



ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH
KING & SIMCOE | TORONTO
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

Sunday, November 23, 2025
Reign of Christ 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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Please note that our extensions have now changed

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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.

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 *Organ motet on King's Weston
Variations on Diademata*

Schaffner (1945 – 1995)

Callahan (1951 – 2023)

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

Call to Worship ‡

Hymn #267 ‡ *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

DARWALL'S 148TH

Opening Responses ‡

One: Arise, shine; for your light has come,
 and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you,

**All: Nations shall come to your light,
 and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: and let us exalt God's name together.

Introit

Psalm 145

Enns (1972)

I will extol you my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Amen

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Adoration

Confession

A time for the silent confession of sin will be observed

Assurance of Pardon

Supplication and 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. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn #377 ‡

Come, children, join to sing

MADRID

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: Pamela Richardson

Jeremiah 23:1-6 (806, OT)



Psalm 46 ‡

God is our / refuge - and / strength,
 a / very - present / help in / trouble.
Therefore will not we fear, though the / earth - be re/moved,
 and though the mountains be / carried - into the / midst - of the / sea;

Though the waters thereof / roar - and be / troubled,
 though the mountains / shake - with the / swelling - there/of.
There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the / city - of / God,
 the holy place of the / taber-nacles / of the - most / High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall / not be / moved:
 God shall / help her - and / that right / early.
The heathen raged, the / kingdoms - were / moved:
 he uttered his / voice, the / earth / melted.

2nd Half

The Lord of / Hosts is / with us;
 the / God of / Jacob - is our / refuge.

Come, behold the / works - of the / Lord,
 what desol/ations - he hath / made - in the / earth.
He maketh wars to cease unto the / end - of the / earth;
 he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder; *
 he / burneth - the / chariot - in the / fire.

Continued/...

Be still and know that / I am / God:

I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be ex/alted / in the / earth.

The Lord of / Hosts is / with us;

the / God of / Jacob - is our / refuge.

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 / with - out / end. A/men.

Colossians 1:11-20 (213, NT)

Luke 23:33-43 (91, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

King of glory, King of peace

Daley (1552 –)

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst not note my working breast, thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing thee; and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst not clear me; and alone when they replied, thou didst not hear me. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heav'n, I can raise thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

Sermon

“A Question of Leadership”

Rev. Dr. William G. Ingram

Our Response

Affirmation of Faith ☩

From the Iona Abbey Worship Book

***With the whole church, we affirm that we are made in God's image,
Befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.***

***With people everywhere, we affirm God's goodness at the heart of
humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong.***

***With all creation, we celebrate the miracle and the wonder of life;
the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.***

The Offering

Offertory Anthem

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

arr. Cleobury (1948 - 2019)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand, Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand. King of Kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture in the body and the blood He will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Presentation of the Offering ‡

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.***

OLD 100TH - THE DOXOLOGY

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Choral Amen

Hymn #275 ‡

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

WARRINGTON

The Sending

Dismissal ‡

Bodle (1923 - 2022)



The Lord be with you. And with thy spir - it. Let us de-part in peace. Thanks be to God.

Benediction ‡

The congregation is invited to remain standing until the Ministers recess

Organ Postlude

Tuba tune in D

C. S. Lang (1891 -1971)

*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.



The St. Andrew's Choristers will not hold a rehearsal today.

SAGA

SAGA will have their annual Christmas party on Friday, November 28 at 6pm in the Great Hall. It will be our usual potluck so plan to join us and celebrate. Please note, there will not be a meeting in December but we will return in January.

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 available 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.



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MIDWEEK ADVENT SERIES AT ST. ANDREW'S

O Come, All Ye Faithful



The Rev. Dr.
Kristen Deede
Johnson

DEC 3



The Rev. Dr.
Sarah Travis

DEC 10



The Very Rev. Dr.
Carmen
Lansdowne

DEC 17

This Advent, join us for a special three-part series exploring the enduring power of faith through the lens of the Nicene Creed — marking its 1700th anniversary. Drawing inspiration from the carol “O Come, All Ye Faithful”, our guests will help us reflect on what it means to be a creedal community today: how ancient words of belief continue to shape our hope, deepen our understanding of Christmas, and guide our life of faith, love, and unity in the world.

