



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Date: August 10, 2025

Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

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*)

The sacrifice that honours God is a thankful heart.

We lift up our hearts with gratitude, and our voices with praise for all that God has done.

Wait upon the Lord who is our help and shield.

We trust in God's holy name and so we come to worship.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: 435 "All things bright and beautiful"

Call to confession

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Faithful God, we confess that our choices do not always reflect your purposes for our lives. Being faithful to you is sometimes the last thing on our minds. We often choose the easiest way or what suits our interests, not yours. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with you, and with others. Renew a right spirit within us by your grace. 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: 498 "Sing them over again" (all seated)

Prayer for Illumination

Lessons: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 (p.590), Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23,

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (p. 198), Luke 12:32-40 (p. 65)

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

Sung response: 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 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Hymn: 440 (tune 611 section 2) "For all the love"

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; The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 457 "Now thank we all our God"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go now in peace" (*all seated*) (hymn book – inside back cover)

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Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Mary Pyche **Elevator:** Heather Barkhouse

Conducting the Service: Rev. Bert Vanderbeek

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Cheryl Weeks **Reader:** Mary Pyche

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell, Erin Sloan

This week at St. Andrew's

Wed: Aug 13th: Hope Cottage (side door open at 7 am)

MISSION MOMENT

After participating in the New Beginnings Program, which guides congregations through a renewal process to discern God's call for their future, Tweedsmuir Memorial Presbyterian Church in Orangeville, ON shifted from being a "membership-focused" congregation to a "discipleship-focused" one, reigniting their sense of purpose. As a result, the church is putting its faith into action by exploring new and innovative ways to serve and engage with the community. In addition to organizing food drives, they have launched a laundry supply drive for local shelters. They are also experimenting with street and neighbourhood ministries, including a community meal program and a "Coffee on the Street" initiative, where volunteers set up a coffee bar outside the church and offer coffee and conversation to people passing by.

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