

**St. Andrew's Hespeler  
Presbyterian Church  
November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Remembrance Sunday**

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am-12pm

**Order of Online Worship for November 7.** We will meet online and in person at 10 am. The link will be posted on the website. If you wish to attend in person, screening, masking, and social distancing are still required. **This is a communion service, and so we ask you to prepare bread and wine** (or similar things) for each person who will be participating. The session requests that people who attend in person be fully vaccinated for Covid-19 if they are eligible and it is medically possible.

**Call to worship**

L: Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord,

**P: For God keeps faith with us forever.**

L: Praise our God who brings justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

**P: We will worship the Lord who lifts up those who are bowed down, and supports the orphan and widow.**

L: God will reign in mercy and righteousness for all generations.

**P: Let us praise the Lord and seek to honour God with our lives.**

**Prayer of Approach and Confession**

L: God of justice and peace, We gather at this solemn time of year, aware of the costliness of human history. In the face of hostility between nations and neighbours, you have come to us in Jesus Christ, carrying no sword, calling us to serve as peacemakers. In this time of worship, renew in us the hope that you will turn swords into ploughshares, and lead the world you love away from the study of war to the promise of peace with justice for all your peoples.

**P: God of justice and mercy, we confess that the world around us is in a mess. Countries**

**turn disputes over territory into threats of terror. Old enemies stir up conflict within their tribes and nations. Threats of violence keep us all on edge. We confess we have not learned from past conflicts what leads to peace with justice among nations and neighbours. Forgive us and lead us in a better way.**

L: Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Friends, through God's mercy, our sin is forgiven. May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

**P: And also with you.**

**749 Be still, my soul**

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; leave to thy God to order and provide; in every change God faithful will remain. Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake to guide the future wisely, as the past. Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know

the voice that ruled them here on earth below.

3. Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then shalt thou better know God's love, God's  
heart

who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.  
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all death takes away.

4. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are  
past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Responsive Psalm 146

L: Praise the LORD!

**P: Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

L: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

**P: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

L: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in  
whom there is no help.

**P: When their breath departs, they return to  
the earth; on that very day their plans perish.**

L: Happy are those whose help is the God of  
Jacob,

**P: whose hope is in the LORD their God, who  
made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that  
is in them; who keeps faith for ever; who  
executes justice for the oppressed; who gives  
food to the hungry.**

L: The LORD sets the prisoners free;

**P: the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.**

L: The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

**P: the LORD loves the righteous.**

L: The LORD watches over the strangers; he  
upholds the orphan and the widow,

**P: but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.**

L: The LORD will reign for ever, your God, O Zion,  
for all generations.

**P: Praise the LORD!**

Ongoing life of the church

**Scripture:** (other lectionary readings below)

1 Kings 17:8-16

<sup>8</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him,  
saying, <sup>9</sup> 'Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to  
Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a  
widow there to feed you.' <sup>10</sup> So he set out and  
went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of  
the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he  
called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in  
a vessel, so that I may drink.' <sup>11</sup> As she was going  
to bring it, he called to her and said, 'Bring me a  
morsel of bread in your hand.' <sup>12</sup> But she said, 'As  
the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked,  
only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a  
jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so  
that I may go home and prepare it for myself  
and my son, that we may eat it, and die.' <sup>13</sup> Elijah  
said to her, 'Do not be afraid; go and do as you  
have said; but first make me a little cake of it  
and bring it to me, and afterwards make  
something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup> For thus  
says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal  
will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail  
until the day that the LORD sends rain on the  
earth.' <sup>15</sup> She went and did as Elijah said, so that  
she as well as he and her household ate for  
many days. <sup>16</sup> The jar of meal was not emptied,  
neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the  
word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Mark 12:38-44

Isabella Cann

<sup>38</sup> As [Jesus] taught, he said, 'Beware of the  
scribes, who like to walk around in long robes,  
and to be greeted with respect in the market-  
places, <sup>39</sup> and to have the best seats in the  
synagogues and places of honour at  
banquets! <sup>40</sup> They devour widows' houses and  
for the sake of appearance say long prayers.  
They will receive the greater condemnation.'

<sup>41</sup> He sat down opposite the treasury, and  
watched the crowd putting money into the  
treasury. Many rich people put in large  
sums. <sup>42</sup> A poor widow came and put in two  
small copper coins, which are worth a

penny. <sup>43</sup> Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup> For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

Offertory: "Lord Jesus Christ, we Humbly Pray"  
by John Duro"

Martin Bohl

Celebration of our Generosity

Celebration of Communion

- Invitation
- Presentation of the elements
- Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
- Epiclesis
- Sharing the bread and wine

Message: "Elijah's Tips for Dealing with Scarcity"



Prayers of the people (using chat to share requests)

Act of Remembrance

Last Post

Two Minutes of Silence

Reveille

L: They went with songs to the battle, they were young. Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow. They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted, They fell with their faces to the foe. They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning,

