

New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church

“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”

Communion Sunday, March 1, 2020 - 10:30am

First Sunday in Lent



SERVING YOU TODAY

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. David McKane

Director of Music: Torin W. Chiles

Reader: Jeff Goud

Welcome Team: Captain: Tim Van Hees, Ellen Faubert, Sonya & John Malone,
Mary & Joe Ruitenbeek

Counters: Pam Johnston, Doug McKay, Susan Vallas

Hall Shepherd: Telly Lengkey

Sunday School: Deb Noble-Van Hees

Teen Group: Gather in Sanctuary March 1 for Communion

Nursery: Winn Files

Hospitality: Highland

Stewart Library: Open every Sunday

Unison Prayer of Illumination

You are the Truth. Enable us not only to discern it but to live it. You are the Way. Help us to see it and strengthen us to follow. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

First Lesson Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

Pg. 2 in O.T.

Responsive Reading Psalm 32

L: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

C: Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

L: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

C: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

C: Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

L: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

C: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

L: Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

C: Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.

L: Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

*** 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.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 4: 1-11

Pg. 3 in N.T.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Jesus Walked The Lonesome Valley* American Folk Hymn
Jesus walked the lonesome valley; He had to walk it by Himself. O, nobody else could walk it for Him; He had to walk it by Himself. Jesus went and stood His trials; He had to stand them by Himself. O, nobody else could stand them for Him; He had to stand them by Himself. We must walk this lonesome valley; we have to walk it by ourselves. O, nobody else can walk it for us; we have to walk it by ourselves. We must go and stand our trials; we have to stand them by ourselves. O, nobody else can stand them for us; we have to stand them by ourselves.

Sermon “Choices” Rev. Dr. David McKane

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of Faith # 200** *Lord Jesus, who through forty days* (St. Flavian)

Offering and Offertory *Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether (Union Seminary)*
J. Biery (©2005)

* **Doxology**

* **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

Announcements

Our Church Family Celebrates Communion

Invitation

* **Communion Hymn # 542** *Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Picardy)*

* **Apostles' Creed # 539**

Institution of the Sacrament

Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer (sung) # 83 I

The Distribution

Prayer after Communion

* **Hymn of Discipleship # 202** *We lay our broken world in sorrow at your feet*
(Garelochside)

* **Commission and Response**

* **Benediction**

* **Threefold Amen # 780**

Postlude

Jesus, Still Leads Us On

P. Manz (©1978)



COMMUNION

We gather at our Lord's Table today, in memory of our Saviour Jesus Christ who died and rose from death for our sakes. Please note that there is a gluten-free bread available, and that you have the choice of red wine or white grape juice.

“BACK TO BASICS” – A POEM

What is this poem all about? Why, it's socks and underwear!
It's "Back to Basics" time once more; it happens once a year.
Please donate all sizes of socks and underwear that's new.
Then everyone in London town will be warm and cozy, too!



WEDNESDAYS IN LENT SOUP SUPPER - FILM & DISCUSSION - WORSHIP NEW ST. JAMES - MARCH 11TH @ 6:00PM “JOY”

On March 11th at 6:00pm Soup supper; 6:45pm short film exploring genuine Christian invitation; followed by a time of discussion that will run until 7:15-7:30pm. We will end our time with an evening Prayer. Other dates and locations:

- March 4 Trinity Lutheran, 746 Colborne St. - “Home”
- March 18 Redeemer Lutheran, 1 Frank Place - “Us”
- March 25 St. Andrew Memorial, 55 Foxbar Rd. - “One”
- April 1 St. Paul's Cathedral, 472 Richmond St. - “Go”

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY, MARCH 6th

World Day of Prayer will be held Friday, March 6, 2020 from 2-3 PM in St. John the Evangelist Church (corner of St. James and Wellington Streets). The theme is “Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk” with a focus on Zimbabwe. Learn about the country's history, ethnicity, education and cuisine. Refreshments will be available after the service. The church is fully accessible by the Wellington Street doors. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Lyn Hill at 519-472-8353 or lyn.hill@sympatico.ca.

GARAGE AND RUMMAGE SALE
SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 9:30am - 12:00 noon

It is time for some spring cleaning! We need women's, men's and children's clothing, books, household items, linens, toys, jewellery, lamps, small appliances, garden tools, small pieces of furniture and other items that would typically sell at garage sales. Help is also going to be need so please plan to donate some of your time on April 2nd, 3rd and 4th. For further information please talk to Deb Van Hees.

