



Sunday, October 5, 2025 World Communion Sunday

We acknowledge that we gather to worship, this day, on the traditional territory of the First Nations of this land.



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Connect with us...

For general inquiries, to submit or update your personal contact information, or to subscribe to any of our electronic newsletters, please contact the Church Office at: info@standrewstoronto.org

If you are interested in becoming a member of this dynamic congregation, in being baptized or having your child baptized, please contact our Senior Minister, the Rev. Dr. William Ingram, or the Church Office.

Please respect each other by refraining from using strongly scented products while at St. Andrew's Church. A scent-free area has been designated in the southwest corner of the sanctuary.

Church Officers - Adrian Espina, Theo Neuman, Ugyen Talha

Please note that photography/filming may be taking place within the Sanctuary and/or Great Hall for promotional and archival purposes. The photographs and recordings are likely to appear on our website and our social media platforms.

If you would prefer not to be photographed, please let the photographer know.

As you prepare for worship...



Please turn off the sound on your mobile phones and do not use photographic, video or recording equipment without prior permission from the ministers.

Welcome to St. Andrew's Church

The people of St. Andrew's are called, by God, to serve in faith, hope and love in the heart of Toronto. We believe that we are called to be an inclusive community and to welcome all with open arms and hearts of love. We are glad that you are here today!



Gathered in God's Presence

‡ = please stand if able

Preparation for Worship

Prayer, Meditation and Quiet Visiting

Organ Prelude

Adagio, BWV 525

J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

Meditation on Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Hancock (1934 – 2012)

The congregation is invited to rise during the entry of the Bible

Call to Worship ‡

Hymn #65 ‡ All people that on earth do dwell

OLD 100TH

Opening Responses ‡

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness;

come into God's presence with singing.

One: What shall I return to the Lord for all God's bounty to me?

All: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

One: O Lord open our lips,

All: and our mouths shall declare your praise.

Introit O God who has called us

Daley (1955 -)

O God who has called us to be your servant people, grant that we may live in Your spirit and love one another as Christ has so loved us.

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Adoration Confession

A time for the silent confession of sin will be observed

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Kyrie (Merbecke, 547 BOP)

Assurance of Pardon
Supplication and Choral Amen

Children's Time Children ages 3 to 12, are welcome to go into Church School at this time.

Words of Welcome

The Word Proclaimed

The Holy Scriptures Reader: Erica Cooke

Lamentations 1:1-6 and 3:19-26 (848, OT)



Psalm 37:1-9 ‡

Do not fret be/cause - of the / wicked;
Do not be / envious - of / wrongdoers,
For they will soon / fade - like the / grass,
And wither / like the - green / herb.

Trust in the / Lord, and - do / good;
So you will live in the land, and en/joy se/curity.

Take de/light - in the / Lord,
And he will give you the / desires of - your / heart.

Commit your / way - to the / Lord;
Trust in him, and / he will / act.
He will make your vindication / shine - like the / light,
And the justice of your / cause - like the / noonday.

Be still be/fore the / Lord,
And wait / patiently - for / him;
Do not fret over those who / prosper - in their / way,
Over those who carry out / evil - de/vices.

Refrain from anger, and for/sake / wrath.

Do not fret - it leads / only - to / evil.

For the wicked / shall be - cut / off,

But those who wait for the Lord shall in/herit - the / land.

Glory be to the Father, and / to the / Son, /
And to the / Holy / Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, * is now, * and / ever / shall be:
World without / end. A/men.

2 Timothy 1:1-14 (228, NT) Luke 17:5-10 (82, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem O Lord, increase my faith

Loosemore (1607 - 1670)

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith; endue me with wisdom, charity, chastity, and patience, in all my adversity, sweet Jesus, say Amen.

Sermon "But this I call to mind..."

Rev. Dr. William G. Ingram

Our Response

Affirmation of Faith ‡

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy

Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

The Offering

Offertory Anthem Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Friedell (1905 - 2958)

Draw us in the spirit's tether, for when humbly in Thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them; Alleluia. Touch we now thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup. Alleluia. So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of Thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluia. We will serve Thee faithfully.

