

Attention all groups and teams!

We are working on a Fall Newsletter. If you have anything you would like included please forward your information, via email to Rev. Scott; smcandless@standrewshespeler.ca

Don't wait to register, the workshops are filling up quickly!

ST ANDREW'S FALL WORKSHOPS



SUNRISE BIRCH
WORKSHOP

MONDAY SEPT 14: 1-4
SAT SEPT 19: 9:12 or 1-4

- no experience necessary
- all materials provided
- you will go home with a lovely matted 8x10 painting

• COST: \$35 +hst

For more info and to register, visit:
www.DebbieEllisWatercolours.ca

CHRISTMAS CARD WORKSHOPS



Please join me for this new workshop as part of the St Andrew's Fall Workshops

To be held at St Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church Room 206 (Small class size)
Cost \$35+hst
All materials provided
No experience necessary

We will be making 5-6 small Christmas cards (4x6) inc. envelopes.

Your choice of date/time:
Wed Oct 21: 1:00-4:00
Sat Oct 24: 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00
Mon Oct 26: 1:00-4:00
Sat Oct 31: 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00

Register now: www.DebbieEllisWatercolours.ca

Mission Moment: Sunday, September 6

Children living at Samuel House as well as some disadvantaged local children in Micske, Romania, play, study and enjoy nutritious meals together in a loving family-like Christian environment. They celebrate their birthdays and Christian holidays and in the summer attend summer camp. Without state support, Samuel House depends on domestic and international donations and this is where your gifts to Presbyterians Sharing come in. Csilla Bertalan, Director of Samuel House, writes, "Thank you for holding the children in our care in your prayers. And thank you for sharing your resources with us so that they may live their lives in fullness."



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: Food Bank	noon—2:00 pm
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Some important upcoming events

- Sep 6: Regular worship begins again at St. Andrew's—Welcome Back!
- Sep 14: St. Andrew's Fall workshops begin—registration needed
- Sep 27: Fire Drill Sunday—boy it's hot in here!
- Oct 4: World Day of Communion
- Nov 7: Annual Dream Auction

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

Organist:	Martin Bohl
Worship Assistant:	Joanne Waugh
Greeters:	Angie Gibson
Beadle:	Jean Godin
Sunday School:	Alexis Smith
Tech Team:	Laura Einwechter, Jacob Marsh, Dylan Smith

Sunday, September 6,
2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost



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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: Voluntary by E. Elgar

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Sing to God a new song.

P: We will worship God, our Maker!

L: Let us praise God with song and dance,

P: For God is gracious and loving!

L: Let us bring God glory and honour,

P: Praise the Lord.

Hymn: #472 We are God's people

1. We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
born of the Spirit, established by the word;
our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in him we stand:
oh let us live transparently,
and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

2. We are God’s loved ones, the bride of Christ our Lord,
for we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
now let us learn how to return the gift of love once given:
oh let us share each joy and care
and live with a zeal that pleases heaven.

3. We are the body of which the Lord is head,
called to obey him, now risen from the dead;
he wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:
oh let us freely give our gifts,
and so shall God’s work on earth be done.

4. We are a temple, the Spirit’s dwelling place,
formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God’s grace;
alone, we die, for on its own each ember loses fire:
yet joined in one the flame burns on
to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

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Opening Prayer

L: God of grace and glory, your creative power is beyond imagining,
your love is wider than the whole universe, your mercy is beyond
the highest heavens, your wisdom is deeper than the seas. Maker of
all things, you became one of us in Jesus Christ, walking the roads
we take each day, experiencing the joys and frustrations of life in
your world, and preaching your reign in word and action. Through
your Spirit, you are present with us in every time and place to
comfort and challenge us. For all that you have been, are and will
be, we worship you as Creator, Christ, and Spirit, now and always.
Amen.

Laying Down Burdens

Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel;
whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them
warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall
surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from
their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will
require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their
ways and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their
iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel: Thus you have said:
“Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away
because of them; how then can we live?” ¹¹ Say to them: As I live, says
the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that
the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from
your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Psalms 119:33-40

L: Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to
the end.

**P: Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it
with my whole heart.**

L: Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.
**P: Turn my heart to your decrees and not to selfish gain. Turn my eyes
from looking at vanities; be gracious to me according to your word.**

L: Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.
Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

**P: See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness be
gracious to me.**

Matthew 18:15-20

Read by Laurina Chopping-Clarke

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 our Generosity

Offertory: O Saviour, Precious Saviour by H. Willan

Sermon: **If** There is a Conflict

Prayers of the People

... forgive us our debts and we forgive our debtors...

Hymn #481 Blest be the tie that binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

2. Before our Maker’s throne we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

3. We share each other’s woes, each other’s burdens bear,
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

4. When we asunder part, it gives us keenest pain,
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

5. This glorious hope revives our courage on the way:
in perfect friendship we shall live in God’s eternal day.

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Benediction



Choral Response #777 Send me, Lord / Thuma Mina
Leader: Send me, Lord.
All 1. Send me, Jesus; send me, Jesus; send me, Jesus; send me, Lord.
Leader: Lead me, Lord.
All 2. Lead me, Jesus; lead me, Jesus; lead me, Jesus; lead me, Lord.
Leader: Fill me, Lord.
All 3. Fill me, Jesus; fill me, Jesus; fill me, Jesus; fill me, Lord.

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Postlude: March by B. Yarnold

Hot off the Presses!

Pick up a copy of Presbyterian
Connections today to read about the
latest new from General Assembly and
the church across the country.

Can you find the picture of someone
from our congregation?



NATIONAL DAY FOR
TRUTH AND
RECONCILIATION

EVERY
CHILD
MATTERS

September 30th is the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**, also
called Orange Shirt Day. It is a national day of memory for the
generations of Indigenous children taken to residential schools: for
people who are Survivors, intergenerational Survivors, their families
and communities, and for the children who never made it home from
the schools.

Orange Shirt Day was begun by Phyllis Webstad, a Survivor who at age
six had entered the St. Joseph Mission Residential School in B.C wearing
a beloved orange shirt, only to have it taken away and replaced with
the institution’s uniform. The loss of the orange shirt became symbolic
of all that was taken from children at the schools – language, culture,
family and community relationships, spiritual practices, safety, security,
identity and sometimes even their lives.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada ran 12 residential schools. In the
church’s apology we make five fundamental commitments, including
listening to and learning from Indigenous people and telling the truth
about the past. One way congregations support these commitments is
by publicly marking September 30.