We are grateful to those who were involved in worship this morning:

Organist: Martin Bohl Greeters: Bill & Marg Hunter
Beadle: Sylvia Brooks Worship Assistant: Joni Smith

Tech Team: Laura Einwechter

This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday: Hope Clothing 9:00—11:30 am
Thursday: Hope Clothing Noon—2:00 pm
Thursday: St. Andrew's Pantry Noon—2:00 pm
Saturday: Hope Clothing 10:00 am—noon

Fall Fun Workshops: Saturday, September 28th **Christmas in October Workshops:** Saturday, October 26th

How to register:

My Sister's Idea: https://www.facebook.com/Mysistersidea

Debbie Ellis Watercolour: https://www.debbieelliswatercolours.ca/

workshops.html

The Craft Shoppe Canada: https://thecraftshoppecanada.com/collections/workshops-events?variant=50550482141344

Journey with Jane: https://www.facebook.com/yourjourneywithjane





Sat Sep 28 Dancing Northern Lights Sat Oct 26 Save the Date!



Save the Bate foil another watercolour workshop!

Betails later this summer!

Registrations will open mid August





DAILY PRAYERS

Sunday, July 28 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces.

Monday, July 29 We pray for those who are lonely and lack satisfying fellowship in their lives and that God will open our hearts and eyes to the needs of those around us.

Tuesday, July 30 (World Day Against Trafficking in People) We give thanks for ARISE Ministry and the

work they are doing to raise awareness of human trafficking in Canada, while offering care and support to survivors.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada

Prayer

Partnership

Engaging in God's Mission Through Word and Action

Wednesday, July 31 We pray for congregations that do not have the resources to call a minister. May they find new and joyful ways to worship and serve Christ.

Thursday, August 1 (Emancipation Day) On Emancipation Day, we pray for those that fight systemic racism and for an end to all forms of slavery.

Friday, August 2 We pray for the World Communion of Reformed Churches, for our current representatives and for those being nominated as delegates for the 2025 General Council that will be held in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Saturday, August 3 We pray for Kate Davis, who teaches at VST this month. May God bless those who attend classes with resilience and the resulting grace of joyful endurance in the work of ministry.

Mission Moment: July 28

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, ARISE Ministry provides compassionate outreach and spiritual care to survivors of sexual exploitation, trauma, and abuse in the Greater Toronto Area. This past spring, ARISE partnered with the production company of "Angel's Bone," the Pulitzer Prize-winning opera that follows two vulnerable youths who are lured into exploitative relationships by their traffickers. Along with members of the production team, ARISE engaged in an awareness and education campaign about human trafficking in Canada leading up to the performances. ARISE was also present for Q&A sessions after each performance to provide context for the show and to highlight ongoing efforts in Toronto and Canada to combat trafficking.



St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church July 28, 2024



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Order of Worship. We will meet in person at 10 am. Or join us on Zoom or Facebook Live. The Zoom link will be posted on the website.

Prelude:

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Leader: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

People: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

Leader: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

People: love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, and gentleness.

Leader: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for God.

People: We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

Hymn #304 We praise you, Creator

1. We praise you, Creator, in earth, sea and sky, our Ruler, our Maker, our Sovereign most high. Each new generation lifts voices in praise: how good your creation, how gracious your ways!

2. Each springtime, the blossoms bloom fragrant once more; each summer, each autumn brings forth its rich store.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the Laur and Goldrick families on the death of Marsha Laur this week. Please keep Marsha's family in your prayers.

With witness compelling our praise and our prayer, creation is telling of your faithful care.

3. Your wondrous works teach us, Creator, to trace the limitless reaches of your love and grace. Your grace dwells among us, your love goes before; from eldest to youngest, we praise and adore.

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Prayer of Approach

L: Gracious and generous God, We gather with grateful hearts, amazed by the abundance in your creation, abundance to share in food, in friendship and in faithfulness. We gather with hopeful hearts, seeking another taste of your love for us. Your love is both mysterious and miraculous, O God, with the power to transform times that overwhelm us and lives that hunger for hope. By the power of your Spirit, move among us in our worship. Open before us the new possibilities you create for us in Christ, the Bread of life, bread for our journeys. Amen.

Laying Down our Burdens

Responsive Psalm 65

- L: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer!
- P: To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.
- L: Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.
- P: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.
- L: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;
- P: you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
- L: By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.
- P: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.
- L: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;
- P: you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.
- L: You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it;
- P: the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.
- L: You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.
- P: The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy; the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain; they shout and sing together for joy.

2 Timothy 3:14-17

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

Luke 8:22-25

²² One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they put out, ²³ and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴ They went to him and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And waking up, he rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Where is your faith?" They were terrified and amazed and said to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water and they obey him?"

Hymn #461 Be thou my vision

- 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art, thou my best thought in the day and the night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2. Be thou my wisdom; be thou my true word, I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord, thou my great Father, thine own may I be, thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- 3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; be thou my armour and be thou my might; thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower, raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
- 4. Riches I heed not, nor vain earthly praise, thou my inheritance, through all my days; thou and thou only, the first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art!
- 5. High King of heaven, when the battle is done, grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's Sun; heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory:

Sermon: The Bible: The Heart of the Tradition

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

(... forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors...)

Hymn: #348 Tell me the stories of Jesus

1. Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear, things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:

scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

- 2. First, let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me:
- words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.
- 3. Tell me about the disciples from far and near, and I will listen among them eager to hear.
- Whose loaves and fishes did Jesus bless, showing the people God's tenderness?
- 4. Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea, tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee,
- and how the Master, ready and kind, chided the billows and hushed the wind.
- 5. Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;

one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas: Jesus is King!

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Benediction

Choral Response

Go now in peace...never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

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Postlude:

Summer Pastoral Care:

If this week you are in need of emergency Pastoral Care beyond what your elder can help with, you may contact

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- Rev. Scott McAndless Starting Wednesday (Cell: 519-277-0564, smcandless@standrewhespeler.ca)