Hymn #543 ‡ Here, O my Lord, I see thee V. 1-3

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The Celebration of Holy Communion

Invitation to Communion

Everyone is welcome to partake in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

The Great Entry

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

One:

Hear the gracious words of our Saviour, Jesus Christ: Come to me, you who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

All: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

The Words of Institution

One:

In obedience to our Lord Jesus Christ, and for a memorial of him we do this, who, on the night he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." As our Lord gave thanks and blessed, let us draw near to God and present our prayers and thanksgivings.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The sections in italics will be sung.

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is right to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

Throughout the ages, your faithfulness to the world has sustained and nourished life. For all of your creative, transforming and inspiring works, we praise your name and join in the eternal hymn of all the angels and saints who sing:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord of God of Hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory,
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord:
Hosanna in the highest.

One: Holy are you, indeed, and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son. In his life, death, resurrection and ascension, we have caught sight of your glory, power and goodness. Therefore, in remembrance of the mighty acts and blessed promises of Jesus, we offer ourselves to you in union with his offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



One: Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and on this bread and wine. Let the bread we break be true fellowship in the body of Christ. Let the cup we share be a true participation in the new covenant in his blood. Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all glory and honour are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

One: And now as our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray together:

All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the

kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

One: We break this bread, communion in Christ's body once broken.

We share this cup, communion in Christ's blood once shed.

The Communion

After the minister and elders have received the elements, the elders will distribute the bread and wine to the congregation. As you are served the elements, please feel free to partake of them.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

The Grace

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Hymn #543 ‡ Here, O my Lord, I see thee V. 4-3

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The Sending

Dismissal ‡ Bodle (1923 - 2022)



Benediction ‡ The congregation is invited to remain standing until the Ministers recess

Organ Postlude Paean Hurford (1930 – 2019)

Following our worship service, you are invited to gather in the Great Hall for a time of fellowship.

Please use the blue doors to the left of the pulpit at the front.

We extend a special welcome to those of you visiting St. Andrew's for the first time, and to those who have visited us in the past. If you would like more information about life here at St. Andrew's church, we encourage you to complete our Welcome Card that can be found in each pew. You may drop it off in the collection plate during the offering, or in the designated box found in the Narthex as you leave.

10 Year Recognition of STARS Volunteers

Please join us today during Coffee Hour when we will recognize the 10 years of service to STARS by some of our volunteers, Candace Brown, Patricia Budimir, Karen Lippett, Mary Maiden, Sally Martin and Betsy Nieuwland.



The St. Andrew's Choristers will rehearse today in the Nave. If you are interested in singing in this group, please speak with Dan Bickle or contact him at: dbickle@standrewstoronto.org

Communion Services for Fall 2025

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated during worship on November 30.

Bible Study

The Sunday morning Bible Study Group meets at 9am in the Boardroom. No background or understanding of the Bible is necessary to participate in this study group – all are welcome!

Church School

Church School is now back in session for children 3 to 12 years of age. To register your child, please complete the form found on our Faith Formation page at:

https://standrewstoronto.org/connect/christian-education-events/

The Nursery is available for those up to 2 years of age and may be found on the second floor.

The Church Library is Open!

Looking for a great summer read? The church library is open and ready to welcome you! Feel free to browse the bookcases and discover something inspiring. The library hours will be every Sunday from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Visits outside these hours can be arranged by appointment. Please email lorianncomeau@gmail.com at least 24 hours in advance to schedule your visit. Happy reading, and thank you for supporting our church library!

Materials available in the library are listed in St. Andrew's online catalogue 'StAndrewsTO' at https://www.librarycat.org/lib/StAndrewsTO



St. Andrew's Church seeks to be a caring community for all people. If you – or someone you know – are in need of prayer or caring contact with a minister or member of our congregation's pastoral care team, please send a note to: pastoralcare@standrewstoronto.org All correspondence and concerns will be kept confidential.

October 16 – ESL Bible Study

St. Andrew's Church is offering an ESL Bible Study this fall, beginning Thursday, Oct 16th at 7pm. In the boardroom. Rev. Jaylynn will lead the study on *The Life of Jesus Christ: The Gospel of Mark*.

