

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Baptism of the Lord

January 8, 2017

Welcome to St. Andrew's Church! We are glad you are here with us. May God bless you in his grace and mercy as we take time to give our love and attention to the One who has embraced us in Jesus Christ. If you are visiting with us, please take time to sign our guest book and to let us know how we can become better acquainted.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP, 11:00 A.M.

APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude: A medley of Epiphany hymns from the Book Of Praise

Entry of the Bible (*Congregation Standing*)

Introit: Beautiful Star Of Bethlehem A.M. Pace/R.F. Boyce

Greeting

Responsive Call to Worship

L: God said, "This is my Son, with whom I am pleased."

A: But this one has no splendour, no beauty we would fancy.

L: "This is my child, in whom I take delight."

**A: But this one carries the load of a servant,
not the sceptre of a king.**

L: "This is my child, whom I have called."

**A: But this one demands justice;
his words judge our own.**

L: "This is my child, whom I uphold."

**A: But this one would release the dungeon's prisoners;
he would set the captives free, even the ones we want held.**

L: "This is my child, whose hand I hold."

A: But this one is a man of sorrows; he is no stranger to grief.

L: "This is my child; I give him to you."

**A: Surely this child will bear our suffering on his shoulders
and carry our rejection in his heart.**

L: Wounded for our transgressions,

he will be cut off from the land of the living.

**A: Like sheep we have gone astray;
like a lamb he shall be led to the slaughter.**

L: And still our God declares it:

**A: "This is my beloved child,
with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him."**

Hymn of Approach: What was your vow and vision
Prayers of Adoration & Confession

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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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, and the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

Children's Hymn: Praise him, praise him
Children's Story and Prayer

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THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem: In The Dark Of The Night

S.B. Cormier

Old Testament: Isaiah 42:1-9 J.C. Jacob

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Responsive Psalm: 29

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New Testament: Matthew 3:1-17 Ruth Wakeham

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Anthem: This Is My Son, The Beloved

G. Chafe

Sermon: "**Only fools go swimming in January**"

Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Announcements

Offering and Offertory: Priest's March from "Magic Flute"

W. A. Mozart

Doxology (822, vs. 4) and Offertory Prayer

Confession of Faith: Living Faith 3.3-3.3.1

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"Jesus Christ: Truly Human"

Commissioning Hymn: Precious Lord take my hand

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Benediction

Choral Amen:

O. Gibbons

Postlude: Trumpet Tune (Martial Air)

H. Purcell

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Agathe Ratsimandresy *For those who wish, a nursery is available in the church hall next door.*

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2017: Offering Envelopes for the coming year are now available in the entranceway of the Kirk.

If Pastoral Care is required please contact Rev. Derek Krunys on his cell phone (687-7742) or at the office (726-5385).

BENEVOLENT FUND: Your contributions to the St. Andrew's Benevolent Fund help support special need situations. Contributions can be made individually or through your regular offering envelope by marking "Benevolent" in "Other".

BRIDGES TO HOPE..... Thanks you for your generous donations through the Christmas Season, which have resulted in the wonderful change of stocked shelves. That said, the need continues, and stocked shelves become barren quickly in the face of real need. Your donations of our most sought after items help keep those shelves from reaching empty. Essential foods always in need include: Baked Beans (in tomato sauce, pork, etc.); Dry Pasta and Pasta in sauce; Canned meat and fish; Hearty soup and/or stew; Canned milk; Cereal (basic, not sugary); Margarine. Any assistance you could provide in helping acquire these items would be much appreciated.

Heather Elliott, Program Director

Anyone interested in joining the choir or participating musically in any way in the service, feel free to email me at gchafe@hotmail.com or call 368-3463. I look forward to discovering people with hidden talents so that they may be brought out into the light to glorify God!

Sharing God's love

Antioch Community Church is a new congregation in Oakville, Ontario. Striving to build a strong foundation in the community, they participate in many programs that reach out to people in need— families who fall below the poverty line, stressed single parents and retirees that struggle to make ends meet. Members go door to door to collect food for a local food bank and work with Kerr Street Ministries to provide hope to people living in need. A community breakfast for ninety people helped Antioch build relationships while sharing a home-cooked meal. One member was inspired to collect donations for a second community breakfast. Antioch is a church where people can come together to serve and show God's compassion, while reaching out in love to the community.

Preauthorized Remittances - PAR

Many of us have automatic debits from our bank accounts to pay for mortgages, cable, electricity, etc. If you do then you understand PAR. It means regular donations throughout the year to St. Andrew's through direct debit from your account. For those who cannot make it to church on a regular basis, due to travel, illness or for some other reason, this is a way to help meet your financial commitment. If you wish to avail of this option, then you can contact the church office for an enrollment form at 709-726-5385.

THE KIRK ASSOCIATION will be holding their Annual Meeting Sunday, **January 22nd** at 12:30pm. Lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome so please come and join us!

The regular monthly meeting of the **AMS** will be held in the Hall following services on **January 15th**. All are welcome to attend. A light lunch will be served.

BOARD OF MANAGERS will hold their next meeting Tuesday, January 10th at 7:30pm.

The next meeting of St. Andrew's Session will be held January 19th at 7:30pm.

Confirmation / Membership Classes..... The minister will be hosting confirmation classes for young people interested in joining the church. The classes will run through Lent (March until Easter - likely on Sundays after church, but will depend on participant availability), with our new members welcomed Easter Sunday. Or maybe you are not so young in years, but still interested in becoming a member, either as somebody new to us or never got around to making that connection, we'd be glad to talk to you about what membership involves. Enquiries about the classes and membership should be directed to the minister, dkrunys@hotmail.com or 687-7742.

Bible Study.....A New Year has begun, and it is time to get back to learning about our faith and life, and simply reconnect with each other in prayer and support. Feel free to join us in the church hall 10:30am Friday, Jan 13th as we come together as a community.

***** Jan 08 - Jan 14/17*****

Sun	11:00am	Worship
Tues	7:30pm	Board of Managers Meeting

*****Upcoming*****

Jan 15	AMS Meeting
Jan 19	Session Meeting