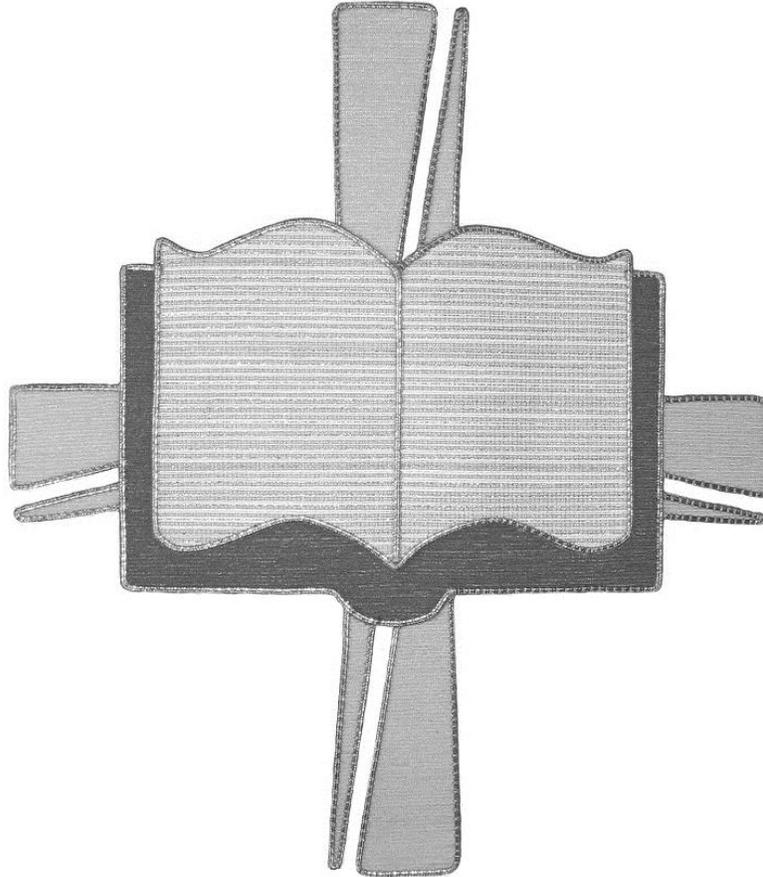


New St. James Church
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”
The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Sunday, August 7, 2016 - 10:00 am



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*

Reader: *Ann Milling*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Dave Colwell*

Nursery: *Cathy Taylor, Janet Hines*

Summer Church School for ages 3-10: *Mike Ruggi*

Hospitality: *Lemonade*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

Sermon **“Letters to the churches: Thessalonians”** Rev. Andrew Reid

We Respond in Faith and Service

*	Hymn of Faith	<i>To Abraham and Sarah (Thornbury)</i>	478
	Prayers of Concern		
	Offering and Offertory	<i>Considering Lilies</i>	R. Robertson (©2012)
*	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>Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord</i>	476
*	Commission and Response		264
*	Benediction		
	Postlude	<i>Toccatino</i>	A. Moore (©1995)

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
- 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.



Lemonade Time! Lemonade and cookies are served after the summer worship services. We are looking for hosts for one or more Sundays from July until the first week of September. The sign-up list is in the downstairs kitchen. Thank you for your help.

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

“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.

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.

DONATIONS

We are still being asked what we need to take with us to Malawi. Thank you for everything already donated and the work that has been done to make all the things we are taking with us. We are now at full capacity with the luggage allowance we are allowed to take. It is hard to pack everything when new airline luggage regulations only allow two suitcases per passenger instead of the three they used to allow.

If you would still like to donate we would be very pleased to accept cash donations which will allow us to buy much needed food for the children, bikes, and computers for the high school in Chuluchosema. You can donate through your offering and you will receive a tax receipt.

Please mark the donation for Malawi.

London Ecumenical Refugee Committee News



LERC'S SCRAP METAL AND ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ACCOUNT WITH ZUBICK'S

You can bring your scrap metal and deceased electronics during business hours
Mon. to Fri. 7:30 to 4:30
Saturday 7:30 to 11:30
to John Zubick Limited
105 Clarke Road

AND IDENTIFY THAT THE PROCEEDS SHOULD GO TO "LERC".

In a nutshell, any metal item, dead electronic items that plug in or use batteries AND dead batteries
THIS RESTRICTION IS IMPORTANT!
NO FRIGES, FREEZERS OR SMOKE DETECTORS.

NO FREON

New St. James'
TWELVE KEYS GROUP
is forming and YOU are invited
to participate and contribute.

On Saturday, April 20, about 30 of us came together for the workshop "Leadership Today", led by Dr. David Thompson and Kathy Smit. This was actually about the fifth leadership initiative in the last four years. All of the workshops were great, but nothing came of them. Many of us in business, government and education have experienced energizing retreats and workshops that produced no change. The result often is that the grassroots stop taking appeals for leadership and dynamic growth seriously.

Not this time. Enough training. It is time to build on what we have learned.

David and Kathy walked us through Kennon Callahan's book, *Twelve Keys to an Effective Church*. Callahan has decades of experience helping congregations increase their key strengths and add additional strengths in order to be even more effective mission servants in our world that is full of hopes and hurts. His message is based on our being Easter People, the people of the Open Tomb. Our best years are yet to come and it is up to us to discern what God has planned for us so that we will be able to hand New St. James on to the next generation stronger and more vital than when it was handed on to us.

The Twelve Keys Group will meet a few times in August to study several chapters of Callahan's book and to begin the planning process of preparing New St. James for worship and service well into the 21st century. We intend to have fun doing this work. *If you would like to be part of this exciting time of introspection, analysis and dynamic growth, please contact John Stewart.* All will be welcomed into the team. One last thought: the time of introspection and analysis will be short because we will move to action quickly. This will not be yet another exciting workshop that goes nowhere.

