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World Communion Sunday – uncredited internet image

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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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.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Preludes Toccata Avanti la Messa Frescobaldi

Toccata per l'elevazione Frescobaldi

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Set thou thy trust upon the Lord Scottish Psalter

Call to Worship

We come as guests invited to a table.

We come to celebrate with friends and neighbours.

Jesus Christ, our Friend and Saviour, invites us to gather.

We gather with his friends around the world.

Come and worship with hearts full of God's praise and promise.

We worship God in gladness, for God's faithfulness endures forever.

Hymn Jesus calls us here to meet him 528

Gospel Box

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Assurance

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Luke 19:4-10

Anthem Bread of the World Dennis Eliot

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Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow 830

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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Apostle's Creed (see next page)

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive, see next page)

The Lord's Prayer (see next page)

Words of Institution
Sharing the Meal

Prayer after Communion

Hymn Sent forth by your blessing

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude Canzona il postcommunio Frescobaldi

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 37:1-9

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in the Holy One who will bring it to pass.

God will make your righteousness as clear as the light Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for God.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

Luke 19:4-10

So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

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All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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.**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three... (minister continues the prayer)... we join in the rejoicing of your creation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy is your Son Jesus, O God... (minister continues the prayer) ... And so, we celebrate the mystery of our faith in him:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Holy God, When the sounds of our rejoicing fall silent... (minister continues the prayer) ... who taught us when we pray to say together:

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.

Introit

Set thou thy trust upon the Lord, and be thou doing good, And so thou in the land shalt dwell, and verily have food.

Delight thyself in God; He'll give thine heart's desire to thee. Thy way to God commit, Him trust; It bring to pass shall He.

> Text: Scottish Psalter 1650 Tune: "St. Andrew" from William Tans'ur's New Harmony of Zion, 1764

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

On this Communion Sunday, I am taking a look at a set of pieces which were composed as part of an organ mass. These pieces are from one of three masses by Italian Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583-1643). This is the only published set of liturgical pieces by Frescobaldi and he gave it the title "Fiori Musicali" (Musical Flowers). There are actually three different organ masses in the collection and today's organ music comes from his second mass "In festis duplicibus I". The first **Prelude** has the full title "Toccata Avanti la Messa delli Apostoli" The second **Prelude** was to be played in the middle of the communion ("Toccata per l'Elevazione") and today's **Postlude** ("Canzona quarti toni dopo ilcommunio") was to be played at the end of the communion service.

Frescobaldi was a child prodigy and did some study in Flanders before becoming organist at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Many of his pieces became models of counterpoint for other composers for a couple of centuries. He influenced many composers including Purcell in England and Bach in Germany. Many of his compositions showed great innovation. Despite his name, he apparently had a good head of hair.

The **Introit** is a paraphrase of Psalm 37 which first appeared in the Scottish Psalter of 1650. The tune goes back to 1764, found in "William Tans'ur's New Harmony of Zion". The full paraphrase hymn is #16 in our old Book of Praise (1972).

The **Anthem** by contemporary American composer Dennis Eliot is based on the traditional American tune "Wayfaring Stranger".

Anthem

Bread of the world in mercy broken; Wine of the soul in mercy shed, By whom the words of life were spoken, And in whose death our sins are dead;

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed; And be your feast to us the token That by your grace our souls are fed!

Sit at this place, dear Lord and Father, Fill up the cup and break the bread; O let us feel your loving power, O let us hear the words you said:

"This is my blood and body broken, Refresh you spirit, make it whole; Remember me with food, the token: Bread of the word, wine of the soul."

> Text: Reginal Heber (1827), Gilbert M. Martin (1996) Music: Dennis Eliot, based on the tune "Wayfaring Stranger"

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.

"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 on Sundays following church beginning on November 9. Lunch will be served, followed by a study and discussion. Please register for this course by contacting Nancy at nancyhancock2012@gmail.com

3) Beginning soon, the church will be open on Fridays 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.



A Wedding at St. Andrew's



The congregation is cordially invited to the wedding ceremony of Eric and Hannah, 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 in 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:

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SERVING THIS MORNING

Beadle: Larry

Livestreaming: Christopher

Flowers Alma Ushers today: Elders

Ushers 12 Oct: Elaine and Pat

Cover Art

A simple Google image search of "World Communion Sunday" yields thousands of results. The vast majority of them are the standard representations of bread and a cup, with or without a cross in the background. Some of them however, like the picture on the front of the bulletin this week, focus more on the 'community' aspect of communion. Both words come from the Latin 'communio', (and the Greek 'koinōnia') both of which mean "sharing in common", "mutual participation" or "fellowship". Both convey a message of generality, familiarity and togetherness, which ultimately is the point of our sacramental Holy Communion – to share common elements symbolizing the spiritual sharing of Christ's body and blood.

World Communion Sunday is observed on the first Sunday in October by Christians worldwide to celebrate their unity in Christ and the diversity of the global church.

On this day, people of various denominations, cultures, and nations gather for Holy Communion, recognizing that no one is superior at Christ's table. The observance, which began in the 1930s, emphasizes that while differences exist, all believers are united by Christ and called to serve.



Mission Moment - Christian Camp



Through Regional
Resourcing Grants, The
Presbyterian Church in
Canada supports camps
across the country that
offer safe, welcoming
spaces for children and
youth. These camps nurture
young hearts and minds by
planting seeds of faith while
providing opportunities for

fun, discovery, and personal growth. From high ropes and canoeing to crafts and coding, they inspire curiosity and adventure, all while sharing the message of God's love.







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