We Waiting For?:

<https://presbyterian.ca/2022/11/08/ecumenical-advent/>

2) 2022 Advent Devotional: *A Journey to Christmas*:

<https://presbyterian.ca/2022/09/23/journey-to-christmas/>

### From the Centre for Christianity, Culture and the Arts

The Advent Project: <https://ccca.biola.edu/advent/>

### From the Today devotional series:

Waiting in Expectation: <https://connect.reframeministries.org/advent-2022-waiting-in-expectation-0-0>



## A Prayer for the second Sunday in Advent - Peace

Lord, we pray for the power to be gentle;  
the strength to be forgiving;  
the patience to be understanding;  
and the endurance to accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right.

May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil,  
and the power of love to overcome hatred.

We pray for the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world emancipated from violence;

a world where fear no longer leads us to commit injustice, nor selfishness to bring suffering to others.

Help us to devote our selves, our thought and our energy to the task of making peace,

praying always for the inspiration and the power to fulfil the destiny for which we were all created.

Amen.

*Week of Prayer for World Peace, 1978  
from the Oxford Book of Prayer*



### SERVING THIS MORNING

<b>Beadle:</b>	Larry
<b>Livestreaming:</b>	Benjamin, Christopher
<b>Flowers:</b>	Dixie and Murray
<b>Ushers this week:</b>	Elders
<b>Ushers Dec 11:</b>	Rory, Philippe

<b>Financial Review to November 30, 2022</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Received</b>
General Offerings	\$207,470	\$205,548

## Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center



“Where is God in all of this oppression and injustice?” Upon hearing the anguished cries of Palestinian Christians, Palestinian clergy felt it was crucial to respond pastorally and remind them that God is the God of justice, the God who cares about the oppressed. These Christians need God’s hope. In 1989, Palestinian Christian theologians developed a theology that could be shared with fellow Palestinian believers. This led to the establishment of

Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem, an ecumenical grassroots liberation theology movement. Presbyterians Sharing supports Sabeel and Director, Omar Haramy, in standing with the oppressed, working for justice and engaging in peacebuilding.



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