St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church November 6th, 2022 Remembrance Sunday

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Order of Worship. 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, masking and social distancing are encouraged. This will be a communion service so, if you are participating remotely, please prepare communion elements so that you may participate.



Please stand, as you are able, when the Beadle enters with the bible.

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship

- L: On this day of memories, we gather to sing and to pray;
- P: We remember the past and look to the future.
- L: On this day when the guns and cannons fell silent,
- P: We come before you, God, seeking your peace.
- L: On this day of hope in the face of terror,
- P: We come before you, God, believing in your promise.
- L: Let us worship God together, in peace.

Prayer of Adoration

L: God, our Creator and Redeemer, we gather in your presence at this solemn time, aware of how much war has cost the world you love. In spite of fighting between nations and neighbours, you have come to us in Jesus Christ, carrying no sword, calling us to serve as peace makers. In this time of worship, renew in us the hope that you will turn our swords into ploughshares, and lead the world from the study of

- war to the promise of peace with justice for all your peoples.
- P: God of mercy, we confess that the world around us is in a mess. Countries turn arguments over territory into threats of terror. Old enemies stir up conflict within their tribes and nations. The threat of violence keeps us all on edge. Forgive us for not learning from past conflicts what leads to peace with justice.
- L: The prophet Micah reminds us that God requires of us three things: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God. To all who turn away from hostility and seek reconciliation in kindness and humility, God offers forgiveness and peace. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you!

Hymn #330: O God, our help in ages past

- O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.
- 2. Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.
- 3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.
- 4. A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all our years away.
 They fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
- 6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, still be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

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Video Reading: Luke 20: 27—38 Joanne Waugh

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21

- L: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
- P: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
- L: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;
- P: his greatness is unsearchable.
- L: One generation shall extol your works to another
- P: and shall declare your mighty acts.
- L: They will recount the glorious splendour of your majesty,
- P: and on your wondrous works I will meditate.
- L: The LORD is just in all his ways and kind in all his doings.
- P: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.
- L: The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.
- P: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.

Hymn #740: Make me a channel of your peace

- 1. Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred, let me bring your love; where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
- Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.
- O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.
- 4. Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Family Time

Life and work of the church

Offertory: "The King of Love" by Henry Coleman M. Bohl

Celebration of our Generosity

Sermon: The God of the Living

Hymn #743: Lead on, eternal Sovereign

1. Lead on, eternal Sovereign, we follow in your way; loud rings your cry for justice, your call for peace this day:

through prayerful preparation, your grace will make us strong,

to carry on the struggle to triumph over wrong.

2. Lead on, eternal Sovereign, we follow not with fear, for in each human conflict your words of strength we hear:

that when we serve with gladness, you will not let us fall,

our trust is in your promise that love will conquer all.

3. Lead on, eternal Sovereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease

and all your saints together will sing a hymn of peace; then all in your dominion will live with hearts set free, to love and serve each other for all eternity.

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Celebration of Communion

- Invitation
- Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
- Words of Institution
- Epiclesis
- Distribution and Sharing the Bread and Wine

Prayers of the People

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

Postlude: Festal March by G. F. Handel Martin Bohl

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to May Cholerton and her family on the death of her husband, Frank this week. Please keep this family in your prayers at this difficult time. The funeral service is on Thursday, November 10 at 1:00 pm at Lounsbury Funeral Home.

We give thanks today to those who helped with our worship service:

Beadle: Randy Rattansingh

Greeters: Bill & Margret Hunter

Communion servers: Jean Godin, Vern Platt,

Patrice Wappler

Tech Team: Laura Einwechter & Dylan Smith

Other lectionary readings this week:

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

^{15b} In the second year of King Darius, ¹ in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: ² "Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say: ³ Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? ⁴Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts, 5 according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. ⁶ For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land, ⁷ and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the LORD of hosts. 8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts. ⁹ The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts, and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts."

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

¹ As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴ He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³ But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

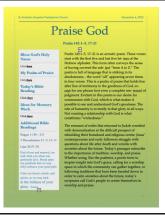
Next Sunday we will be thrilled to celebrate the baptism of Blake, daughter of David and Bryce and Rylie's little sister!



Rev. Scott will be away for a few days of Continuing Education starting this afternoon. He will be back on Thursday. If you have any urgent pastoral needs during that time, you may contact the Rev. Bill Bynum (519-616-9252)

Check out our Family Playlist! Each week a new playlist will be posted online for families to access throughout the week. Included on the playlist are links to bible readings, music, activities and more. Everyone is welcome to check this out at any time during the week. It will be posted every Friday morning at 8:00 am.

Families are encouraged to attend church with their children, as your comfort level with COVID permits. At this time we have moved to an intergenerational style worship service. Each worship service will include a time for the children and activity packages for the children to work with during worship. These packages are created to help our children connect with our worship service. Movers, wigglers and gigglers are all welcome. The sound of children in the sanctuary is a blessing that we all enjoy.



Help needed!

We need Beadles (to bring in the Word of God, the Bible at the beginning of worship and take it out into the world at the end). Starting at the beginning of November we will also need Elders and Deacons to serve The Sacrament of Holy Communion (self serve communion will still be available for those who would be uncomfortable with being served. If you can help with any of these service opportunities please speak with Scott or Joni. We will begin to make schedules for these ministries, watch your emails and mail slots for your schedule!



It's that time of year again! The Hespeler Santa Claus parade is on **Saturday, December 3rd @** noon.

We need walkers and riders! If you are interested in participating in the parade in this way, please speak with Joni.

Decorating the float is going to be simple and will happen on the morning of the parade. Riders must be 5+ years old.

Come out and have some fun with us!

Some upcoming events to keep in mind:

- **November 13** Celebration of Baptism!
- November 27 First Sunday in Advent & kick off of our Annual Giving Tuesday campaign
- **December 4** Communion and very special musical guest

Stay tuned for more details.

A very special welcome to the members of the **Royal Canadian Legion Branch 272 Hespeler** who join us today. Of course, we are all invited to join them at the Hespeler Cenotaph this Friday at 11 am. To learn more about the Royal Canadian Legion and how you can support them go to: https://www.legion.ca/home



DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, November 6 We pray for the Graduate School for Nurses in India facing challenges due to government regulations. May God's wisdom and discernment guide the school in reorganizing and looking for a way forward.

Monday, November 7 We give thanks for ecumenical councils that bring Christians from different denominations together to engage in fellowship, study and action.

Tuesday, November 8 We pray for students studying at Knox College in Toronto, Ontario. May God guide them in thinking deeply, living honestly, and leading courageously.

Wednesday, November 9 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on History.

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Prayer Partnership

Engaging in God's Mission Through Word and Action

Thursday, November 10 We pray for those who minister to soldiers, sailors and aircrews. May they be a constant reminder of God's presence, especially in times when people feel estranged from their homes and families.

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

Saturday, November 12 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry in Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their ministry

Mission Moment – Sunday, November 6th

The Presbyterian Church in Canada has a long history of mission in nursing and health care in India. For over 150 years, over 250 missionaries have served in this work. Today, the PCC partners with the Graduate School for Nurses (GSN), which is part of the Christian Medical Association of India (CMAI). GSN offers handson education for nursing students that promotes







Shimy Mathew, Secretary of the Nurses League of CMAI, has asked for prayers and "for wisdom to discern God's will for the institution" in light of the recent challenges the school is facing due to government regulations. We join Shimy in prayer and give thanks for her deep faith in Jesus and for her perseverance.