

**ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY JANUARY 8, 2012**

**APPROACHING GOD**

Organ Prelude

Processional Hymn: Arise Your Light is Come No. 712

Call to Worship (adapted from the Iona Community)

Leader: In quietness and in darkness, in peace and in confusion, Jesus Christ wants to make his home and meet his friends.

**People: He is the Light of Life. He is the Hope for the world.**

Leader: In Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither Protestant nor Catholic – all are one in Jesus Christ.

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Leader: In him there is neither rich nor poor, neither working class nor middle class, neither First World nor Third World; all are one in Jesus Christ.

**People: He is the Light of Life. He is the Hope for the world.**

Leader: The Light of Life, the Son of God, has come and shone His light among us.

**People: Together we come to worship Him.**

Praise Song: Welcome to our World see screen

**Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer (in unison):**

**Loving and everlasting God, people in darkness were looking for light, people with blindness were looking for sight, people with sickness were looking for health, people in poverty were looking for wealth. Into those days of waiting, you have shone a glorious light, the grace and love of your Son, Jesus Christ. We delight in the new songs that the lonely can now sing, we acknowledge the new hope that the broken can find, and we praise you for the salvation that we, sinful people, can now know and enjoy. May we, who have experienced your light and life, gladly and often, share the light of Christ's love and forgiveness with all those we meet.**

**Hear us now as we pray in the words that Jesus has taught us, Our Father...(debts & debtors)**

**LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

Song Time: This Little Light of Mine

1. This little light of mine...
2. Hide it under a bushel, NO...
3. Don't let anyone wfff it out...
4. Take my light around the world...
5. This little light of mine...

Story Time: Shine Your Light Kristen Hibma  
(Children ages 2 to grade 5 go to Sunday School)

Prophet Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6 Page 602

Responsive Reading: Psalm # 36:5-12 Refrain # 2

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:1-7 Page 812

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Reader: Edith Wright

Choir Anthem: Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies Bissell

Hymn of Illumination: Brightest and Best No. 175

**Sermon: "From Darkness into Light"** Megan Purdy

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD**

Prayers of the People

Organ Offertory

The Dedication of the Offering:

Joyful, joyful, Lord we bring you  
Gifts that you can use today.  
Take them bless them may your kingdom  
Spread through all the world we pray;  
We are here, our time, our talents;  
We would dedicate as well.  
May we show Christ's love within us,  
By our lives, our faith to tell.

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: God of Mercy No. 39

Benediction

Choral Blessing: "Go Now in Peace"

(Inside Cover of the Book of Praise and on the screen)

Organ Postlude

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**Hearing assisted devices** are available for you to borrow each Sunday morning. They are a small earphone with a volume control. Ask any of the ushers and they will show you how to use it.

**Large Print bulletins** are available. Please ask an usher.

***Welcome to this service of worship at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Owen Sound:*** we are happy to have you with us. If you are a visitor, or a newcomer to Owen Sound, you are welcome to use the Visitor Envelope found in the pew. Come for a time of fellowship in the C.E. Hall (anyone can direct you).

**Ushers:** Doug & Loreen Cumming, Carol Hopper, Sonya Mannerow and Jean Swan

**Sunday School Teachers:** Penny Fenwick & Nancy Robinson

**Nursery:** Joanne Buttineau & Florence Strong

**Head Counter:** Chuck Rossel

**Prayer Requests:** For extra support during difficult times. If you have prayer requests you may phone these people who are on the prayer chain: Pat Edwards 376-0451, Sandra Barker 371-7552, Sheila Lamb 376-0702, Marie Herbert (evenings only) 372-1290, the church office 376-7886.

**Sermons:** you may pick up a copy of Sunday's sermon – on the church office counter after church each week. CDs of the service are also available. Please phone the church office at 519-376-7886.

**These Days** is a daily devotional for living by faith. If you would like to subscribe for a yearly subscription, call the church office at 519-376-7886 by January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Cost is \$13 for regular print and \$14 for large print. You should make your cheque payable to the Presbyterian Church in Canada and either leave it on the offering plate, mail it to St. Andrew's or bring it into the church office. Past copies of this booklet are on the small table by the church office.

