

# Congregational Meeting



Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 22. Here are a few things you need to know:

- One the Wednesday before (February 18) at 7:00 pm there will be a **“Financial Meeting.”** This will be an opportunity to go over financial information and budget and ask any detailed questions.
- On February 22, we will begin at 10 am with a **Review and Celebration** of all the ways that God has been at work among us over the past year. God’s actions among us will be our message for the day.
- Following worship, we will deal with **business and motions** that need to come before the congregation.
- **Annual Reports** are available to be picked up today. If you would like a pdf copy of the report, please contact the staff or clerk of session to request them to send you one.

Next Week:



## Women in the Bible

The Women in the Bible Study will meet again one week from Wednesday but the next meeting will take place at 12 Noon instead of 10 am.



Women in the Bible

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

Organist:	Martin Bohl
Sunday School leaders:	Donald Paddock & Angie Gibson
Worship Assistant:	Elaine McLean
Greeter:	Sylvia Brooks
Beadle:	Patrice Wappler
Tech team:	Dylan Smith, Jacob Marsh, Laura Einwechter

## This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday: Hope Clothing	9:00 am—11:30 am
Wednesday: Mobile Food Market	12:30 - 1:30 pm
Thursday: Hope Clothing	noon—2:00 pm
Thursday: Food Bank	noon—2:00 pm

## Some important upcoming events

Feb 18: Financial Meeting prior to the Annual General Meeting  
Feb 19: the next Cambridge Neighbourhood Table dinner  
Feb 22: First Sunday in Lent  
Feb 22: A Year in Review Celebration  
Feb 22: Annual General Meeting  
Mar 25: Session/Deacon call out  
Mar 29: Palm Sunday Parade  
Apr 5: Easter Celebration  
May 24: Pentecost Party



The rose on the communion table has been placed in celebration of the birth of Kathy and Heinz Bott's newest grandchild, Rose Mary Jean, daughter of Lisa and Steve.

## EXCITING NEWS!

A new venting system was installed this week for the furnaces that heat the sanctuary. This should solve some problems we have been having about the furnaces not functioning at peak efficiency.



# St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church

## February 15, 2026

### Transfiguration Sunday



Why Doesn't God Just Speak Directly to Us Today?

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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: Cavatina by Lani Smith

Welcome

Call to worship

L: The God of glory rules over the earth in majesty and mystery.

P: We praise God's holy name!

L: The Spirit of God empowers us to do justice and calls us together in equity.

P: We come to honour God's purposes with love and loyalty.

L: The Christ of glory shines in this place.

P: We praise God's holy name!

Hymn #187 We have come at Christ's own bidding (To Tune #410)

1. We have come at Christ's own bidding to this high and holy place, where we wait with hope and longing for same token of God's grace. Here we pray for new assurance that our faith is not in vain, searching like those first disciples for a sign both clear and plain.

2. Light breaks in upon our darkness; splendour bathes the flesh-joined Word;

Moses and Elijah marvel as the heavenly voice is heard.

Eyes and hearts behold with wonder how the Law and Prophets meet: Christ, with garments drenched in brightness, stands transfigured and complete.

3. Strengthened by this glimpse of glory, fearful lest our faith decline, we like Peter find it tempting to remain and build a shrine, but true worship gives us courage to proclaim what we profess, that our daily lives may prove us people of the God we bless.

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#### Opening Prayer

L: God of grace and of wonder, you are the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you and the strength of those who serve you. In you we have our beginning and our end and in you we find our life's purpose. We come to worship, to marvel in your goodness and seek your truth, as we offer all praise and honour to you, with Christ and the Holy Spirit, One God, mighty and merciful, now and always. **Amen.**

#### Laying Down Our Burdens

#### Responsive Psalm 99

L: The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble!

**P: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

L: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name.

**P: Holy is he!**

L: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;

**P: you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

L: Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool.

**P: Holy is he!**

L: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name.

