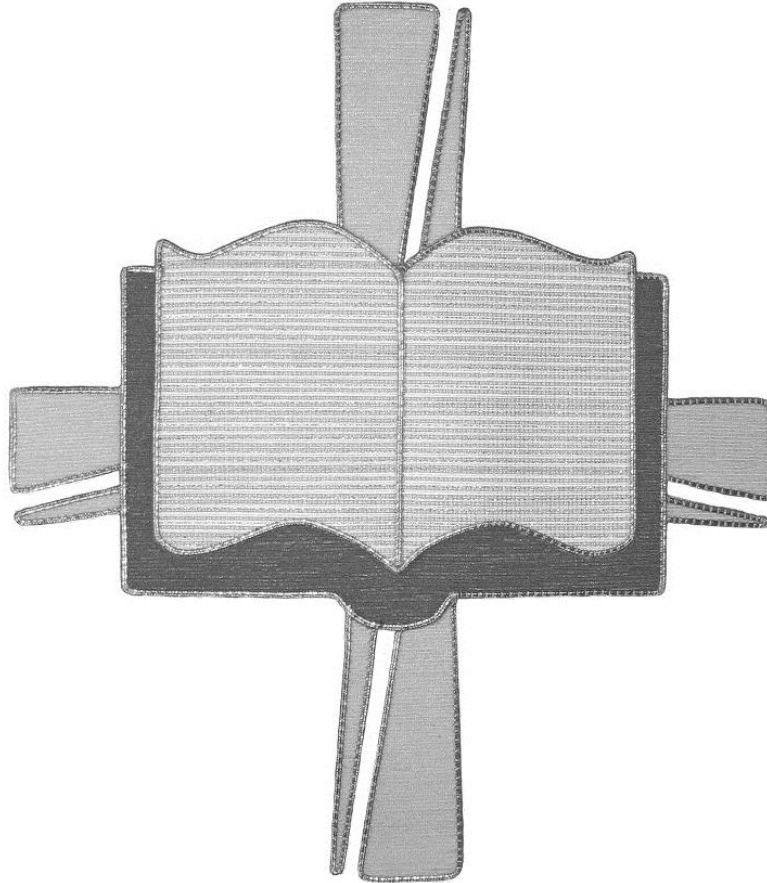


**NewSt.JamesChurch**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Sunday, September 4, 2016 - 10:00 am



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Mike Ruggi*

Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*

Reader: *Sonya Malone*

Counters: *Dave Daggett, Ann Milling, Susan Vallas*

Hall Shepherd: *Pat Goud*

Nursery: *Karen Buchwald*

Summer Church School for ages 3-10: *Joanne MacPherson*

Hospitality: *Lemonade*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

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

**\*Please stand, if able**

## We Gather to Worship God

**Prelude** *Somos del Señor* trad. Mexican;  
Emma L. Diemer (©1993)

\* **Entry of the Bible**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship (Based On Psalm 139)**

**L: God, you search me and know me. Before I sit, you know when I will rise.**

**C: God, you search me and know me. Before I speak, you know what I will say.**

**L: God, you search me and know me, in my joy and despair, in my breathing in and breathing out.**

**C: God, you search me and know me. Your knowledge is too deep to reach, too vast to comprehend.**

**ALL: God, you search me and know me. Search me, O God, and know my heart.**

\* **Hymn of Praise** *The clay-stained hands of love (Little Marlborough)* **296**

**Prayer of Approach**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Musical Offering** *God Will Make A Way* D. Moen (©1990);  
arr. M. Hayes (©2005)  
Shannon Wijnker, mezzo-soprano

God will make a way where there seems to be no way. He works in ways we cannot see; He will make a way for me. He will be my guide, hold me closely to His side, with love and strength for each new day; He will make a way. By a roadway in the wilderness He'll lead me, and rivers in the deserts I will see. Heaven and earth will fade, but His Word will still remain. He will do something

new today! He leadeth me! O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me! He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me; His faithful follower I will be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

[text: D. Moen (©1990) and J. Gilmore (1834-1918)]

### Unison Prayer for Illumination

**Almighty God, in our weakness, you call us; in our confusion, you teach us; in our troubles, you offer us peace. As we come to hear your word, give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Scripture Lesson**                  Jeremiah 18:1-11                                  **pg. 720 in O.T.**

**Sermon**                                  **"In The Hands of The Potter"**                                  Mike Ruggi

## We Respond in Faith and Service

\* **Hymn of Faith**                  *Spirit of the living God*                                  **400**

### Prayers of Concern

**Offering and Offertory**      *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*  
Ch. Converse (1832-1918); arr. J. Boeringer (©2006)

\* **Doxology**    **830**

\* **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

### Announcements

### Our Church Family Together

**Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**                                  Inside cover of Book of Praise

\* **Hymn of Discipleship**      *I have decided to follow Jesus (Assam)*                                  **570**

\* **Commission and Response**    **264**

\* **Benediction**

**Postlude**                                  *May The Mind Of Christ (St. Leonards)*      J. Schrader (©1982)

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**TODAY AT NEW ST. JAMES**  
*We welcome you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

**WELCOME**

- We invite guests and visitors to use the blue welcome cards in the pew racks, and the Friendship Book in the narthex.
- Large print bulletins, Bibles and Books of Praise are available in the racks as you enter the sanctuary or from an usher.
- To honour our time in worship, we ask you to turn off phones while in the sanctuary.
- Audio CD's of today's service will be available in the Stewart Library.
- Bulletins and sermons are posted under the Worship tab on our website - [www.newstjames.com](http://www.newstjames.com)
- Copies of bulletins and sermons are available in the information rack in the narthex.
- Visitor offering envelopes are available in the pew boxes in front of you. Tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$10.

