

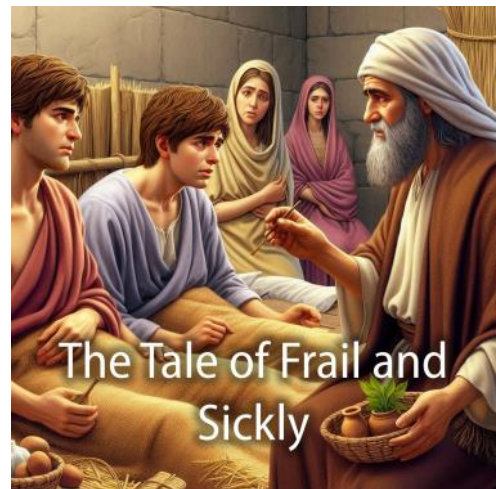


Today we are celebrating our **169th Anniversary!** Plan stay after the service for a time of fun and food. We will be sharing a potluck lunch together. During our time together we will be participating in some guided discussions. Your opinions and thoughts matter, please share them with

Rev. Scott McAndless will be taking a few days of Continuing Education from November 3 (afternoon) to November 6. While he is away, you may contact the following clergy should an emergency arise.

- Rev. Aubrey Botha Office Nov 5-6 (519-623-1080 or cell: 518-241-2413)
- Rev. Dongwon Jung (cell: 647-891-8164 or revbrianjung@gmail.com)

Next Week's Message:



The Tale of Frail and Sickly

**Attention all scripture readers
(for our Sunday morning bible reading video):**

We will meet on Tuesday morning at 10:00 am to record some more bible readings. If you've never done this before, why not come and try a reading. We gather at the back of the sanctuary to do this. While you read the bible verse Joni records you and then she turns your reading into a short video!

Please speak with Joni this morning if you are interested (or send an email). Bible readings are available to take home so that you can be prepared before you record.

We always have a good time doing this and often share some good laughs!

DAILY PRAYERS

The Presbyterian Church in Canada



Prayer Partnership
Engaging in God's Mission
Through Word and Action

Sunday, October 27 (Reformation Sunday)

Strengthen our hearts, O God; make them eager to serve you and your purposes.

Monday, October 28 We pray for Knox College students as they step away from scheduled classes for their Reading Week (Oct 28-Nov 1), for refreshment and renewal as they prepare to return for the final assignments and commitments of the Fall 2024 semester.

Tuesday, October 29 We pray for the Indigenous leaders and ministers of the PCC's Indigenous ministries as they cope with the stress and grief of caring for people affected by poverty, illness and premature death through drug overdose.

Wednesday, October 30 We pray for guests from Taiwan and Japan who participated in the Global Ecumenical Learning Community and uplift 2024: Audacious Hope as they share their experiences with their home churches.

Thursday, October 31 (Reformation Day) We give thanks for God's grace and guidance and pray that we will not become complacent but rather open to the guidance of God's Spirit.

Friday, November 1 (All Saints Day) We thank God for knitting us into one fellowship; for the people who have gone ahead of us in the faith and who loved us, formed our faith and served God with joy and grace.

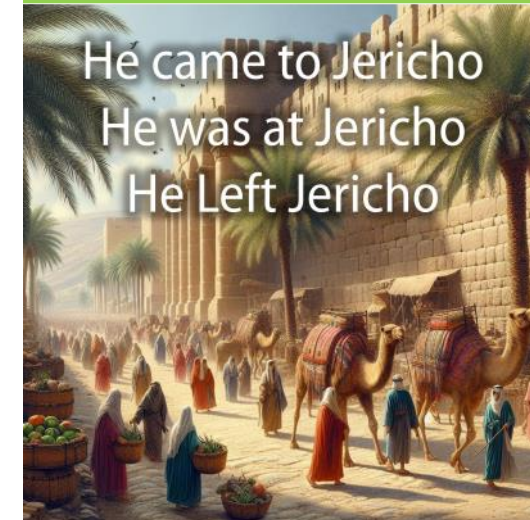
Saturday, November 2 We pray that God will strengthen those displaced by conflict in Gaza as they receive support from PWS&D's partners, including food assistance, health care and psychological support.