SERVICES START AT 12 NOON, LIGHT LUNCH TO FOLLOW

The Church Library is Open!

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>



Sunday Forum – November 30, 2025

Please plan to join us after worship on Sunday, November 30, when Ainsley Chapman will speak about her work at the Evangel Hall Mission, and the relationship with the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Ainsley is the Executive Director of Evangel Hall Mission (EHM), which provides safe homes and compassionate services to those in need in downtown Toronto. She brings over 20 years of experience leading projects and programs in health, community

development, and housing.

She assists the Presbyterian Church in Canada and local congregations in transforming underutilized land and buildings into social housing, focusing on congregational readiness, integrating affordable housing into redevelopment projects, and connecting churches with resources and opportunities to include housing in their plans.

Grab a coffee and then meet up in the Boardroom at noon for a timely talk on an issue that affects so many in the downtown core. There will be time for questions after Ainsley's presentation.

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AN EVENING OF HOLIDAY MUSIC WITH
SINGTO COMMUNITY CHOIR

SING PEACE

THURS DEC 4 7:30 PM

TICKETS: \$15 AT THE DOOR

CONDUCTOR: **DAN BICKLE** COLLABORATIVE PIANIST: **CAROL ROSS-KING**



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You may purchase tickets ahead of time on our Eventbrite page at the following link:
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/sing-peace-an-evening-of-holiday-music-with-singto-community-choir-tickets-1965667910635?aff=oddtcreator>



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 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/>



Music at St. Andrew's

The Friday Noon Recitals of November 28 will feature Tristan Savella, piano, playing Haydn's Sonata in G Major and Schumann's Papillons Op.

Admission is free with opportunity for voluntary donation.

Please note that this is the final recital of the Fall season. Recitals will return in February.



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**FELLOWSHIP &
PASTORAL CARE
MINISTRY**

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.

Out of the Cold

While our Out of the Cold Community Breakfast continues on Tuesday mornings at 7:30am, the Out of the Cold Monday dinner program has now resumed and will run through to April 13, 2026. Doors will open at 4:00pm and dinner will be served from 5:00 to 7:00pm.

Volunteers are always needed so if you would like to join our team, please begin by completing the online registration form: <https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/30/web-terminal/login/standrewstoronto>

Please note that the boutique will only be available on Monday evenings during dinner.



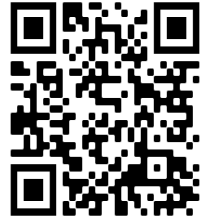
In order to help the boutique to restock for the upcoming Winter's needs, we have decided to designate November as our "Givings" month with an emphasis on these needs. Whether it is items such as socks, gloves, toiletries or Winter clothing – it is all needed and your donations will be greatly appreciated by our guests. Bins will be available each Sunday in November to receive contributions.

A detailed list of current needs is available on the website at:

<https://standrewstoronto.org/volunteer/out-of-the-cold/>

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: 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: jmatheson@rogers.com

PLEASE NOTE: 2026 - Giving Envelopes will only be issued to those who specifically request them. Please email the Church Manager, Diana Veenstra at: dveenstra@standrewstoronto.org with your 2026 request. Thank you.

Calendar of Events

Mon. Nov. 24

5:00 pm	OOTC Dinner	Sanctuary
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Tues, Nov. 25

7:30 am	OOTC Community Breakfast	Great Hall
7:00 pm	Better English Café	Great Hall

Thurs, Nov. 27

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

Fri., Nov. 28

Noon	Friday Noontime Recital	Sanctuary
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Sun, Nov. 30

9:00 am	Bible Study	Boardroom
9:00 am	Library opens	Library
10:00 am	Nursery opens	Day Care Centre, 2 nd Fl.
10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	OOTC Prep	Kitchen/Great Hall

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: selenatke@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



An Evening of Music for the Soul

ON THIS SHINING NIGHT

FRIDAY DECEMBER 12 | 7:30 PM

ST. ANDREW'S GALLERY CHOIR	DAN BICKLE PIANO/ORGAN	JORDAN KLAPMAN PIANO	TICKETS: \$25 EVENTBRITE AT THE DOOR
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