**P: We will remember them.**

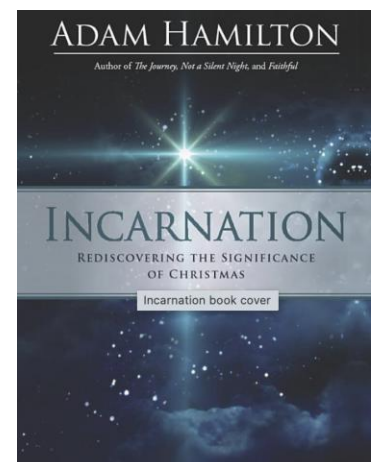
National Anthem

Benediction

## Pastoral Care

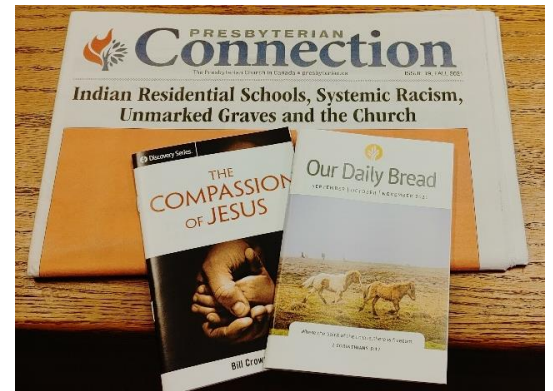
There is some **good news** about pastoral care. The Cambridge Hospital is now allowing clergy visits for patients! Unfortunately, there is not yet a way for visiting clergy to look up on the list to see who might be in the hospital so, if you would like to request a hospital visit for a loved one, please do call the church to let us know that they are in the hospital.

We will once again participate in the Presbyterians Read Advent Book Study. If you would like to participate with us, please let Joni know. There are a limited number of books available. We will read the book on our own and either have questions emailed to consider or set up a zoom to discuss, if desired by participants. Books are \$20 each.



There are some **goodies** in the mailbox at the church (the one marked “bulletins”) that is free for anyone to pick up. You will find:

- \* The November /December edition of Today
- \* The September/October/November edition of Our Daily Bread
- \* The fall edition of Presbyterian Connection
- \* Printed copies of this bulletin each week.
- \* Printed copies of Scott’s most recent sermon each week.



Did you find out who our guest reader is for this week’s lessons? Hint: look in the pews! Our Google Classroom is posted on the website: [www.standrewshespeler.ca](http://www.standrewshespeler.ca)





The November edition of **Andrew's Voice** is out today. Please make sure you pick up a copy if you are at the church. Electronic copies are also available on the webpage or ask us and we'll email one to you. Please help us to get this newsletter out to as many people in the church as possible. If you can pick up one (or print one out) and take it to a friend or neighbour, that would be a tremendous help!

### Other Lectionary Readings

Hebrews 9:24-28

<sup>24</sup> For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the

foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.



To my dear friends at St. Andrew's,

From the moment I walked in the doors for an interview in November of 2018, I felt welcomed and accepted. Serving you in the role of administrative assistant over the past three years has been a huge blessing in my life. Thank you for always being so kind, gracious, and generous, and taking the time to call or stop in and say "hello." I will always think of St. Andrew's with love and fondness.

I am not leaving the area, so I will be back to visit every now and again :) I pray for God's continued blessing upon each of you and your families.

With much love and appreciation,  
Paula

## Mission Moment – November 7, 2021

### Life-Saving Treatment in Haiti

Haiti is experiencing a food shortage crisis. As a result, many children, like Elisemene Joachim, suffer from malnutrition. At four years old, Elisemene weighed a mere 8.5 kg (around 19 pounds) when she was diagnosed with acute malnutrition at a mobile clinic. She was immediately enrolled in a program where she received life-saving treatment and was regularly monitored for several months. After 10 months, Elisemene's health and nutrition status improved, and she was healthy enough to be discharged from the program. Today, Elisemene is thriving and enjoying a healthy childhood. This project is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development and Canadian Foodgrains Bank.



**Sunday, November 7** We pray for malnourished children in Haiti, that they may recover and experience healthy childhoods with treatment provided by Presbyterian World Service & Development partners.

**Monday, November 8** We pray for people who are awaiting the results of medical tests.

**Tuesday, November 9** We pray for farmers in Malawi and give thanks for the sustainable farming projects supported by the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development that help their crops flourish.

**Wednesday, November 10** We give thanks and pray for clerks of Session who, with elders and ministers, nurture caring Christian ministry in congregations and communities across the country.

**Thursday, November 11 (Remembrance Day)** We pray for all who mourn or suffer as a result of conflicts and war. We ask God to protect and guide peacekeepers and those who serve in the armed forces.

**Friday, November 12** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island.

**Saturday, November 13** We pray for ministries in Canada that support the health, education, faith and well-being of children and youth.