**P: They cried to the LORD, and he answered them.**

L: He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;

**P: they kept his decrees and the statutes that he gave them.**

L: O LORD our God, you answered them;

**P: you were a forgiving God to them but an avenger of their wrongdoings.**

L: Extol the LORD our God,

**P: and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.**

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9 Read by Laurna Chopping-Clark

Hymn #377 Come, children, join to sing

1. Come, children, join to sing—hallelujah, amen—praise to our Servant King, hallelujah, amen! Let all with heart and voice saved by God's gracious choice, now in this place rejoice—hallelujah, amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high—hallelujah, amen—let praises fill the sky—hallelujah, amen! Christ calls his people friends; lost, outcast he defends with love that never ends—hallelujah, amen!

3. Loud now our voices raise—hallelujah, amen—no power can still our praise—hallelujah, amen! On heavens blessed shore, God's goodness we'll adore singing forevermore—hallelujah, amen!

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#### Family Time

#### Life and Work of the Church

#### Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: Melody by Eric Thiman

Sermon: Why Doesn't God Just Speak Directly to Us Today?

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer  
(... *forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors...*)

Hymn #375 Fairest Lord Jesus

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, Lord of all creation, Jesus, of God and Mary the Son: thee will I cherish, thee will I honour, O thou my soul's delight and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the verdure and bloom of spring. Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes the saddest heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, fair is the shimmering, starry sky: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines clearer than all the heavenly host on high.

4. All fairest beauty heavenly and earthly, wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee; none can be nearer, fairer or dearer than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

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#### Benediction

Choral Response #755 Go ye, go ye into the world

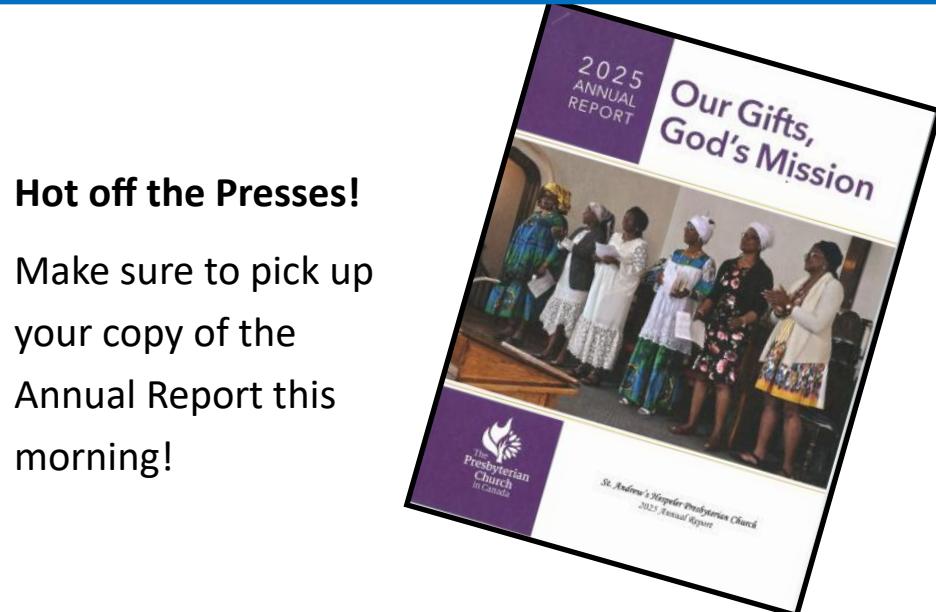
1. Go ye, go ye into the world, and make disciples of all the nations. Go ye, go ye into the world, and I will be with you there!  
2. Go ye, go ye into the world, and take the gospel to all the people. Go ye, go ye into the world, and I will be with you there!

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!

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Postlude: Fugue by D. Buxtehude



#### Hot off the Presses!

Make sure to pick up your copy of the Annual Report this morning!

#### Mission Moment: February 15

In Ghana, communities are increasingly affected by the impacts of climate change. Families face daily difficulties like poverty and limited livelihood options. People with disabilities often face steeper barriers to education, health care and employment. PWS&D helps address these issues with our partner, the Garu Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) Program. Dominic Anane, who has a hearing impairment, was trained in climate-resilient agricultural practices and received improved seeds and breeding livestock through the CBR program. "The CBR and PWS&D are God sent. They supported me in engaging in agricultural production. I planted maize, soya bean and sorghum. My crops are looking good, and I am raising sheep alongside. This will help meet the livelihood needs of my family and get us out of poverty," Dominic said.

