

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Fourth Sunday after Epiphany February 2, 2025

Presbyterian World Service & Development Sunday Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m. (also on YouTube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (*stand if able*)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (Book of Praise 830)

Call to Worship: (*standing if able*) O Lord, in you we find refuge;

Let us never be put to shame.

Turn your ear to us, O God, and save us.

For you are our rock and our fortress.

God has been our hope and our trust from our earliest days.

God has been with us since we were born from our mother's womb.

Let us sing out our praise of God's steadfast love.

We will offer God all glory and honour this day and always!

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 706 "Come, let us sing"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God, whose name is love, we confess our faults and failings, knowing you know us through and through. You tell us that love is patient and kind, and you know when our patience and kindness fall short. You tell us love is never rude or selfish, and you see the times we insist on our own way. Forgive us the excuses we make to ourselves when our love falters. Strengthen us by your Spirit so that our love is genuine and reliable as we follow the path of Jesus. Amen.

Song: 561 "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us."

Declaration of forgiveness

A sharing of the Peace of Christ followed by *Hallelujah* (Hymn 294)

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn: 695" (tune 600) "Although I speak" (all seated)

Learning for all ages: {children gather at Chancel stairs}

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: Jeremiah 1:4–10 (p. 657); Responsive Psalm 71:1–6;

1 Corinthians 13:1–13(p.153) Luke 4:21–30 (p.53)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

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. Amen.

Sermon: based on Jeremiah 1: 4–10 Hymn: 767 "Lord, speak to me"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

Announcing The Offering of our gifts; gifts will be brought forward following The Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (stand if able)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and for others; response: God of love, hear our

prayer; The Lord's Prayer Hymn: 699 "All the way" Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go now in peace" (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover) ©1988 Harold Flammer Music (Admin. by Hal Leonard LLC) (Admin. by Tom Cat Music)Used by permission CCLI 11120907

Postlude

Conducting the Service: Rev. Bert Vanderbeek;

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron Reader: Jocelyn Ryan-Wiggin

Placing the Bible: Megan Douglas

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

Today is Presbyterian World Service & Development Sunday. We celebrate the work our church is doing to serve marginalized communities around the world. Inspired by God's promise of abundant life, Presbyterians across Canada work together to build a more sustainable, compassionate and just world!

This week at St. Andrew's

Tues: 3:00 p.m. Property Committee

Sun: Feb. 9, 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School and Nursery

Tuesday, February 11, 10–11:30 a.m. Valentine Coffee & Muffin Party sponsored by The Ladies' Guild. Consider bringing a friend.

A Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are in the Mik'kma'ki-the unceded territory and the ancestral homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation.

Hymn 706

- I. Come, let us sing of a wonderful love, tender and true, tender and true; out of the heart of the Father above, streaming to me and to you: wonderful love, wonderful love dwells in the heart of the Father above.
- 2. Jesus the Saviour this gospel to tell joyfully came, joyfully came, came with the helpless and hopeless to dwell, sharing their sorrow and shame: seeking the lost, seeking the lost, saving, redeeming at measureless cost.
- 3. Jesus is seeking the wanderers yet; why do they roam? why do they roam? Love only waits to forgive and forget; home, weary wanderers, home: wonderful love, wonderful love dwells in the heart of the Father above.
- 4. Come to my heart, O thou wonderful love; come and abide, come and abide, lifting my life till it rises above envy and falsehood and pride: seeking to be, seeking to be lowly and humble, a learner of thee.

Hymn 695

- 1. Although I speak with angel's tongue, my faith, my knowledge all surpass, but have no love, my gifts are vain as clanging gong or blaring brass.
- 2. For love is patient, love is kind and never vain with boasting pride; love bears all things, all things endures. All things must end; love with abide.
- 3. For now we peer at darkened glass; our visions end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now see; then we will see Love face to face.
- 4. The gifts are many; the body one, and into one are all baptized. Beloved, share one heart, one mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ

Hymn 767

- 1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let me seek your erring children lost and lone.
- 2. Oh lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet; oh feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.
- 3. Oh teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious truths that you impart, and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.
- 4. Oh fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my heart shall overflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
- 5. Oh use me, Lord, use even me just as you will, and when, and where, until at last your face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share

Hymn 699

- 1. All the way my Saviour leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell; for I know, whate'er befall me Jesus doeth all things well.
- 2. All the way my Saviour leads me, cheers each winding path I tread, gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread. Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be, gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see.
- 3. All the way my Saviour leads me, oh the fullness of his love! Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day, this my song through endless ages, 'Jesus led me all the way!'