



**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stratford**

Minister: The Rev. Mark Wolfe                      Music Director: Earl Clark

**Sunday, March 8, 2020 - 10:30 am**

**2nd Sunday in Lent**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**Prelude**      "Air in F major"                      *G. Handel*

**Welcoming and Sharing** (10:25 am)

**Solo:**      "The God of Love"                      *E. Thimon, Soloist Fred Kroskamp*

**\*Entry of The Word** (please rise)

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: The day is here to affirm a new covenant.

**ALL: We call on God's steadfast love and mercy.**

Leader: God's law will be written on our hearts.

**ALL: We are eager to know the God who loves us.**

Leader: God offers us the joy of salvation.

**ALL: We are open to the new and right spirit God offers.**

**\*Hymn # 338:** "Let all things now living"

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession:**

These things we pray through him who taught us to pray saying...

The Lord's Prayer (Trespases)

**Assurance of Pardon**

**The Passing of the Peace**

**Hymn #201:** "We come to ask your forgiveness"

**Children's Message:**

**Solo:** "Sinner Saved by Grace"                      *Gaither, Soloist Fred Kroskamp*

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination:**

Almighty God,  
your Son came into the world  
to free us from sin and death.  
Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit  
that we may be raised to new life in Christ  
and serve you in righteousness all our days.  
We ask this in Christ's name.

**Amen.**

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

Monday March 9	9:30 am Flower Guild
Tuesday	9:30 am Bible Study
	6:30 pm Board Sub Committee
	7:00 pm Board Meeting
Wednesday	2:00 pm Book Worms
	7:00 pm Welcoming Team
Thursday	7:00 pm Choir
Sunday	10:25 am Announcements
	10:30 am Morning Worship
	Coffee Time: Session
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March 15 is **Food Bank Sunday**. Our list is baked beans and soup.

Here are the list of items that we are currently in need of:

- **Canned fruit**
- **Cookies & crackers**
- **Side dishes, such as sidekicks, stove top stuffing, hamburger helper**
- **Kraft Dinner**

Sandy Andress  
Volunteer Coordinator  
**Stratford House of Blessing**

*Thought for Today*

*Let your face shine on your servants; save us in your unfailing love.*

*Psalm 31:1b*

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Welcome, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the worship of God. May God give us a special blessing by being together to share the life-giving Word. Following worship, join in fellowship downstairs. The notices on this sheet will keep you informed of the life of the congregation from day to day, as well as offer prayers for your daily devotions. Thanks for being part of the church family!

### **Opportunity Sheet**

#### **Prayer and praise opportunities**

• For Chris, Susan, Margaret, Marilyn, Dorothy, Carol, Ernie and those known to us who are in need of prayer for any reason, that prayer lifted will be prayer heard, and that prayer heard is answered by almighty God.

**Lent II** - Pray for the congregation and leaders at St. Columba by the Lake PC, Montreal PQ. The Moderator, Rev. Amanda Currie, is visiting them today and bringing them an encouraging message.

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#### **Worship and Pastoral care opportunities**

**Prayer or visit request cards** are available in the narthex.

**Want to Ride the Bus to Church!** Call the Church Office, 519-271-5668 by Thursday! Arrangements will then be made for you.

#### **Mission and Stewardship Opportunities**

##### **Mission Moment:**

##### **International Women's Day**

In India, many girls miss school each month because they do not have the supplies or facilities they need during menstruation. Unsanitary practices put them and their communities at risk. PWS&D-supported community mobilizers are helping girls in India stay in school by educating them about personal and menstrual hygiene. Rima Kumari, a 14-year old girl from Nandlali village, spent time with a community mobilizer. She received sustainable, reusable sanitary napkins and learned about personal hygiene practices. Now, with the supplies she needs, Rima can embrace the joy of uninterrupted practices. Now, with the supplies she needs, Rima can embrace the joy of uninterrupted learning. *PWS&D supports girls' health and education*

##### **Stewardship Thought for today:**

Giving is the thermometer of our love.  
*unknown*

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**Scriptures Readings:** Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 51:1-17 (Refrain 2)  
Matthew 11:28-30

**Sermon :** "Heart to Heart"  
-The Rev. Mark Wolfe—

### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

**\*Hymn # 682:** "Just as I am, without one plea"

#### **Prayers of the People**

**Offertory:** "Allegretto (Sonata)" *Mendelssohn*

**\*Doxology #661** "We give Thee but Thine own"

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

*Ushers come forward with offering at the beginning  
of singing this verse.*

#### **\*Offertory Prayer**

Ushers then present the offering to speaker.

**\*Hymn #499:** "Tell me the old, old story"

#### **\*Benediction**

#### **Parting Hymn:**

##### **"Go In Love"**

Go in love; have no fear.  
God will guide you, He is always near.  
Go in Love; take His hand.  
God will hear you, He will understand.  
May His light forever shine upon you;  
may His peace be always in your heart.  
Go in love; face each day, God will lead you,  
He will show the way, Go in love and live in faith,  
**Amen**

**Postlude:** "Trio in E minor" *Franz Tuma*