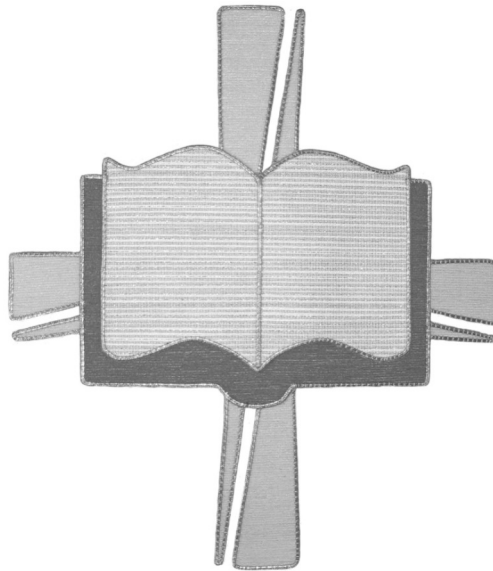


New St. James Presbyterian Church

**A Mission Church
Sunday, August 4, 2019
Service at 10:00am
We Gather to Worship God**



SERVING YOU TODAY

Worship Leader: Mike Ruggi

Music Leader: Torin Chiles

Reader: Pat Taylor

Welcome Team: Volunteers

Counters: Pam Johnston, Doug McKay, Susan Vallas

Hall Shepherd: Kathy Ruggi

Nursery: Cathy Taylor

Hospitality: Juice, Cookies

Stewart Library: Open every Sunday

Note to Visitors: Summer Church School at New St. James starts at 10:00am, when the children and teens meet downstairs. They join the congregation in the sanctuary for Our Church Family Together. For directions to the Lower Hall, please ask an usher.

We Gather to Worship God

* **Please stand, if able**

Prelude *Fantasy in A Minor* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

* **Trumpet Fanfare for Entry of the Bible** (*please stand, if able*)

* **Processional Hymn** *Take my life, and let it be consecrated* (Lubeck) **637**

* **Welcome to New St. James** (*please turn and greet one another*)

Call to Worship

L: Happy are those who know real treasure and where to find it.

C: Happy are those who receive God's treasure and share it unselfishly.

L: Invest your life and your heart in Christ, just as God has invested Christ in you.

C: Happy are those whose reward is found in heaven, not on earth.

L: We gather to give God thanks and praise.

C: We come to worship God in Spirit and in Truth.

Unison Prayer of Approach

Loving God, open our hearts this day, as we proclaim your holy word, as we offer praise and thanksgiving, in response to your abundant acts of love. Challenge us to seek the values of heaven over the trappings of this world. May the words we experience this day call us to a rich relationship with you: in our singing be the note of joy; in our praying be the heartfelt word; in our searching be the will to endure; in our need be the font of life giving water. Bless us as we lift up your name, we ask it through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Unison Prayer for Illumination

God of love and grace, send your Spirit upon us that we may not only hear your words, but find creative and faithful ways to put them into action. In Jesus name, Amen.

First Lesson Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Pg. 614 in O.T.

Responsive Reading Psalm 49:1-11

L: Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world,

C: both low and high, rich and poor together.

L: My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

C: I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

L: Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,

C: those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches?

L: Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it.

C: For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice,

L: that one should live on forever and never see the grave.

C: When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

L: Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

*** 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.

Epistle Colossians 3:1-11

Pg. 201 in N.T.

Gospel Lesson Luke 12:13-21

Pg. 74 in N.T.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Musical offering:

Be Not Afraid

B. Dufford (©1975)

Jennifer Bywaters, soprano

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live. Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come and follow me, and I will give you rest. If you pass through raging waters in the sea you shall not drown. If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.

If you stand before the power of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all. Be not afraid... Blessed are the poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked men insult and hate you all because of Me, blessed, blessed are you!

Sermon: "Preparing for the future"

Mike Ruggi

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of Faith** *Seek ye first (Seek ye first)* **625**

Prayers for the World

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

Offering and Offertory *Meditation On "Rock Of Ages" (Toplady)* D. Lasky (©2011)

Hortons vs Starbucks Update: Total raised as of July 28th \$3,111.15

* **Doxology**

* **Dedication of Offering**

Our Church Family Together

Announcements

Prayers for New St. James

* **Hymn** *Jesus loves me, this I know (Jesus loves me)* **373**

* **Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude *Toccatino*

A. Moore (©1995)

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER GARDENERS

Do you want to spend more time outdoors? Merrymount Family Support Centre is looking for a volunteer or two to care for the garden on their property at 1064 Colborne Street. At the moment there would be an initial time of 2 or 3 hours a week to weed and get things looking better, and then regular maintenance an hour a week or so. The volunteer is also welcome to keep any of the produce for themselves from the garden. If you are interested in this project please contact Anne Brooks at 519-434-6848, ext. 229 or e-mail her at abrooks@merrymount.on.ca

NSJ HAS A WORLD SWIMMING CHAMPION!

On Monday, July 22, Maggie MacNeil won a gold medal in the 100-metre butterfly, a personal best and a Canadian record with a time of 55.83 seconds at the World Swimming Championships in Gwangju, South Korea. The day before Maggie also won a bronze medal in the team 4x100 metre free style relay. **CONGRATULATIONS** Maggie from your NSJ family!



ELEVATOR REPAIRS AUGUST 19-23: Please note that the church elevator will be out of service for the week of August 19-23 for required upgrades. Weekday groups will not be able to use the elevator during that time. The work is to be completed before Sunday services.

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

Monday, August 5	OFFICE CLOSED	
	7:00 pm	AA
Wednesday, August 7	6:00 pm	Clarinet Choir
Thursday, August 8	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	5:30 pm	Dancing w/Debbie
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
Friday, August 9	7:30 pm	AA
Sunday, August 11	10:00 am	Worship Service
	3:30 pm	CCNC



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.

New St. James Presbyterian Church

Interim Moderator	The Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Interim Minister	The Rev. Dr. David Thompson minister@newstjames.com
Clerk of Session	Bruce Curtis
Ministers Emeritus	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files and Rev. Andrew Reid
Director of Music	Torin W. Chiles - tchiles@uwo.ca
Choristers	Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano; Alyssa Woolhether, soprano; Natalie Gassi, soprano; Máiri Demings, alto; Conlan Gassi, tenor; Jordan De Sousa, baritone,
Office Administrator	Judi Le Blanc - admin@newstjames.com 9:00 am to 3:00 pm - Monday to Thursday
Custodian	Mark McDonald 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Sunday to Thursday
Address	280 Oxford St. E., London, Ontario, N6A 1V4
Phone	519-434-1127
New St. James	www.newstjames.com
Presbytery of London	www.presbylondon.ca
National Church	www.presbyterian.ca 1-800-619-7301

