



Please mark your calendars with **Sunday, October 27**. We will be celebrating our **169th Anniversary!** Plan to stay after the service for a time of fun and food. We will be sharing a potluck lunch together, so if you are able please bring

something (finger foods) to share with others. Please remember: no peanuts or shellfish. During our time together we will also participate in a Sharing Circle.

Rev. Scott McAndless will be taking a week of vacation from Sunday, October 20 to Saturday 26. While he is away, you may contact the following clergy should an emergency arise.

- Rev. Aubrey Botha Office (519-623-1080 or cell: 518-241-2413)
- Rev. Dongwon Jung from October 22 to 25 (cell: 647-891-8164 or [revbrianjung@gmail.com](mailto:revbrianjung@gmail.com))

Our very special guest preacher next Sunday will be the Rev. John Zondag who grew up in this congregation.



### Dream Auction

As part of our 169th anniversary celebrations, St. Andrews's Hespeler is hosting a live and silent auction on **Saturday October 19th** beginning at 7:00 p.m. Dessert and refreshments will be provided and, back by popular demand, Gary Stewart has graciously agreed to be our auctioneer again this year!

Please save the date and invite your family and friends! Lastly, please think about a talent or service that could be part of our live auction - the baking of a pie, the knitting of a sweater, a few hours of fall yard cleanup, preserves you've made from this year's harvest. Be creative!! A signup sheet is at the back of the sanctuary for you to donate your talent or service. **Today is your last chance to sign up!**

Thanks everyone for your support! Let's pack St. Andrew's Hall and have a great time again this year!

If you have any questions, please contact Joni Smith or Donald Paddock.



### DAILY PRAYERS

**Sunday, October 13 (Harvest Sunday)** We give thanks to God for the earth and all its beauty and diversity and pray for a more just care of the earth and its resources.

**Monday, October 14 (Thanksgiving Day)** We pray for all the dedicated members of the Women's Missionary Society whose commitment was renewed at the 110th Anniversary celebrations of the Society in May 2024.

**Tuesday, October 15** We give thanks for the ministry of 2SLGBTQIA+ leaders in the church.

**Wednesday, October 16 (World Food Day)** We give thanks for bountiful harvests that nourish and sustain life. We pray for those who lack access to sufficient nutritious food and for PWS&D's partners who strive to end hunger.

**Thursday, October 17 (International Day for the Eradication of Poverty)** We pray for people who do not have enough healthy food, safe, adequate homes, or communities of support. We pray for people who are working toward long-term solutions to end poverty and inequality.

**Friday, October 18** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Eastern Han-Ca.

**Saturday, October 19** We pray for congregations who have made the difficult but courageous decision to close, that along with their grief they may also celebrate their years of faithful witness to Christ and their legacy of lives shaped by the presence of the living God in Jesus Christ.

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### Mission Moment: October 13

November 26, 2023, was a day of great joy and celebration for the Pinuyumayan Church District, one of the Indigenous groups of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. They gave thanks for 65 years of mission history and the publication of their very first New Testament translated into the language of their heart. It was the fruit of labour for the Pinuyumayan Bible translation team and the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean who worked on the project for eight years. Supported by Presbyterians Sharing, Paul works with 12 Bible translation



teams preserving endangered Indigenous languages, promoting literacy, and when the Bible is read, proclaiming the Gospel.



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# St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church October 13, 2024 Harvest Thanksgiving



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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9am-12pm

**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: Prelude by Gottlieb Muffat

Call to Worship

L: God blesses us with gifts of love,

**P: In relationships that bring joy and gratitude.**

L: God blesses us with talents and opportunities to serve,

**P: All we need for faithful living.**

L: God protects us in times of danger,

**P: And guards us from the time of trial.**

L: So we gather to offer thanksgiving to the Lord our God.

**P: Praise be to God for all good things, now and always!**

Hymn #803 Come, ye thankful people, come

1. Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin:

God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.

Come to God's own temple, come: raise the song of harvest home.

2. All the world is God's own field, fruit unto God's praise to yield;  
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear.  
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home;  
from the field shall in that day all offences purge away;  
give the angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
but the fruitful ears to store in God's storehouse evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home:  
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;  
there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide.  
Come, with all thine angels, come: raise the glorious harvest home.

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Prayer of approach:

L: God of all creation, in this season of harvest thanksgiving, we are struck by the beauties of autumn, leaves in bright colours, birds flying south in formation, fields ripe with produce. Such beauty speaks of your goodness that provides what each beloved creature needs. On this Thanksgiving weekend, renew our gratitude for what you give to us in the fruitfulness of creation, and in Christ Jesus who teaches us how to walk wisely on the earth you made. For all your good gifts we honour you with thanks and praise, now and always.  
**Amen.**

Meditations of Thankfulness

Psalm 90:12-17

L: So teach us to count our days

**P: that we may gain a wise heart.**

L: Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

**P: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we have seen evil.**

L: Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children.

**P: Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!**

Mark 10:17-31

Hymn #441 Can a little child like me

I. Can a little child like me thank the Father fittingly?

Yes, oh yes! be good and true, patient, kind in all we do;

love the Lord and do our part; learn to say with all our heart:

*Refrain: Saviour, we thank you, Spirit, we thank you,  
Great God our Maker, we thank you!*

2. For our playing, for our rest, for the earth in beauty dressed,  
for the moon and sun so bright, for the day and for the night,  
for your patient, loving care, for your bounty everywhere: *Refrain*

3. For the laughter, for the tear, for the love that meets us here,  
for the lessons of our youth – honour, gratitude and truth –  
for the great gift of your Son, for your work in us begun: *Refrain*

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: St. Peter by C. S. Lang

Sermon: "Why do you call me good?"

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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

Hymn #802 For the fruits of all creation

1. For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God;  
for the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God;  
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labour, God's will is done  
in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done;  
in our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;  
for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;  
for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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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: Postlude in G Minor by Gertrude H. Richolson

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

Worship Assistant: Joanne Waugh

Organist: Martin Bohl

Tech Team: Laura Einwechter

Sunday School: Dean Davidson

Greeter: Elaine McLean

Beadle: Elaine McLean

New Hope Friends

On Tuesday

Oct 15th we are having our

monthly meeting for the **New Hope Friends** from 7-9pm **New People** are very welcome to join us in the foyer on **October 15 @ 7pm**. If you have any questions please call Sylvia @ 519-260-0834.

A Blessed Thanksgiving to  
you and your

family!

God is

Good!



The **Women in the Bible Study** will continue on this Wednesday at 10 am with a look a several mini-stories that tell us a great deal about women in the Bible



**This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler**

Tuesday:	Hope Clothing	9:30 - 11:00 am
Tuesday:	New Hope Friends	7-9pm
Wednesday	Women in the Bible	10 am
Thursday:	Hope Clothing	noon - 2:00 pm
Saturday:	Dream Auction	7:00 pm