

Sunday, 12 October 2025



**St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church**

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Preludes	Pastorale in F	Alfred Hollins
	Variations on “St. George”	F. C. Woods

Welcome and Announcements

Introit To Thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise Arthur Sullivan

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**We will worship the Lord with gladness
and come into God's presence with song.**

Know that it is the Lord God who made us, and we are God's people.

We will enter God's gates with praise and thanksgiving.

Let us give thanks to God this day and bless God's holy name

Hymn We plough the fields and scatter 807

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Assurance

Gospel Box

Lord's Prayer

Scripture Psalm 103:1-5
Luke 17:11-19

Hymn All things bright and beautiful 435

Message “Thanksgiving for the Unthankful”

Anthem Sing to the Lord of Harvest Healey Willan

Invitation to the Offering

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow 830

Dedication of Offering

Prayers of the People

Responsive: God of all goodness,
Receive our prayers.

Hymn Now thank we all our God 457

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude Fantasia John E. West

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and forget not all the benefits of the Lord.

The Lord forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;

redeeming your life from the grave

and crowning you with mercy and loving-kindness;

satisfying you with good things,

and renewing your youth like an eagle's.

Luke 17:11-19

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

For the word of God in Scripture
For the word of God within us
For the word of God around us
Thanks be to God.

Introit: To Thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise

To Thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise in hymns of adoration,
To Thee bring sacrifice of praise with shouts of exultation.
Bright robes of gold the fields adorn, the hills with joy are ringing,
The valleys stand so thick with corn that even they are singing.

And now, on this our festal day, Thy bounteous hand confessing,
Upon Thine altar, Lord, we lay the first-fruits of Thy blessing.
By Thee the souls of men are fed with gifts of grace supernal,
Thou Who dost give us daily bread, Give us the bread eternal.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: Sir Arthur Sullivan (1842-1900)

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

There are some great hymns connected with this day of Thanksgiving. This is an important service in the church year and I love the hymns that go with it.

The **Introit** comes from our old 1972 Book of Praise and who but Sir Arthur Sullivan (without Gilbert) could compose such a rousing hymn. The **Anthem** is an arrangement of another great hymn which should be in our hymn book.

For the organ music today, I turned to a collection of Harvest music compiled under the title “The Village Organist”. This is music put together by the editor of Novello Publishing House, John Ebenezer West. These are practical pieces by mostly obscure composers, intended for organs smaller than the cathedral variety. Of course the

editor managed to sneak in a couple of his own pieces. The introduction to the **first Hymn** is by John E. West, who also composed the **Postlude**. The Postlude is based on Joseph Barnby's anthem "O Lord, How Manifold". West was born into a musical family in 1863 and went on to be organist and choir director at different posts in London. He was editor of Novello & Company for 45 years and managed to have nearly 500 of his compositions published. In 1929, while conducting a choir at Westminster Central Hall, he collapsed on stage and died while doing what he loved.

Anthem: Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise!
By Him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest a song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop fatness, the deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.
He filleth with His fullness, all things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness, with plenty, and with peace.

Heap on His sacred altar the gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls He died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him when at His feet ye fall,
And with your lives adore Him who gave His life for all.

Music: tune "Wie lieblich ist der Maien" (1581)

arr. Healey Willan (1950)

Words: J.S.B. Monsell (1811-1875)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us this week, in person and online. We are happy that you're here, and hope you find the service meaningful and satisfying. Please stay for a time of refreshment and fellowship in the Hall immediately after the service.

Giving Thanks

Hebrews 13:15-16 “Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” (NIV)

This season’s “decorations” speak of what we probably all have and for which we should be thankful to God. The table closest to the pews show **what every individual in the world should have**: food, water, clothing, a roof over their heads, shoes, socks, a coat, a hat, mittens or gloves, a pillow and a blanket. There are even people here in Kingston who do not even have these necessities.

The Communion table shows things which again most of us have: music, pets, books, healthcare, personal care items, access to sports, access to schools. For many, these are **luxuries**. Again, we should be thankful to God and think of ways to share these luxuries with others. You will see “people” on both tables: our friends, neighbours, families, co-workers are needed everywhere.

How can we help individuals have access to the necessities all should have? Where is God calling us to thanksgiving?

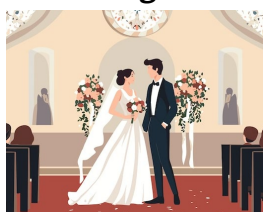
Please come up before or after the service to take a closer look.

“The relief and development agency of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (PWS&D) invites us to show our gratitude to God by our response to the harsh realities of poverty, hunger and conflict in our global village.*”

**This excerpt is from a reflection from a sermon that Dr. Lucille Marr, Chaplain, Presbyterian College of Montreal, preached in the college chapel in the 2024-2025 academic year.*



A Wedding at St. Andrew's



The congregation is cordially invited to the wedding ceremony of Eric McCracken and Hannah Tyler, which will take place in the sanctuary on Saturday, 18 October at 1:00 pm. Coffee, tea and sweets to follow.

The Mess Studio

The Mess Studio is looking ahead to our Art Show & Sale on November and we are looking for Crafters/Makers for our Vendors Market.

The Market runs from 11am - 3pm alongside our Art Show & Sale.

It was a big success last year and we are excited about bringing it back for 2025. If anyone in the congregation is interested in having a table please have them reach out to us at:

themesskingston@gmail.com

“Sharing Life Together” in our church community.

Announcing 3 opportunities to gather and explore our faith in small groups this fall:

1) **A 6-week Bible Study** – we will meet in St.

Andrew’s Hall on Wednesday evenings 7:00-

8:30 from November 5 to December 10. The

study will be discussion based and led by

several members of the congregation. It is

open to everyone, including those not associated with St. Andrew’s, so

come and invite a friend! Please pre-register for this study so that we

procure sufficient materials for those attending. For more information

and to register, please contact Dave Stewart at

davestewart51@gmail.com.



2) **A group for younger adults** (ages 20-40-ish) – we will meet at the

home of Nancy and Ken Hancock

for lunch following church on

November 9, followed by a study

and discussion. At this meeting we

will plan on a regular time based on

participant preferences. Please

register by contacting Nancy at

nancyhancock2012@gmail.com



3) Beginning soon, the church will be open on

Wednesday from 12-1 for anyone wishing to

come in for **reflection and quiet meditation**.

There may be an informal time of quiet music

and reflective readings.



Mission Moment – Weather Relief



For Sigere Medison, a single mother in Balaka District in Malawi, life took a harsh turn when an El Niño weather phenomenon affected her community. Relief came when PWS&D and Canadian Foodgrains Bank implemented an emergency response with the help of local partner CARD. Sigere received monthly cash transfers for five months. “Since November, life has been smooth. My family has been able to eat throughout the day. I am forever grateful,” she shares with a smile.



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Beadle:	Larry
Livestreaming:	Christopher
Flowers	Decorating Committee
Ushers today:	Elaine and Pat
Ushers 19 October:	Eleanor & Susanne

Gathering to serve God & neighbour
in this community since 1817

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands
of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.