

St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church October 22th, 2023 21st Sunday after Pentecost

St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church
73 Queen Street East,
Cambridge, ON N3C 2A9
519-658-2652

Rev. Scott McAndless: smcandless@standrewshespeler.ca

Email: office@standrewshespeler.ca

Prayer Requests: prayerchain@standrewshespeler.ca

Website: www.standrewshespeler.ca

Office Hours:

Monday—Friday 9am-12pm

Order of Worship. We will meet in person at 10 am. You may also join us on Zoom or Facebook Live. The Zoom link will be posted on the website.

Prelude: Prelude by J. Scheidemann

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: The earth has its kings, but God is ruler of all.

P: Praise God above all, the giver of life!

L: The mountains may tremble, the oceans may roar, but
God's presence is more powerful than the earth itself.

P: Come into God's presence, for God is among us now.

L: O God, show us your glory; we seek your ways.

**P: Come to the Rock, the God of life, for God is present
now.**

Hymn #321 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all
creation.

My soul, praise God who alone is your health and
salvation.

Come, all who hear, sisters and brothers draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who in all things so
wondrously reigning

hides you with sheltering wings, ever gently
sustaining.

Have you not seen how your heart's wishes have
been

granted through God's kind ordaining?

3. Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work,
who defends you;
surely God's merciful goodness here daily attends
you;

ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
when in great love God befriends you.

4. Praise to the Lord, and with all that is in me
adoring,
all who have life and breath, come with glad praises

outpouring!

Let the Amen sound from God's people again:
now and forever adoring!

Words: English version, copyright © The Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1997

Prayer of Approach

L: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord our God and King!

Glorious and powerful is the God of all creation!

**P: The Lord our God is King and the source of Justice
for all eternity, all people and all places.**

L: This morning fill this place called St. Andrew's,
make it a holy place where we worship you in all
humility.

**P: In reverent awe, we gather to worship God, within
the light of God's holiness, justice, mercy and love.**

L: The Lord our God is a Forgiving God! 'Fairness' and
'Justice' are the names of our God.

**P: Forgive us, O God, when we stumble in the
darkness and turn away from your image.**

L: Forgive us, O God, when we walk in the image of
Caesar and the world.

**P: Strengthen us to walk in your brightness and live
in your ways. Enlighten the shadows that keep us
from growing in your image of love and light.**

L: Shower us with your grace, that we might shine as
your people upon this earth.

**P: Cover us with your mercy and forgiveness this day
and in all days! We are forgiven. Praise God. Amen**

Responsive Psalm 99

L: The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble; God sits
enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

**P: Great is the Lord in Zion; exalted over all the
nations.**

L: Let them praise your great and awesome name— God
is holy!

**P: The King is mighty, God loves justice— you have
established equity; in Jacob you have done what is**

just and right.

L: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool;
God is holy!

P: Moses and Aaron were among God's priests, Samuel was among those who called on God's name; they called on the Lord and the Lord answered them.

L: God spoke to them from the pillar of cloud; they kept God's statutes and decrees.

P: Lord our God, you answered them; you were to Israel a forgiving God. Exalt the Lord our God and worship at the holy mountain, for the Lord our God is holy.

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵⁻¹⁷ That's when the Pharisees plotted a way to trap him into saying something damaging. They sent their disciples, with a few of Herod's followers mixed in, to ask, "Teacher, we know you have integrity, teach the way of God accurately, are indifferent to popular opinion, and don't pander to your students. So tell us honestly: Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

¹⁸⁻¹⁹ Jesus knew they were up to no good. He said, "Why are you playing these games with me? Why are you trying to trap me? Do you have a coin? Let me see it." They handed him a silver piece.

²⁰ "This engraving—who does it look like? And whose name is on it?"

²¹ They said, "Caesar."

"Then give Caesar what is his, and give God what is his."

²² The Pharisees were speechless. They went off shaking their heads.

Hymn: #290 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
and wither, and perish, but naught changeth thee.

