

### Some important upcoming events

Sep 14—Who Are We Now? Part 3 with potluck lunch

Sep 20 & Oct 25—Fall workshops

Oct 5—The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Oct 5—Small Group Sunday

Nov 8— Annual Dream Auction (a great time to do some Christmas shopping)

Dec 14—Family Christmas service with (Ugly) Christmas sweater competition!

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

Organist: Martin Bohl  
Greeters: Angela Gibson  
Beadle: Elaine McLean  
Worship Assistant: Sylvia Brooks  
Tech Team: Laura Einwechter, Jacob Marsh

### This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday: Hope Clothing 9:00—11:30 am  
Wednesday: Mobile Food Market 12:30—1:30 pm  
Thursday: Hope Clothing Noon—2:00 pm  
Saturday: Hope Clothing 10 am — Noon

## SUMMER WORSHIP EXPERIENCE 2025!

All services begin at 10am

*Doon, Duff's, Knox Crieff  
& St. Andrew's Hespeler*

**JULY 6TH @ 10AM**  
Knox, Crieff Presbyterian Church

**JULY 13TH @ 10AM**  
Doon Presbyterian Church

**JULY 20TH @ 10AM**  
Knox, Crieff Presbyterian Church

**JULY 27TH @ 10AM**  
St. Andrew's Hespeler  
Presbyterian Church

Doon:  
35 Roos Street Kitchener  
Duff's:  
319 Brock Road South, Puslinch  
Knox Crieff:  
7156 Concession 1, Puslinch  
St. Andrew's Hespeler:  
73 Queen St E, Cambridge

**AUGUST 3RD @ 10AM**  
Duff's Presbyterian Church

**AUGUST 10TH @ 10AM**  
Doon Presbyterian Church

**AUGUST 17TH @ 10AM**  
Duff's Presbyterian Church

**AUGUST 24TH @ 10AM**  
St. Andrew's Hespeler  
Presbyterian Church

**AUGUST 31ST @ 10AM**  
Duff's Presbyterian Church

*We look forward to  
worshipping together again  
this summer!*

The Presbyterian Church in Canada



## Prayer Partnership

Engaging in God's Mission  
Through Word and Action

### DAILY PRAYERS

**Monday, July 28** We pray for all those in the Republic of Congo experiencing the impact of ongoing conflict. We pray that they can meet their basic needs with PWS&D's support.

**Tuesday, July 29** We give thanks for General Assembly standing committee members who have completed their terms and we seek God's guidance for those who will carry out this work in the coming year.

**Wednesday, July 30 (World Day Against Trafficking in People)** We pray for the leaders and volunteers of ARISE Ministry, who offer compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of human trafficking, trauma and abuse in the Greater Toronto Area.

**Thursday, July 31** We pray for participants in this year's Guder Scholar program at St Andrew's Hall. In August, pastors from across Canada will explore the theme of missional leadership and discernment as they seek to bless their congregations and communities with God's love.

**Friday, August 1 (Emancipation Day)** We acknowledge that anti-Black racism and prejudice are still present in our church and society and pray for people who work to oppose discrimination and all forms of enslavement.

**Saturday, August 2** We pray for scholars of theology and scripture, that their work will be in the service of the gospel, and the power of God's salvation for everyone."

### Mission Moment: July 227



In the village of Kaph Tola, India, the Karuna Project's Task Force addresses gender issues, including child marriage and its consequences.

When a member discovered that his 15-year-old niece, Amba, was scheduled to marry soon, the Task Force urged her family to cancel the wedding as it would impact her ability to continue school and influence her future. The family hesitated because of the paid dowry, but with help from a local legal team, the Task Force convinced them. Amba is grateful.

Now, she can continue pursuing her education and achieving her dreams. The Task Force continues its vital home visits, fostering brighter futures by preventing similar situations. This project is supported by PWS&D.