Mission Moment: October 27

In Guatemala, gender-based violence has been and continues to be one of the most obvious forms of gender inequality. To address this, PWS&D is supporting a project that speaks to the problem of violence against women. Adolescents and young women participate in workshops where they learn about their rights and build their self-esteem and dignity. In addition, the project raises awareness among young men through workshops where they learn about machismo, identify what violence against women looks like and promote commitments to eliminate it.



**St. Andrew's Hespeler
Presbyterian Church
October 27, 2024
169th Anniversary**



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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: O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee, by Robert Lau

Call to Worship

L: Praise the Lord in every time and place.

P: We will tell of God's goodness each day.

L: Boast only in the Lord.

P: We will praise God's wonderful deeds.

L: Spread the news of God's greatness.

P: We will give God glory everywhere we go. So let us worship God together here and now, now and always!

Hymn #472 We are God's people

1. We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
born of the Spirit, established by the word;
our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in him we stand:
oh let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

2. We are God's loved ones, the bride of Christ our Lord, for we have known it, the love of God outpoured; now let us learn how to return the gift of love once given: oh let us share each joy and care and live with a zeal that pleases heaven.

3. We are the body of which the Lord is head, called to obey him, now risen from the dead; he wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one: oh let us freely give our gifts, and so shall God's work on earth be done.

4. We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place, formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace; alone, we die, for on its own each ember loses fire: yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.

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Prayer of approach:

L: Lord God, Loving God, we gather as your servants, shaped by the faithfulness of those who went before us and taught us the name of Jesus. In Christ, you call us together to praise your name and serve your world in his name. With the kindness of your Spirit, feed the roots of our faith, and renew our vision for the church in this generation. Fill us with courage and confidence to reach out to others with your mercy and grace, for you are our God, ever faithful to your people. **Amen.**

Laying Down our Burdens

Psalm 34:1-8

L: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

L: O magnify the LORD with me,

P: and let us exalt his name together.

L: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

P: Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

L: This poor soul cried and was heard by the LORD and was saved from every trouble.

P: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

L: O taste and see that the LORD is good;

P: happy are those who take refuge in him.

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even

more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵² Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Hymn #475 I am the church! You are the church!

Refrain: I am the church! You are the church!

We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world!

Yes, we're the church together!

1. The church is not a building; the church is not a steeple; the church is not a resting place; the church is a people. *Refrain*

2. We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colours and all ages, too, from all times and places. *Refrain*

3. Sometimes the church is marching; sometimes it's bravely burning; sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding; always it's learning. *Refrain*

4. And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying; there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying: *Refrain*

5. At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

Refrain

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: Dearest Jesus We Are Here, by Randall Thompson

Sermon: He came to Jericho. He was at Jericho. He Left Jericho

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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

Hymn #315 A mighty fortress is our God

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a refuge never failing, our helper sure amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe yet seeks to work us woe with craft and power great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth has not an equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not a Saviour on our side, the One of God's own choosing. Who is this Saviour, who? Christ Jesus, living, true. Lord Sabaoth by name, from age to age the same, already wins the battle.

3. And though this world, with evil filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God has willed the truth to triumph through us:

the powers of death and hell our God will surely quell; their rage we can endure, for look! Their doom is sure: one little word will fell them.

4. That Word above all earthly powers— no thanks to them!—abiding, ensures that all God's gifts are ours, through Christ in us residing, whose summons rings above all goods, all earthly love. Earth's powers waste away; God's word endures always, whose reign will last forever.

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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 - To God Be The Glory by Don Hustad

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

Organist:	Martin Bohl
Worship Assistant:	Sylvia Brooks
Tech Team:	Dylan Smith & Laura Einwechter
Sunday School:	Dean Davidson
Greeter	Bill Pettit
Beadle	Patrice Wappler

This Week at St. Andrew's Hespeler

Tuesday:	Hope Clothing	9:30 - 11:00 am
Wednesday:	Women in the Bible	10 am
Wednesday:	Mobile Food Market	12:30—1:30 pm
Thursday:	Food Bank	noon—2:00 pm
Thursday:	Hope Clothing	noon - 2:00 pm

The **Women in the Bible Study** will continue on this Wednesday October 30 at 10 am in the foyer. Everyone is welcome to join us.

This is a bible study for everyone, for regular attendees or for first timers!