We welcome all different levels of English proficiency. If you'd like to learn about the Christian faith, we invite you to come along!

Please email Rev. Jaylynn Byassee at <u>jbyassee@standrewstoronto.org</u> for more information and signups.

November 8th Congregational Retreat "Spirituality in a Digital Age"

We are planning on a Congregational Retreat on Saturday, November 8th at Knox College. This will be an all day event and lunch will be provided. The cost will be \$25.00. A registration form and more detailed information will follow shortly. Please hold the date.



Better English Café

The Better English Café meets Tuesday evenings at 7pm in the Great Hall. This is an opportunity for newcomers, International students and even visitors to this city, to improve their conversational English. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this program, please let them know.

For all Updates please checkout our Meetup Page at:

https://www.meetup.com/Better-English-Cafe/



Do you love to sing? SingTO, our community choir will be welcoming new members this fall. Previous singing experience is not a pre-requisite. For more information, please speak with Dan Bickle or contact us at SingTO@standrewstoronto.org



Music at St. Andrew's

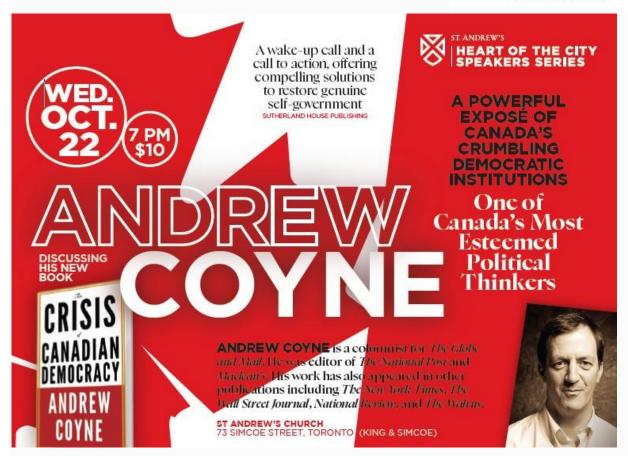
The Friday Noon Recitals of October 10th will feature Luke Welch, piano. Music by Montague Ring, Nathaniel Dett and Frederic Chopin.

Admission is free with opportunity for voluntary donation.

A list of the October and November performers is now available online at our website:

www.standrewstoronto.org







St. Andrew's Community Services
TCS Charity Challenge at the
TCS Toronto Waterfront Marathon

Event Date: Saturday, October 18 for the 5km run/walk

Help Us Reach our Goal of \$15,000.00 in support of our Outreach Programs including, Out of the Cold, Refugee Sponsorship, the Better English Café and SingTO. Its's easy, simply click on the QR code and it will take you to the team page.

Registration to join the team has now closed so we ask that you kindly support our team members by donating in their name.

Antonio Pelaez Barcelo Jaylynn Byassee

Oliver Dennis

Douglas Grundy

Fraser Grundy

Susan Grundy Lois Hird Lesley Jensen

Claire Lemiski

Allan Lever

Lisa Philpott

Pamela Richardson

Karen Sargeant

Will Ingram



Volunteer with Out of the Cold at St. Andrew's

While our Out of the Cold Community Breakfast continues on Tuesday mornings all year round, and the boutique is back in full operation, we are also gearing up for the resumption of our Out of the Cold Monday dinner program in November. In order that all these efforts continue to operate and to serve the community in this time of ever greater need, volunteers are needed, in fact they are the very core of this program. If you are able to volunteer with us, in any part of the Out of the Cold program we would greatly appreciate it. Our volunteer application form, which must be completed by both new and returning volunteers, will be available shortly.

The orientation meeting for this year's volunteers will be held on Monday, October 20 at 5pm. Volunteers are invited to join us in the Great Hall – 73 Simcoe Street entrance, or via Zoom. A link will be shared with those indicating that they would like to join the meeting online.

Please note that the boutique will be open during breakfast every other week on the following dates:

September 30 October 14 & 28 November 11 & 25.

As the colder weather approaches, the boutique is in need of specific items and donations would be greatly appreciated.

Men's:

XL and 2XL tee shirts-long and short sleeves.

Pants - all sizes

All items should be laundered before donating.