WEBSITE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: LAST DAY TO SIGN UP!

NSJ's website is getting a new "look and feel" and our social media presence is being enhanced! Watch for a complete update in the next edition of "**News from New St. James**". We need 10-15 volunteers to try out the new website before it is officially launched. We are looking for volunteers of various ages, with varying computer expertise and those who are relatively new to NSJ and those who have been here longer. You will have an opportunity to review the site starting around **March 8** and will be expected to submit your feedback by no later than **March 30**. After you submit your feedback, you will be eligible to enter a draw for a special surprise! Please **sign up by March 1st** by emailing Charlene Beynon at cebeynon@rogers.com or calling 519-473-1743. Don't be disappointed, sign up soon!

NSJ Ad Hoc Website Committee: Charlene Beynon, Steve Langham,
 John Malone & Andrew Reid

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES		
Monday, March 2	1:30pm	Line Dancing
	3:30pm	Bible Study
	7:00pm	AA
Tuesday, March 3	10:00am	Seniors' Activity Day
	5:00pm	Jr. Amabile
Wednesday, March 4	9:30am	Childreach
	7:00pm	CCNC Choir
	7:00pm	Thames Clarinet Choir
Thursday, March 5	1:30pm	Al-Anon
	7:30pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
	7:30pm	Al-Anon
Friday, March 6	7:30pm	AA
Saturday, March 7	3:30pm	CCNC Ensemble
Sunday, March 8	10:30am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Fellowship Luncheon

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON - SUNDAY MARCH 8

Maddison Fysh will be speaking about the Covenant House. There will be a SPECIAL video presentation addressed to the New St. James community by Maddison's colleague who is a Forbes 30 Under 30 Nominee and a TIFF recognized producer for her documentary. You don't want to miss it! All ages welcome. This is a free will offering soup luncheon with dessert. Soup donations greatly appreciated. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in NSJ's Hall.

MARCH BREAK CAMP - MARCH 16-20

8:30am-4:00pm, Monday to Friday for kids, ages 4 to 12, only \$50 for the week. Pick up registration forms at the office. Questions? Talk to Deb Noble-Van Hees.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

West Toronto's St. Andrew's Islington Presbyterian Church has begun a new missional experiment called *Intersection* that seeks to reach out to people living in their community. This ministry invites people who have never been to church and may not feel comfortable stepping inside a church building to experience worship in a way that is more comfortable for them. The church is introducing neighbours to Christ by hosting events in everyday places such as retail spaces and condo party rooms. They hope to bless their neighbours by offering ESL meet ups, a senior's drop-in café, divorce care groups, and parenting support programs.

Presbyterians Sharing reaches out in new ways

London Ecumenical Refugee Committee (LERC)

Vince Morris will be in the New St. James Hall during refreshment time after the Worship Service selling Rheo Thompson chocolates in support of the London Ecumenical Refugee Committee.

THE STEWART LIBRARY

Copies of Our Daily Bread are available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside New St. James Hall, at no charge.

FOOD CUPBOARD

Please consider donating soups, canned vegetables, tuna, cereals, diapers, women's sanitary supplies, toiletries, and 250, 500, 750 ml plastic containers to St. Paul's Daily Bread Program. Baskets are located at all entrances.

PASTORAL CARE

Please let the church know of illnesses, hospitalizations, births, deaths, and confidential prayer requests, by calling the office at 519-434-1127. Please contact Mary Lou McCrimmon to activate the prayer chain.

**SENIORS' ACTIVITY DAY AT NSJ
ALL SENIORS WELCOME**

This Tuesday we welcome back chef Ann Morris who will provide lunch for only \$8. At 10:00am, we'll begin with coffee/tea and goodies and then play our favourite card and board games – euchre, scrabble, dominoes, etc. For the more-energetic, there's always shuffleboard. Come and socialize and we'll wrap things up at 3pm. For more information, please contact Lyn Hill at 519-472-8353.

COFFEE CUP FUND - February 23rd we collected \$126. Our grand total is \$815.75

STEWARDSHIP: If you have been blessed with a great deal, then you have a lot of giving to do.

Johnnetta B. Cole (1936 -), anthropologist, college president

New St. James Presbyterian Church

Interim Moderator	The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Stated Supply Minister	Rev. Mark McLennan
Clerk of Session	Bruce Curtis
Ministers Emeritus	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files and Rev. Andrew Reid
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