**PARKING**

- On Sunday mornings, the Oxford Street parking lot is for handicapped parking and for drop offs only. Please do not park in the laneway into the parking lot - this is a fire access route. Parking is available on all surrounding streets and at our good neighbours:
- Harris Funeral Home on St. James Street
- Behind Susan J's
- Valu-Mart (outside row along the east fence & back laneway row)
- Behind the building across Wellington St. (do not park in spaces marked Dental Arts)

**WASHROOMS**

- Washrooms are located in the corridor behind the organ chamber, and on the lower and upper levels of the hall. Coat racks are in the narthex and in the corridor behind the organ chamber. Please do not leave valuables unattended.

**NURSERY**

- Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery, near the west door of the sanctuary. We invite parents with small children to sit in the front pews on that side.

**FOR YOUR SAFETY**

- We want to make New St. James a safe and welcoming place for all who come here. Our Church School staff have all received Police Records Checks and training in safety procedures.
- To protect people with nut allergies, our goal is to make New St. James a nut-free facility. Please do not bring nuts of any kind, or anything containing nut products such as peanut butter, into the building. However, we cannot guarantee that cookies served during the fellowship time may not have come in contact with nuts.

- Gluten-free cookies are available during the fellowship time.
- To protect people who are sensitive or allergic to scent, we want to make New St. James scent-free. Please keep this in mind when applying perfume and aftershaves.
- For reasons of personal safety, the front row of the balcony has been closed off.

For those persons who have not been contacted already by email, 2016-2017 schedules for Scripture Readers, Hall Shepherds and Welcome Teams have been placed in your mail slot.

The deadline for the next issue of The New Connection newsletter is **September 8**. Cathy Urquhart looks forward to hearing about your summer experiences so please submit your articles to [curquh0418@rogers.com](mailto:curquh0418@rogers.com)

“2016 is the year that NSJ volunteers must renew their PVSC (Police Vulnerable Sector Checks). There is a list posted on the bulletin board by the church office with all those that require a PVSC. There is also an information sheet for completing this on line as preferred by London Police Services. The Leading With Care committee would like to have all checks completed by September if at all possible. If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members.

**Please note: Next week our Sunday worship returns to 10:30 a.m.**

**The W.M.S. luncheon meeting will be held on Friday, September 9 at 12 p.m.  
Please contact Ann McLatchey (519-673-3733) if you are unable to attend.**

#### **DATES TO NOTE**

<b>August 28 - September 22</b>	<b>Mission Team in Malawi</b>
<b>September 4, 10.00am</b>	<b>Mike Ruggi leading worship</b>
<b>September 10, 8am - 6.00pm</b>	<b>NSJ@Camp Kintail Day</b>
<b>September 11, 10.30am</b>	<b>Rally Sunday/Camp Kintail celebration</b>
<b>September 13, 9.30am</b>	<b>New seniors activity programme</b>
<b>September 13, 1.00pm</b>	<b>Creative Hands resume</b>
<b>September 14, 9.30am</b>	<b>Indoor Playground resumes</b>
<b>September 19, 5.30pm</b>	<b>NSJ Northern Hospitality at St Michael's</b>

**MALAWI MISION TEAM BLOG** <http://malawimission2016.blogspot.ca/>

**The New Senior Drop-In Activity Program starts Tuesday, September 13 from 9:30am-3:30 pm. There will be a catered lunch for \$8.00 per person. Looking for bridge, euchre, and board game players. Please RSVP to the church office by Friday, September 9.**

**YULETIDE BAZAAR AND BREAKFAST  
Saturday, November 19**

Women's Council will be holding its biennial Bazaar and Breakfast this fall. Half of the proceeds from this sale will be donated to the ongoing fundraising efforts to balance the budget. What is needed? Preserves (make us a batch while you are making yours), donations for the silent auction, crafts, jars (pint and half pint - please put in the lower kitchen), donations of jewellery, donations of deli foods, baking when we are at Bazaar time, donations for the treasure table and last but certainly not least we need your help. Help by donating but also help by being available to set up, to help with the breakfast and to help sell our merchandise. For any further information, please call Karen Buchwald.

**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.



**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.



Mark your diary now for this year's NSJ@Kintail Day! Saturday, September 10, leaving the church at 8.00am and returning about 4.30pm.