

## St. Luke 24:44-53

## The Ascension of Jesus

<sup>44</sup> Then he said, “When I was with you before, I told you that everything written about me in the law of Moses and the prophets and in the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. <sup>46</sup> And he said, “Yes, it was written long ago that the Messiah would suffer and die and rise from the dead on the third day. <sup>47</sup> It was also written that this message would be proclaimed in the authority of his name to all the nations, beginning in Jerusalem: ‘There is forgiveness of sins for all who repent.’ <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of all these things.

<sup>49</sup> “And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.”

<sup>50</sup> Then Jesus led them to Bethany, and lifting his hands to heaven, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. <sup>52</sup> So they worshiped him and then returned to Jerusalem filled with great joy. <sup>53</sup> And they spent all of their time in the Temple, praising God.

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**Sunday 01<sup>st</sup> June 2025 10:30 am**  
**The Church of Jesus the Saviour**  
**Celebrates the Good News**  
**of God's Love for the World**  
**Made Manifest in Jesus His Son**  
**as we learn to share Christ's Love with everyone!!!**

***Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!***

Call to Worship:

**Praise: “Come now is the time to worship”** **SB #81**

Welcome, and announcements:

***Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!***

**Praise: “Hail the day that sees Him rise”** **BP #207**

Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer:

***Celebrating the Truth of God's Word! - We are Listening!***

Scripture: St. Luke 24:44-53      Acts 1:6-11      NLT

Message: “Don't get into anything until”

***Celebrating the Truth of God's gifts to us – We Are Accountable***

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “We give Thee” vs. 1, 2 **BP #364**

Prayer of Dedication

**Praise: “They'll know we are Christians”** **SB #36**

***Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry***

Benediction:

**Interpersonal Benediction: “May the Lord”** **SB #80**

### **Mission & Outreach Team:**

Anselma House operates two emergency shelters in Kitchener and Cambridge for women and children experiencing domestic violence. Between Mother's Day and Father's Day, Mission & Outreach would like your support for this local Mission through monetary or gift card donations. A jar will be placed in the narthex each Sunday for donations. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests**

Bernice Baum – Grand River Hospital

Gladys Brown – at home

Frank De Vries – at home

Ann Gray – Trinity Village

Doug Greenwood – at home

Frank Ingold – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Mary Master – Conestoga Lodge

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg & Terry McCorriston – at home

Julie Phoenix – Southbridge London Long Term Care Home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Winston Park LTC

Dirk Vanderheide – at home



... a future and a hope  
( Jeremiah 29:11 )

Members and friends of the PCC are invited to attend the opening worship of the 150<sup>th</sup> General Assembly on Sunday, June 1 at 7:30 p.m. The service will take place at Central Presbyterian Church, located at 165 Charlton Avenue West in Hamilton, Ontario. The first sederunt of General Assembly will follow immediately after worship, and all are welcome to attend that as well.

### **Sunday School:**

The dates left this term for our regular bi-weekly Sunday School are: **June 01, & 15.**

We are looking for more Sunday School teachers, helpers, or back-ups to join the team for the fall. If interested, please contact Cathrine (gcejtaylor@gmail.com), Nicolene (nclemens7@yahoo.ca).

We are thrilled to share and grow with the children this year.  
Peace and Joy, Cathrine and Nicolene

### **Events This Week: 01<sup>st</sup> – 08<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Sunday:** 10:30 am – Worship Service; Sunday School;  
Coffee, Cake, & Conversation in the Gray Hall  
**Tuesday:** 12 – 1:30 pm – Music Therapy  
6:30 – 8 pm – Sparks in the Gray Hall  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 – 9 pm – Scouts in the Gray Hall  
**Thursday:** 9 – 11 am – Sonshine Corner this week  
**Friday:** 12 – 3:30 pm – Music Therapy  
**Sunday:** 10:30 am – Worship Service

### **Here are the April financial statements**

There was a shortfall of about \$3300 for the month, so the year-to-date shortfall is now about \$6300. We'll continue to monitor and provide updates and appreciate everyone's financial support. Finance & Stewardship Team

**Offering Envelopes:** If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2025 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris. For anyone that has changed addresses, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

### **From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:**

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E – transfer:** This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance.** This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu “Donate Now”) and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

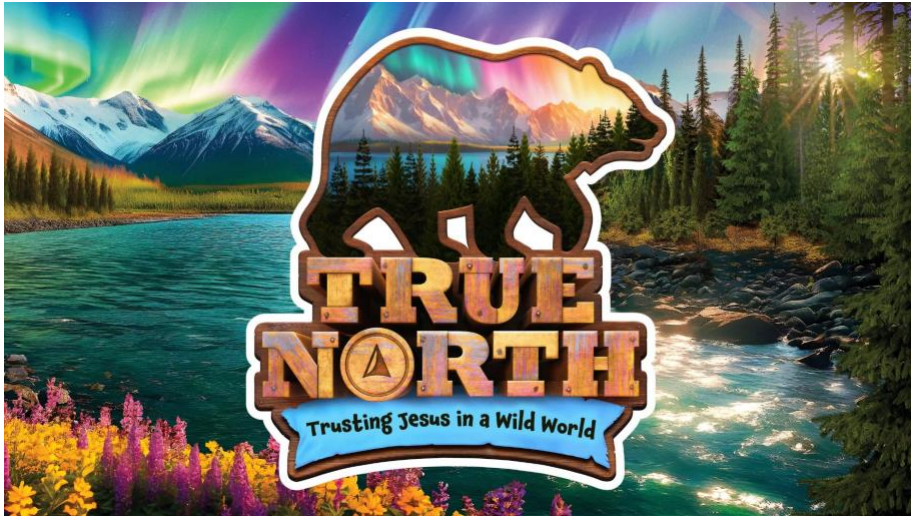
**Thank-you for your ongoing and prayerful support of the mission and ministry of KEPC.**

### **Grocery Cards:**

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every week. For each card we sell we receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services.

### **Women of Worship:**

The next meeting of WOW will be tomorrow, Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 until noon. It will be held in the Grey Hall. We will be having a guest coming in to instruct us in a class of Chair Yoga for Beginners and Seniors. Please wear comfortable clothing and running shoes/comfortable footwear. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Anne at aitkenj09@gmail.com or 519-886-6559. Hope to see lots of you there. Coffee, tea and treats will be provided.



**Vacation Bible School Camp: 14 – 18 July 2025**

**9am-noon. The theme is True North.**

We are planning our VBS at KEPC this summer and we want to check to see who would be interested and available in volunteering again this year.

We need both group leaders and station leaders. Let me know if you have an interest in a particular area.

Please let me know so I can get an idea of interest/availability of volunteers and we will start getting the plans together.

Kindly,

Sarah, VBS Co-ordinator, [bowmasarah@hotmail.com](mailto:bowmasarah@hotmail.com)