



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

Sunday, August 16, 2026
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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.

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

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

Call to Worship ‡

Hymn #327 ‡ *Sing praise to God who reigns above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Opening Responses ‡

One: Sing praises to the Lord

**All: for God has done gloriously;
let this be known in all the earth.**

One: Shout aloud and sing for joy

All: for great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Introit

Great is thy faithfulness

Runyan (1879 – 1957)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not; thy compassions, they fail not; as thou has been, thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness; great is thy faithfulness; morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

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.

Words of Welcome

The Word Proclaimed

The Holy Scriptures

Reader: Leslyn Henry

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 (761, OT)



Psalm 67 ‡

May God be gracious to/ us and / bless us

And make his / face to / shine up/on us,

That your way may be / known up-on / earth,

Your saving / power a/mong all / nations.

Let the peoples / praise you, - O / God;

Let / all the / peoples / praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the / peoples - with / equity

And / guide the / nations up-on / earth.

Let the peoples / praise you, - O / God;

Let / all the / peoples / praise you.

The earth has / yielded - its / increase

...../ God, our / God, has / blessed us.

2nd half

May God con/tinue - to / bless us;

Let all the / ends - of the / earth re/vere him.

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.

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 (167, NT)

Matthew 15:21-28 (17, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Remorse, confusion, horror, fear

From the oratorio, Joseph and his Brethren

Handel (1685 – 1759)

"Remorse, confusion, horror, fear, Ye vultures of the guilty breast! Now furies, now she feels you here, Who gnaw her most, when most distress."

Sermon

"Encountering the Other"

Rev. Dr. William G. Ingram

Hymn #331 ‡

The God of Abraham praise

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Our Response

Affirmation of Faith ‡

"A New Creed," UCC 1968, alt 1998.

We are not alone. We live in God's world. We believe in God, who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

The Offering

Offertory Anthem **Antiphon**

Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. The heavens are not too high, His praise my thither fly: the earth is not too low, His praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out: But above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner, sing, my God and King.

Presentation of the Offering ‡

661 Franconia

***We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.***

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

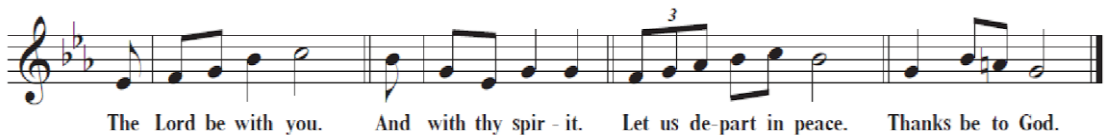
Hymn #461 ‡ **Be thou my vision**

SLANE

The Sending

Dismissal ‡

Bodle (1923 - 2022)



Benediction ‡

The congregation is invited to remain standing until the Minister recesses.

Organ Postlude

Thank you to today's soloist Ryan Downey and to our guest organist, Carol Ross-King

*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

The St. Andrew's Choristers are now on break for the Summer. Rehearsals will resume in September. If you are interested in singing in this group, please speak with Dan Bickle or contact him at: dbickle@standrewstoronto.org

New Coordinator for Faith and Formation Children and Youth

We are pleased to announce that Ashley Singh will be serving St. Andrew's Church as our new Coordinator for Children and Youth. Ashley has already been a part of our congregation for some time now, and has been involved in our children's ministry over this past year, assisting Cindy Chang. We are so excited for you to meet her. Ashley will be formally introduced to the congregation on Sunday, September 6th, with Children's Church resuming on Sunday, September 13th.

Thursday Noon-time Communion Service

Join us Thursdays for our Noon-time Communion Service. Doors will open at noon and the service will begin at 12:15 PM. All are welcome.

Bible Study

Bible Study is now on Summer break during July and August, returning September 13th.

Church School & Nursery

Church School is on Summer break during July and August but will return on September 13th. Activity bags will be available in the Narthex for children attending service during the Summer. The Nursery will be available throughout the Summer for those children up to 2 years of age and may be found on the second floor.

Better English Café

The Better English Café is now on Summer break but will return on Tuesday, September 15th at 7pm in the Great Hall. For all Updates please checkout our Meetup Page at: <https://www.meetup.com/Better-English-Cafe/>

Music at St. Andrew's

The Friday Noontime Recitals are now concluded until October 2nd. We look forward to welcoming you back at that time.

SingTO

SingTo meets Thursday evenings at 7pm in the Great Hall, however this group is now on Summer break. If you are interested in joining this group in the Fall, please contact Dan Bickle at: singto@standrewstoronto.org

Out of the Cold

The OOTC dinner is now on break until November; however, our Tuesday morning breakfast continues all year round beginning at 7:30 am. Thank you to all those volunteers who continue to assist with the breakfast program.

The Boutique

At the moment, the most urgent needs of the boutique are as follows:

- men's running/casual shoes size 10-13
- women's shoes size 7-9
- men and women's spring and summer coats
- soap and toothpaste.

If you are able to donate any of the above, it would be greatly appreciated.

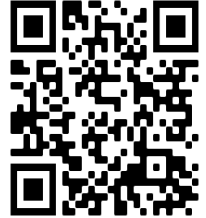
Volunteers are always needed so if you would like to join our team, please begin by completing the online registration form: <https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/30/web-terminal/login/standrewstoronto>

Stewardship and Giving

As a congregation, we are blessed in so many ways. Congregation givings are one of the key pillars that 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 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

Calendar of Events

Tues, Aug. 18

7:30 am	OOTC Community Breakfast	Great Hall
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Thurs., Aug. 20

Noon	Service of Holy Communion	Sanctuary
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Sun, Aug. 23

9:00 am	Library opens	Library
9:30 am	Nursery opens	Day Care Centre, 2 nd Fl.
10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary

Assistance during worship service is needed and appreciated. If you would like to be a Greeter or an Usher please contact Leslyn Henry at: : leslynloh@gmail.com

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



As a heads up – we will be holding our September book sale during the opening days of TIFF, beginning Thursday 10th, Friday 11th and Saturday 12th. Please keep us in mind for donations if you are doing any book decluttering this Summer. We also accept CD's and DVD's. More information will be available shortly.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the book sale, please email Rev. Byassee at:
jbyassee@standrewstoronto.org

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ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY SERVICES.

SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY WITH OUR TEAM!

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Walk SAT. OCT. 17 with us!

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ONLINE AND
JOIN US
OCT 15!



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<https://raceroster.com/111134?aff=D2FWW>