# St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church July 27, 2025 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9am-12pm

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

Prelude: Kyrie and Gloria by Otto Abel

Welcome

### Call to Worship:

L: God is our light and our salvation! Whom shall we fear?

**P: God is our stronghold. Of whom shall we be afraid?**

L: Let us be strong and of good courage as we wait upon God

**P: God has called us together, and we have come.**

L: Let us thank God forever, because of what God has done.

**P: We will proclaim God's holy name, for God is good. Let us worship God!**

Hymn #410 Joyful, joyful we adore you

1. Joyful, joyful we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love.

Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;

giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.



2. All your works with joy surround you; earth and heaven reflect your rays;  
stars and angels sing around you, centre of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, join to praise you joyfully.

3. You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,  
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest.  
God Creator, Christ our Saviour, all are yours who live in love.  
Teach us how to love our neighbour; lift us to your joy above.

4. Morning stars, awake the chorus; mortals, join with every part,  
for what joy is set before us as Christ’s love joins heart to heart!  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

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Prayer of Approach

L: God of majesty and mystery, your love and purpose embrace the whole world. You set us in a world of beauty and bounty and invite us to meet you in the midst of its wonders. You call us to love each other in the example of Jesus to make your world a place of justice and compassion. In this hour of worship, send us your Spirit of wisdom and grace so that we can live out the praise on our lips in our day-to-day living, which we offer to you, our one and only God.  
**Amen.**

Laying Down our Burdens

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Hymn #229 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love  
Refrain:       *Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love;  
                      show us how to serve  
                      the neighbours we have from you.*

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,  
master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain*

2. Neighbours are rich and poor, varied in colour and race;  
neighbours are near and far away. *Refrain*

3. These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should love;  
all are neighbours to us and you. *Refrain*

4. Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet;  
this is the way we should live with you. *Refrain*

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Responsive Psalm 82

L: God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

**P: “How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”**

L: They have neither knowledge nor understanding; they walk around in darkness;

**P: all the foundations of the earth are shaken.**

L: I say, “You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you; nevertheless, you shall die like mortals and fall like any prince.”

**P: Rise up, O God, judge the earth, for all the nations belong to you!**

Luke 10:25-37

<sup>25</sup> An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup> He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” <sup>27</sup> He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbour as yourself.” <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup> But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbour?” <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” <sup>37</sup> He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Hymn #631 Jesus’ hands were kind hands

1. Jesus’ hands were kind hands, doing good to all,  
healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,  
washing tired feet and saving those who fall;  
Jesus’ hands were kind hands, doing good to all.

2. Take my hands, Lord Jesus, let them work for you;  
make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do.  
Let me watch you, Jesus, till I’m gentle too,  
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of Generosity

Offertory: O Lord of Light, Who Made the Stars by Dennis Zimmer

Sermon: So Many Reasons Not to Stop!

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

*...forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors...*

Hymn #761 Who’s goin’ to tell the story

1. Who’s goin’ to tell the story? You and I!  
Tell of the Lord’s great glory? You and I!  
Who’s goin’ to let the whole world know?  
Help his disciples grow and multiply? You and I!

2. Who’s goin’ to bring the kingdom? You and I!  
Who’s goin’ to spread the gospel? You and I!  
Who’s goin’ to do the kindly deed?  
Comfort the one in need and help supply? You and I!

3. *Jesus came to bring us good news, sent to earth by God above!  
And the good news that he brought us is the word of love!*

4. Who’s goin’ to feed the hungry? You and I!  
Care for the sick and lonely? You and I!  
Who’s goin’ to let the whole world see  
people can live in harmony? Let’s try! You and I!

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Benediction

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.

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Postlude: Postlude on "Azmon" by Robert Lau

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August 24th.

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Next Sunday we will be worshipping together as four congregations at **Duff’s Presbyterian Church, 319 Brock Road South (at the 401) Puslinch, ON N0B2C0** . The service will begin at 10 am. (All summer services will begin at the same time). Check out the booklet for coming Sundays. Make sure to offer carpooling to people if you can!