## St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Living Life to the Full!

***St. Andrew's exists to bring people to a full life in God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. This life is lived through worship and fellowship and in mission to God's world.***



**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Owen Sound, Ontario  
Established 1925**

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**Minister: Rev. Ian K. Johnston, Th.M., C.D.**

**Interim Moderator: Rev. Jim Johnson, B.A., M. Div.**

**Min. Emeritus: Rev. Kenneth Barker, B.A., B.D., M.Th.**

**C.E. Director: Megan Purdy, B.R.E.**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **The Week of January 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Andrew's**

<b>Mon.</b>	9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Cubs 7:00 p.m. Praise Team
<b>Tues.</b>	9:00 a.m. Sandwich Makers 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:45 p.m. WMS 4:00 p.m. CGIT 6:30 p.m. Beavers
<b>Wed.</b>	9:00 a.m. Quilters 6:00 p.m. Search Team 6:30 p.m. Scouts
<b>Thurs.</b>	10:30 a.m. Worship Team Meeting 4:00 p.m. Youth Group 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>Fri.</b>	9:00 a.m. Quilters

**Send-a-Card-Club:** It's the little things in life that count. Sometimes it doesn't take much effort on our part, but it means so much to others. Sending a card or note can help brighten the day for any of us. Why not try it, see how good it makes you feel too. Please send a Get Well/Praying for you card to Hal Clement who is in hospital. Apt. 104, 1300 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. N4K 6Z1

Please return Christmas books and DVDs as quickly as possible to your church library. We would like to get an inventory done early in the new year of all our Christmas items. Thanks!

The **Women's Missionary Society** will meet on Tues. January 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 p.m. Responsive word is "**worship**". All are welcome.

<b>St. Andrew's Financial Report</b>		
General Operating Fund as of Dec. 31, 2011		
	<u><b>Actual</b></u>	<u><b>Budgeted</b></u>
<b>Income</b>	\$380,155	\$378,350
<b>Expense</b>	\$381,434	\$397,372
<b>Deficit</b>	-\$1279	-\$19,022

Many **thanks** to friends who sent Get Well cards after my knee surgery. Don Berner

Written reports and financial reports are due Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup> for St. Andrew's **Annual Report**. Please send these by email, if possible. [general@standrewsowensound.org](mailto:general@standrewsowensound.org)

Would you like to be a **hospital visitor** on behalf of St. Andrew's? A training and orientation time will take place on Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup> at the

hospital. Please let the church office know if you are interested so your name can be on the list.

### Session Synopsis

-The Session held a regular meeting Tues. Jan. 3/12.  
- Terms of reference for The Good Samaritan Fund still have to be established.  
-The special committee to listen to the congregation's comments regarding the music format for the 10:30am worship will be: Aird McCombie; Bryan Barbour; Marianne Ford; Heather Mutch and Julie Davenport.  
-The 87<sup>th</sup> Anniversary speaker has not yet been confirmed - for May 6.  
-Session will meet in a special meeting January 17 at 7 pm to establish Goal Setting for St. Andrew's. This is part of the work for the Congregation Profile.  
-The membership of St. Andrew's currently is 438.  
-The Roll Review Committee feels that the roll will be about 250 when the review is completed.  
-There are 2 requests for membership forthcoming – one awaiting transfer.  
-Re-stated: The Presbyterian Church does not dedicate infants but practices infant baptism.  
-Lent services will begin Wed. Feb. 22. Lunch will be held following the worship in the traditional way (soup and refreshment provided) bring own sandwiches.  
A Stewardship Workshop will be hosted by St. Andrew's PC, March 24 (all day).  
Pastor Neil Orchard, the workshop leaders, will preach at the 10:30 service, March 25.

Are you a student who is looking for summer employment? Huron Feathers Presbyterian Centre is taking applications for staff positions. For more information go to [www.huronfeathers.ca](http://www.huronfeathers.ca)

### **DIAMOND JUBILEE AFTERNOON TEA: CELEBRATING THE 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE REIGN OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II**

An afternoon tea will be held in the chapel on Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the accession to the throne of Queen Elizabeth II. Afternoon tea will be followed by a presentation of the Queen's life given by Margaret Brown. Royal Family memorabilia from Margaret's collection will also be on display.

Please call Margaret Brown at 519 371 2260 or email [margaret.brown@bmts.com](mailto:margaret.brown@bmts.com) to reserve a seat. Numbers may be limited so please let us know as soon as possible.

No admission charge but donations will be gladly accepted for the Good Samaritan Outreach Fund of St Andrew's Church.