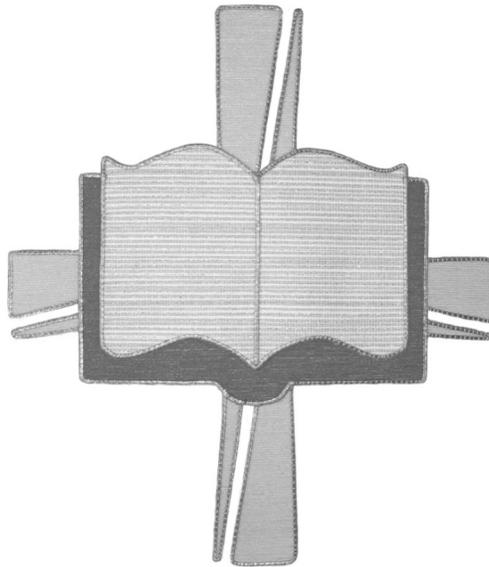


# New St. James Presbyterian Church

**A Mission Church  
Sunday, July 21, 2019  
Service at 10:00am  
We Gather to Worship God**



## **SERVING YOU TODAY**

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. David S. Thompson

Music Leader: Charnelle Pennyfeather

Reader: Bruce Curtis

Welcome Team: Volunteers

Counters: Pam Johnston, Susan Pepper, John White

Hall Shepherd: Johanis Weydekamp

Nursery: Donna Aziz

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**

- \* **Trumpet Fanfare for Entry of the Bible** *(please stand, if able)*
- \* **Processional Hymn # 9** *God's law is perfect (St. Andrew)*
- \* **Welcome to New St. James** *(please turn and greet one another)*

### **Call to Worship**

**L:** O come let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

**C:** Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise!

### **Unison Prayer of Approach**

Our Loving God we know You as the great giver of life. We are grateful to be alive and to be here in this place of worship and holiness, where we can pause and center ourselves for the week to come. Help us to learn here, and to apply what we learn to our situations, as a stewardship of the individual life that You have given to us. Bless us we pray as we approach You expectantly. Amen.

### **Words of Assurance**

When we have made poor choices that have resulted in events that have not lifted us up into the good, the true, and the beautiful, we need Your grace-filled forgiveness. Thank-You for being there for us, ALWAYS.

Amen.

## We Hear the Word of God

### **Unison Prayer for Illumination**

Dear God speak to our hearts about the things that last forever, so that we understand the continuity between this world and the next. Amen.

**First Lesson**      I Samuel 25: 2-15

**Pg. 269 in O.T.**

**Responsive Reading**      Psalm 27: 1-5

L: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**C: When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh - my adversaries and foes - they shall tumble and fall.**

L: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

**C: One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.**

L: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

### \* **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 4: 5-6

**Pg. 202 in N.T.**

**Gospel Lesson**      Luke 6: 37-38

**Pg. 65 in N.T.**

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Musical Offering**

*How Can I Keep From Singing (R. Lowery (1826-1899))*

Lesley Andrew, soprano

A. Bullard (©2010)

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation; I hear the clear though far off hymn that hails a new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing; it finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? What though the tempest loudly roars, I know my saviour liveth; although the darkness binds me close, deep in the night sweet songs He giveth. His inner peace makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing; since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

**Sermon: "Gratitude, A Powerful Tool For Difficult Situations"**  
**Rev. Dr. David Thompson**

## **We Respond in Faith and Service**

\* **Hymn of Faith # 663**      *God, whose giving knows no ending (Rustington)*

### **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**

**Hortons vs Starbucks Update:** Total raised as of July 14th \$2,881.55

\* **Doxology**

\* **Dedication of Offering**

## **Our Church Family Together**

### **Announcements**

### **Prayers for New St. James**

\* **Hymn # 457**      Now thank we all our God (Nun Danket)

\* **Commissioning and Benediction**

### **Postlude**

