

Please take a few moments in silent meditation to prepare our minds and hearts to worship God. Please stand as you are able when the beadle enters with the Bible.

Prelude

WE APPROACH GOD

*Call to worship

L: God calls us to seek justice:

P: Let Christ's love for the poor and hungry fill the earth.

L: God calls us to seek kindness,

P: Let Christ's light shine in places of brokenness and despair.

L: God calls us to walk humbly in the Spirit,

P: Let us be nourished for the work of the kingdom

L: Called, blessed and inspired, let us worship God together.

Introit: #667 verse 1

God, you touch the earth with beauty;
make my heart anew;
with your Spirit recreate me,
pure and strong and true.

*Prayer of approach

*Opening Hymn: "Blest are they" #624

Please be seated

Prayer of Confession:

L: Understanding God, we cannot hide our faults from you. You know our weaknesses, and where we most need your help and forgiveness. So we pray together:

P: O God, we confess our attraction to the world's wisdom, presented to us as fact, advertisement and opinion. We fail to reflect on such messages according to your Word. Our own words are not always loving, nor do we always act with justice or compassion. Forgive us, we pray. Uphold us in faithfulness and renew us with your mercy, so that we may walk more humbly with you each day. Amen.

L: Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Though God sees and knows our weakness and sin, forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ.

P: Rejoice and be glad for our lives are renewed in him.

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Responsive Reading: Psalm 15

L: O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

P: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart; who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbours; in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honour those who fear the LORD; who stand by their oath even to their hurt; who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

L: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Hymn: "Seek ye first" #625

Children's time

Hymn: "Seek ye first" #624

Life and Work of the Church

Scripture: Micah 6:1-8 p. 866
1 Corinthians 1:18-31 p. 166
Matthew 5:1-12 p. 4

L: The word of the Lord!

P: Thanks be to God!!

Hymn: "O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways" #730

Sermon: Christianity under attack

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Offering & Offertory:

Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of dedication:

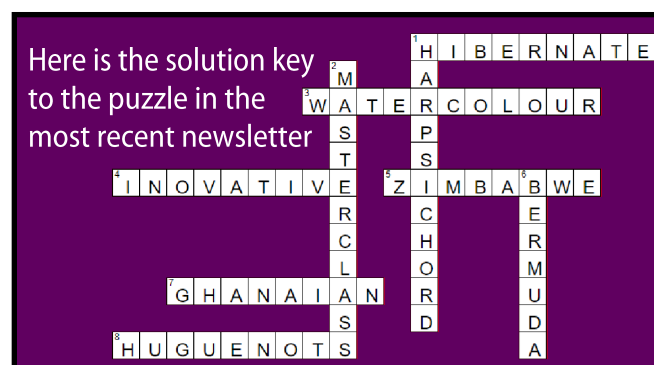
God, you are the source of our lives. From you, all loving kindness, justice and mercy flow. Bless these gifts with your Spirit so that acts of kindness, justice and mercy may flow from them, too. And bless our lives so the world may see in us signs of your kingdom at work in the church and community, in Christ's name. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: "Jesus loves me, this I know" #373

*Sending and Choral Response:

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude



February 2: PWS&D Sunday

Inspired by God's promise of abundant life, PWS&D envisions a sustainable, compassionate and just world. On February 2, we celebrate PWS&D and the meaningful work being done around the world to bring hope to those experiencing poverty, hunger and oppression. Farmers and their families in Haiti, Nicaragua and Pakistan are learning innovative farming practices to help cope with a changing climate and rise above hunger. Maternal and child mortality rates continue to decrease in Malawi and Afghanistan. Refugees have received support overseas and been welcomed to new homes in Canada. These stories of transformation are possible because of the generosity of Presbyterians across Canada. Thank you! PWS&D is thankful for your generous support.



A Special Space

This week, the Session of St. Andrew's Hespeler took action on something that they have been discussing for some time. They want to see how we could better use our sanctuary space to foster fellowship and community for our congregation. They created the space that you likely noticed as you entered this morning.

This is an experimental space that we are trying out. Please keep an open mind about using this space to engage with one another and the work of the church. We will try taking our fellowship time in this space this morning.

A few notes:

- Parents, please still go and pick up your kids as usual following the worship time.
- Children are welcome to join us for the fellowship time. They are also welcome to play downstairs if they prefer, if you can make sure they're not left unsupervised.

Thank you for our fellowship time volunteers for helping us with this experiment!