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: oh help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Words: Public domain

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: "Bishophthorpe" Tune by Healey Willan

Sermon: Render Unto God That Which is Caesar's

Hymn #461 Be thou my vision

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art,
thou my best thought in the day and the night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom; be thou my true word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord,
thou my great Father, thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my armour and be thou my might;
thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower,
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

4. Riches I heed not, nor vain earthly praise,
thou my inheritance, through all my days;
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

5. High King of heaven, when the battle is done,
grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's Sun;
heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Words: translation, paraphrase. Copyright © Chatto and Windus Ltd.

Prayers of God's People

Hymn #466 Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet

1. Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,
praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
praise the Lord with the gentle-sounding flute.
Praise the Lord in the field and forest,
praise the Lord in the city square,
praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,
praise the Lord in the dark of night,
praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning
light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley,
praise the Lord on the highest hill,
praise the Lord; never let your voice be still.

2. Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal,
praise the Lord with the pipe and string,
praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.
Praise the Lord on a weekday morning,
praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,
praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow,
praise the Lord in the time of joy,
praise the Lord every moment; nothing let your praise
destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,
praise the Lord in your work or play,
praise the Lord everywhere in every way.

Words: copyright © Hinshaw Music Inc., 1976. Reprinted with permission.

Benediction

Choral Response

755 Go ye, go ye into the world

1. Go ye, go ye into the world, and make disciples of
all the nations.

Go ye, go ye into the world, and I will be with you
there!

2. Go ye, go ye into the world, and take the gospel to
all the people.

Go ye, go ye into the world, and I will be with you
there!

3. Go ye, go ye into the world, and tell the story to all
believers.

Go ye, go ye into the world, and I will be with you
there!

Words: copyright © Choristers Guild, 1979

Postlude: Processional by Vincenzo Petrali

Reverend Scott is taking one more week of vacation this year. He will be away from October 21st to October 27th.

Should an urgent pastoral need arise while he is absent, you may contact Aubrey Botha (aubrey@cpcmail.ca) Home: 519-620-4415 Office: 519-623-1080) or Reverend Dongwon Brian Jung (revbrianjung@gmail.com). Phone: (647) 891-8164 .

Since Joni needs to be flexible to deal with any issues and Al is taking some leave, we cannot promise that the office will be open all days next week. But some people will be in the office to greet people during some mornings this week.

We are grateful to those who were involved in worship
this morning:

Worship Assistant: Vin Seunath

Organist: Martin Bohl

Greeter: Joanne Waugh

Beadle: Jean Godin

Tech Team: Dylan Smith & Laura Einwechter

Sunday School: Dean Davidson

Our 'Lunch on Queen' team needs a break!

The team will be taking a break in January, February and March. Lunch is served on the **2nd Thursday of the month**. If you can help with one lunch that would be great!

What is required? Lunch could be a pot of soup and a bun. Could you make a pot of soup, purchase some buns, or come to cook, serve or clean up?

Currently we have funds to purchase food supplies.

If you want to help (or would like more information), contact Karen Nixon (knixon4is@gmail.com).



We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the family of Elma Bertollo, who passed away this week. There will be a visitation for her this afternoon from 1 to 3 pm at Lounsbury Funeral Home.



Anniversary Sunday, October 29th

Session is planning a barbecue for lunch following worship on the 29th. If you are able to bring a salad or other munchies to share that would be greatly appreciated! Everyone is welcome to attend, whether you bring something to share or not.

This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday:	Hope Clothing	9:00—11:30 am
Thursday:	Hope Clothing	Noon—2:00 pm
Thursday:	Food Bank	Noon—2:00 pm
Thursday:	Friend's group: Book Study	6:30—8:00 pm
Saturday:	Friend's group: Garden clean up	9:00 am

We need your help!

The Hespeler Santa Claus parade will be on Saturday, December 2.

As this year will be a little different in terms of organization, would you please indicate to Joni if you are willing to decorate the float, ride on the float or walk with the float. We do have a driver.

Please speak with Scott or Joni.

We are working on an indoor space to decorate. If we get that in order then we can plan on decorating on Saturday, November 25.



