

Central Presbyterian Church, Brantford, ON
(519) 752-4932 ~ Email: centralpres97@gmail.com
Website: www.centralpres.ca

Interim Moderator: Rev. Dean Adlam, M. Div.
Minister: Rev. Bill Bynum, M. Div.
Pastoral Care Minister: Rev. Larry Amiro, M. Div.
Director of Music: Mr. Ron Beckett, B.Mus., M.Mus., A.R.C.T.

November 1, 2026 10:00 A.M.
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saint's Day

WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

(* Please stand as able, where asterisk shown)

Prelude: Sonatina in G Frederic le Couppey
* Hymn (Psalm 34) 18 "Through all the changing scenes of life"
Welcome and Announcements

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Call to Worship:

One: Let us bless the Lord at all times;

All: God's praise will always be on our lips.

One: Magnify the Lord in all ways;

All: We will lift up God's name together in worship and in service.

One: God, send your light and your truth as we gather to worship.

All: May they lead us into your holy presence.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sins
Assurance of Pardon

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament: Micah 3: 5-12 (p. 863-864)
* Responsive Psalm: 43 (p. 515/insert) -Ruth Cripps

* Gloria Patri: : *"Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen"*

Duet: Andante from Sonata for Four Hands F Kuhlau
Anca Gaston, pianist

New Testament: Matthew 23: 1-12 (p. 25) -Ruth Cripps

* Hymn 299 "Holy, holy, holy"

Sermon: "Catching Your Breath On The Bus"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 797 "Shall we gather at the river"

Receiving our morning offering:

* Doxology "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and intercession

The Lord's Prayer (sin/sin against)

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD

* Hymn 727 "Let there be light"

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude: Trumpet Minuet Jeremiah Clarke

† † † † † † † † †

Welcome! Again we are pleased that you could be in worship this morning, as it is our hope, together, that everyone will find joy, peace, and community here. We also welcome those that have joined us remotely via Facebook Live.

We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the Haldimand Tract, traditional territory of the Attawandaron (Neutral), Anishnawbe, and Haudenosaunee peoples. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this place. We also recognize the contributions Indigenous peoples have made in shaping and strengthening this community. We are grateful for the opportunity to meet here and re-affirm our collective commitment to make the promise and the challenge of Truth and Reconciliation real in our community.

For Pastoral Care – If pastoral care is needed, please contact Carolyn via email centralpres97@gmail.com or contact Rev. Larry Amiro at 519-802-4590, if you can't reach either contact, please contact Rev. Dean Adlam at: deanandnadine@bell.net or 519-758-5516.

Hospital Pastoral Visits - if you know of anyone in hospital, please let the office know 519-752-4932 so we can arrange a pastoral visit, the Brantford General Hospital has a privacy policy that won't allow clergy to know if someone from their church is in hospital.

CHRISTMAS WITH ARCADY: RING IN THE SEASON!
Saturday, November 28, 2026, at 7:30 PM, St. Andrew's United Church. Celebrate the magic of the holiday season with *Christmas with Arcady*, a colourful, uplifting concert featuring Arcady's acclaimed professional chorus, youth chorus, chamber orchestra, and outstanding soloists. Under the direction of composer and conductor Ronald Beckett, this festive production brings together some of Canada's finest young professional singers and instrumentalists for an enchanting evening of Christmas music. Featuring beloved seasonal favourites alongside imaginative original compositions and arrangements, the concert celebrates the warmth, traditions, and joyful spirit of Christmas. Inspired by Arcady's acclaimed recording *Welcome Yule!*, named the second-ranked CD of 2001 by *The WholeNote Magazine*, this annual holiday favourite has evolved into a lively, informal celebration filled with musical surprises. The program features Arcady's talented string players, flutist Madison Deppe, and the vibrant voices of its professional and youth choruses. With its delightful blend of traditional carols, beautiful melodies, and fresh musical interpretations, *Christmas with Arcady* promises a heartwarming evening of entertainment for audiences of all ages. Advance Tickets: www.arcady.ca or 519-428-3185. For more information: info@arcady.ca

Ushers: Ruth & Nigel Cripps
Scripture Reader: Ruth Cripps
Pianist: Anca Gaston
IPad Camera: Bruce Trickey

Reminder - to turn off your cell phone before the worship service starts every Sunday.

Starting in November the Women's Federation invites you to join them in providing Kleenex and wipes to **Central School**. These are very much needed, especially during the winter months and there is no school budget to supply them. As you are aware, we have a long history with Central School and look forward to continuing our relationship with them.

Six Nations Food Bank is in need of reuseable grocery bags, if you have any extras you do not need, please bring them in with your one dozen egg cartons.

If you have any news that you would like to share with your Central church family, please send an email to the church office at (centralpres97@gmail.com)

Christmas on Kerr Shaver 2026 - Open House featuring works and gifts by nature photographer Anca Gaston and wildlife artist Rachel Zuidervliet. November 20, 21, 22, Friday & Sat 11-5; Sun 12-4, 39 Kerr Shaver Terrace, Brantford. "Come pick up your 2027 Arcady calendar and see my new short film which will be running continuously!" (running time ~ 20 minutes)
Anca will have her calendars with her to sell this morning (\$30) All proceeds from the sale of the calendars go to support **Arcady's** music education program.

Thank you to Mary Allison for making the two fabric bouquets of flowers and donating them to enhance our church space.

Responsive Psalm 43

Prayer to God in Time of Trouble

- ¹ Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause
against an ungodly people;
from those who are deceitful and unjust,
deliver me!
- ² **For you are the God in whom I take refuge;
why have you cast me off?
Why must I walk about mournfully
because of the oppression of the enemy?**
- ³ O send out your light and your truth;
let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy hill
and to your dwelling.
- ⁴ **Then I will go to the altar of God,
to God my exceeding joy,
and I will praise you with the harp,
O God, my God.**
- ⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God, for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.

Mission Projects for 2026

The Trustees would like to thank all those who suggested organizations to receive a donation. On behalf of the congregation these are the recipients for this year.

Crieff Hills	\$8,000
SPCA	1,000
Arcady	2,000
Operation Smile Canada	7,000
Landsdowne Children's Centre	3,000
Nova Vita	3,000
Friendship House	6,000
Stedman Hospice	6,000
Mt. Pleasant Church	3,000
Woodland Cultural Centre	5,000
Six Nations Food Bank	3,000
Brant Food For Thought	2,000
Total	\$49,000

**Country Church Fall & Christmas Market – Mount Pleasant
Presbyterian Church. Saturday, November 7th, 9 a.m. – 12
p.m.** Jams, Jellies, Marmalades, Pickles, Relishes, and Chili
Sauce. Frozen Meat Pies, Frozen Soup and Entrees, Home Baking,
Knitting, Sewing, Needlework, Crafts and Woodworking, Gifts, and
Christmas items. Tickets on Treasures.