Christian Education News

The Christian Education Committee would like to encourage everyone to participate in the Presbyterian Church of Canada's Lenten study. "Lent For Everyone, Matthew, Year A" by NT Wright is the devotional book being used. We have ordered 10 copies (you can purchase from us for \$20 per book) and they should be arriving soon. There is also a Kindle version available on Amazon.ca. We will have 1 or 2 nights of discussion, led by Rev. Scott McAndless and we will join in the online discussions throughout Lent. Here's the link to the national church study: <https://presbyterian.ca/canadian-ministries/presbyterians-read/>. If you need any help ordering the book or would like more information please speak with Joni Smith.

The youth would like to thank everyone who helped in any way with last Sunday's Pie Baking/tasting contest and auction. Thanks to everyone who baked some incredibly delicious pies, who came and cheered on the judges and who bought pies. Thanks also to those who helped set up & clean up. We were able to raise approximately \$700. This money will be used to fund our programs and events! Thank you!

Hespeler Arts Palooza!

From January 26th to March 8th there will be several opportunities to get creative. Keep checking your bulletins and website for up to date information on what's going on.

Tomorrow morning, 9:15 am in the gym, join us for a **"Start the Week off with a Walk"** for 30 minutes. Come and walk at your own pace.

Tuesday morning from 9:30 –10:30 am, in the foyer, you will find a group of people crocheting or knitting. Come to learn or just join us to do some "needle" work of any kind and enjoy a cup of tea.

Open Mic Night!

In Memory of Mike Moyer & "Hooked on Mission"
Feb 22nd – 6:30 pm – Sanctuary

Have a talent to share? Join us for our annual open mic! Sign-up starts at 6:00 pm. Each person will have 5 minutes (time for one song). Pianist extraordinaire, Gregory Gibson, will be on hand to accompany you if you like. All talents welcome!



Explorations in Music begins today!

A program for kids from JK to Grade 6 that gives them an opportunity to play with music, discover new instruments and musical traditions, connect with each other, and have lots of fun! Every week we will have different instruments and different presenters to share a wide variety of musical instruments, styles, and traditions with the kids.

Feb 2nd – 11:30 am – Fellowship Room (JK to Gr 6)

Junk Music diverts items from the landfill in order to create inexpensive "junk" instruments. Junk music jams bring people together, give people the chance to explore their musicianship, and encourage people to think about their personal sustainable practices.

Mark your calendars! The Youth are once again hosting our **Annual Pancake Supper** on Tuesday, February 25, 5:00—6:15 pm. Please come out to enjoy a good home cooked pancake supper.



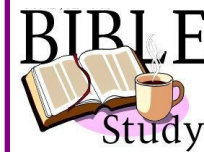
Our readings are taken from the Revised Common Lectionary a 3 year cycle of readings used by many Christian denominations. The readings for next week are: Isaiah 58:1-12, Psalm 112, 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, Matthew 5:13-20.



If you haven't yet submitted your Annual Reports, please do so this week. Electronic copies are the best. Email in Word or Excel format to: office@standrewshespeler.ca

This Week at St. Andrew's

Tuesday	12:00 pm	Hope Clothing
Wednesday	9:30 am	Hope Clothing
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Family Night
Wednesday	7:00 pm	A-A Meditation Group
Thursday	11:00 am	Hope Clothing
Thursday	12:00 pm	Self-help Food Bank and Lunch
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	8:00 pm	A-A, Al-Anon, Al-Ateen



Bible Study Wednesdays: Please join us at 10am (coffee and tea at 9:30am) in the church foyer where Rev. Scott will lead us through study and prayer. All are welcome!

Next Week's Sermon:



FundScrip gives a percentage of every gift card purchased to the church. Check out the website for info and deals at fundscrip.com. Orders are due at the end of February.



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Thank you to all who participated in today's service:

Music Director:	Corey Cotter Linforth
Beadle:	Steve Marsh
Worship Assistant:	Donald Paddock
Greeters:	Carol Johnson and Margret Hunter
Ushers:	Margret Hunter
Tech Team:	Rob Hodgson
Family Ministries & Sunday School Coordinator:	Joni Smith
Little Explorers (up to JK):	Catherine Taylor & Emily Byers
Divine Detectives:	Laurie Paddock & Adria Marsh
The Holy Sherlocks (grades 4 to 6):	Lori Marsh
Nursery/Preschool Coordinator:	Laura Einwechter

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February 2, 2020

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Presbyterian World Sharing & Development Sunday



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Monday to Friday - 9:00 am - Noon