Men's and women's new underwear

Stewardship and Giving

As a congregation, we are blessed in so many ways. Let us continue to work together to support the life and ministry of this wonderful community of faith.

Methods of giving:

- Signing up for PAR plan (pre-authorized remittance forms can be found in the Narthex)
- Placing your offering in the collection plate during worship service.
- Mailing a cheque to the Church Office at: 73 Simcoe Street, Toronto, ON M5J 1W9
- Donating online by Credit Card at standrewstoronto.org/donate/
- Sending an E-transfers to: donations@standrewstoronto.org

 OR
- Scanning the QR code to donate online.
- Or by our latest method of donation Contactless tap. A floor stand device will now be
 available in the Narthex each Sunday, allowing you to give a pre-set amount of \$10.00. This
 charge will appear on your statement as "St. Andrew's Church." Please note, no receipt will be
 issued for amounts given via this method.

We appreciate your ongoing and faithful support!

PLANNING YOUR LEGACY

If you are considering making a legacy bequest to St. Andrew's Church, here is suggested wording for your will:

"I give and bequeath to St.	Andrew's Heritage Trust (charitable registration number BN	N :
119163566RR0001),	% of the residue of my estate [or the sum of \$] to be used
for such purposes and designs as deemed appropriate by the Session of St. Andrew's Church."		

For more information you may contact Graeme Hepburn at graeme@hepburn.to or John Matheson at: jmmatheson@rogers.com







FALL 2025

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Do you have a reflection, story, poem, or short essay you'd like to share with the St. Andrew's community?

Whether it's about your experience of faith, thoughts on our church life, or hopes for the future, we invite you to contribute to the upcoming Spring issue of The Catalyst—coming out in June.

We'd love to hear what's in your heart and mind!

Submission Guidelines:

- Send a piece between 200-700 words (Word document preferred)
 - Email your contribution to Yvonne Pigott (ypigott@yahoo.com) and Jane Martin (janemartin@pagemartin.com)

Deadline at Oct 19, 2025







Led by the Rev. Dr. Bob Faris, this study tour is a unique opportunity to learn about the life and witness of the church in the current and historical context of South Africa. There will be an intentional focus on the similarities and differences between Canadian colonial history and current realities, particularly in relation to relationships with Indigenous Peoples. The trip is taking place in collaboration with the Volmoed ["Filled with Hope"] Community in South Africa.

DATE:

March 12-27, 2026 (inclusive of travel)

COST:

Apply before October 17 for an early bird cost of \$5,800 After October 17, the cost of the trip is \$6,200.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION:

Extend your stay with a 3-day safari in Kruger National Park, returning home March 30. The cost is \$2,200 for single accommodation and about \$2,000 (per person) for double.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

November 14, 2025



LEARN MORE & REGISTER

bit.ly/2026_PCC_South_ Africa-Study-Tour



- PLEASE NOTE -

Participation will include four online study sessions before departure and two online debriefings after the tour.



The Presbyterian Church in Canada

Calendar of Events

Tues, Oct. 7

7:00 am OOTC Community Breakfast Great Hall
7:00 pm Better English Café Great Hall

Thurs, Oct. 9

12:15 pm Chancel Communion Service Sanctuary
7:00pm SingTO Great Hall

Fri., Oct. 10

Noon Friday Noontime Recital Sanctuary

Sun, Oct. 12

9:00 amLibrary opensLibrary10:00 amNursery opensDay Care Centre, 2nd Fl.10:30 amWorship ServiceSanctuary

Assistance during worship service is needed and appreciated. If you would like to be a Greeter or an Usher please contact Reece Hodgson at: : rhodgson@standrewstoronto.org if you would like to be a Lay Reader during the service, please contact Selena Eng at: selenate@gmail.com

To list a meeting or event in this calendar, or to include an announcement in the bulletin, please send details to maggiem@standrewstoronto.org
by 9:00 am on Thursday 10 days before the Sunday to which it pertains.

More information about many of the activities listed above, may be found on the Church website at www.standrewstoronto.org



ORIENTATION SESSION FOR

NEW MEMBERS

THURSDAY OCTOBER 9 BOARD ROOM 7:00 PM