News from the New Hope Friends Group:

Bible Study, led by Rev. Scott, **Women in the Bible**, Wednesday mornings, 10:00 a.m., November 1st, 15th and 30th. *Please advise Joanne Waugh that you are attending.*

Fall garden cleanup and further planting will be Saturday, October 28th, at 9:00. *Everyone is invited to participate.*

Next Week's sermon:

Get the door, Rhoda!



Prayer Card

Please write your prayer on this card and place in the collection plate. Your prayers will be included in the Prayers of the People.

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

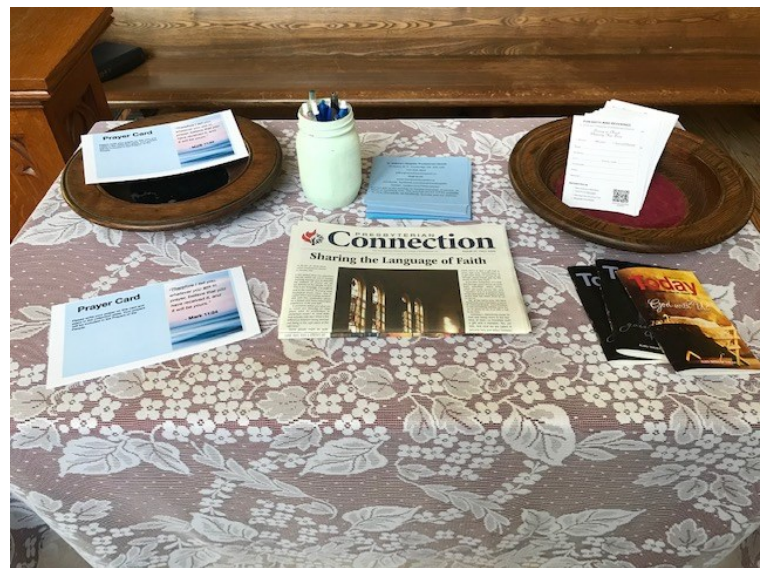
- Mark 11:24

Do you have a prayer request for yourself or someone you love and care for?

We have prayer cards on the table at the back of the sanctuary (see photo below). If you would like to fill out a card and place it in the offering plate on the table, please do so. The prayer cards will be taken to the front of the church to be included in the Prayers of the People.

If you feel led to contribute financially to the life of St. Andrew's, there are offering envelopes on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate on the table.

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 38



DAILY PRAYERS

The Presbyterian Church in Canada



**Prayer
Partnership**

Engaging in God's Mission
Through Word and Action

Sunday, October 22 We give thanks and pray for congregations and ministries that provide hot meals, and offer warmth, friendship and nourishment to those in need.

Monday, October 23 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Northern Saskatchewan.

Tuesday, October 24 We pray for the safety and well-being of LGBTQI+ people seeking sanctuary and for congregations, community groups and organizations that sponsor LGBTQI+ refugees.

Wednesday, October 25 We pray that God gives the gift of perseverance to theological students preparing for service to the gospel that they may finish well.

Thursday, October 26 We pray for Winnipeg Inner City Missions, a place of reconciliation and healing that provides a safe space for people in Winnipeg's North End and inner city to grow and learn.

Friday, October 27 We pray for the members of the International Affairs Committee.

Saturday, October 28 We give thanks for the ecumenical connections that we have nationally and internationally through ministries and councils, and pray for the many Presbyterians who serve the church in ecumenical endeavors.

Mission Moment - October 22nd



World hunger is a more pressing global challenge than ever. An increasing number of people around the world suffer from worsening and chronic food insecurity and malnutrition. Climate change, conflict, and poverty exacerbated by global inflation are key factors worsening this crisis. Hunger threatens physical and mental well-being and hinders social and economic development. Through its partners, PWS&D is responding to the hunger crisis in East Africa, where millions of people are suffering from increased food insecurity. Conflicts, such as those in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo, are forcing hundreds of thousands of families from their homes. Furthermore, extreme climate weather events across the Horn of Africa have created high hunger levels. Through PWS&D, we are helping to provide emergency support to people