

**NewSt.JamesChurch**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017 - 10:30 am



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Karen Buchwald*

Welcome Team: *Dave & Marybeth Goodreau,  
Jim & Mary Anne Simpson, Frank & Theresa Walsh*

Counters: *Ellen Faubert, Ken & Liz Robbins, Jennifer Whitworth*

Hall Shepherd: *Ian McCrimmon*

Nursery: *Carol Fisher, Theresa Walsh*

Hospitality: *Highland*

Stewart Library: *Open every day*

**A Note for Visitors:** The service today is an All Ages Service. Our church family will remain together in the sanctuary for the whole service. The nursery is open as usual.

**\*Please stand, if able**

## We Gather to Worship God

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Benedictus</i>	A. Rowley (1892-1958)
* <b>Entry of the Bible</b>		
* <b>Processional Hymn</b>	<i>Hosanna</i>	<b>216</b>
<b>Prayer of Approach</b>		

## We Hear the Word of God

* <b>Hymn</b>	<i>Hosanna, loud hosanna (Ellacombe)</i>	<b>218</b>
<b>Scripture</b>	Psalm 118:1-2,19-29	<b>pg. 565 in O.T.</b>
<b>Homily</b>	Palms	
* <b>Hymn</b>	<i>Filled with excitement (Hosanna)</i>	<b>215</b>
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>Open The Gates of Jerusalem</i>	J. Raney (©2014)
Open the gates of Jerusalem! Come Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art; dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart. Hosanna, Hosanna! Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord. All glory laud and honour, and hymns of joy we raise, to Christ the Great Redeemer, we lift our hearts in praise. Hosanna, hosanna!		
<b>Scripture</b>	Matthew 21:1-11	<b>pg. 23 in N.T.</b>
* <b>Hymn</b>	<i>The flaming banners of our King (Gonfalon Royal)</i>	<b>222</b>
<b>Scripture</b>	Philippians 2:5-11	<b>pg. 197 in N.T.</b>
<b>Homily</b>	Holy Week	

## We Respond in Faith and Service

<b>Solo</b>	<i>The Palms</i> Conlan Gassi, tenor	J.B. Fauré (1830-1914)
<p>O'er all the way green palms and blossoms gay are strewn this day in festal preparation; where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away. E'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare. <i>Join all and sing, His name declare, let every voice resound with acclamation. Hosanna! Praise to the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation! Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem, of all thy sons sing the emancipation. Through boundless love, the Christ of Bethlehem brings faith and hope to thee forevermore. Join all and sing...!</i></p>		
<b>Prayer</b>	PWS&D liturgy	see insert
<b>Offering and Offertory</b>	<i>Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (Ellacombe)</i>	J. Leavitt (©1991)
* <b>Doxology</b>		<b>830</b>
* <b>Dedication of the Offering</b>		
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>		Inside cover of Book of Praise
<b>Announcements</b>		
* <b>Hymn</b>	<i>Ride on, ride on in majesty (Winchester New)</i>	<b>217</b>
* <b>Commission and Response</b>	<i>Day by day</i>	<b>455</b>
* <b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>All Glory, Laud And Honour (St. Theodulph)</i>	G. M. Martin (©1970)

## **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.

## THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

<b>Monday, April 10</b>	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, April 11</b>	10:00 am	Activity Day @ NSJ
	10:30 am	Lectionary Study
	1:00 pm	Creative Hands
	5:00 pm	Amabile Youth Singers
	6:30 pm	Highland (Food Bank)
	7:00 pm	Presbytery (Glencoe)
<b>Wednesday, April 12</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
<b>Maundy Thursday, April 13</b>	12:00 pm	Glengarry
	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:00 pm	Communion Service
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
	8:00 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
<b>Good Friday, April 14</b>	10:30 am	Cantata
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Easter Sunday, April 16</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service
	3:30 pm	CCNC

**Activity Day at NSJ!** Drop-in **Tuesdays** from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. There is a catered lunch for \$8.00 per person. Looking for shuffleboard and card players.

**CREATIVE HANDS** meet Tuesday afternoons to make feminine hygiene kits to go to Malawi. If you can pin, rip, cut, iron, fold, sew or serge, please join us between 1&3 pm in an upstairs classroom.

### HIGHLAND GROUP

**Tuesday, April 11 6:30 pm**

We will meet at the Food Bank, 926 Leathorne Street, at 6:30 sharp - note the change of time and please do not be late. We will work until 8:00 and then go for coffee at Tim Horton's on Commissioners Road. If you wish, please bring a donation. If you need a ride, call Karen Buchwald.

INDOOR PLAYGROUND is a FREE drop-in for parents and caregivers **EVERY Wednesday 9:30-11:30 am.**

**Please note:** No Junior Youth this coming Friday due to Good Friday. Next Junior Youth is Friday, April 21 at 7:00 pm at NSJ.

Through the Mission and Social Action Committee, New St. James supports the **Teeswater Cropshare Program**. Each year, a crop is grown on donated land. Volunteers plant and harvest the crop which is then sold. The money goes to the **Canadian Foodgrains Bank** and is matched 4-1 by the Canadian Government. Proceeds are used to respond to emergencies, support the livelihoods of small-scale farmers, and improve health and education for children.

As a thanks for our support, the congregation is invited to a Partner Appreciation Event in Teeswater (north of Wingham) on Saturday, April 22 starting at 10:00 am. David Epp, the Ontario coordinator for the CFB, will give an update on projects currently underway. A free dinner will be served (free-will donations accepted) and in the afternoon there will be a field or farm visit.

If you would like to attend, please contact Lyn Hill at [lyn.hill@sympatico.ca](mailto:lyn.hill@sympatico.ca) or at 519-472-8353.

**Ballots** for the election of Elders are in the narthex for **members**. Please pick up your envelope today.

A very special thank you to all who volunteered to help make yesterday's Garage and Rummage Sale a huge success.

### **Roots of Palm Sunday**

Since the fourth century, the joy of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem has been set in deliberate contrast to the story of his suffering and death. The connection between Christ's glory and his death keeps the full story of salvation before us. This is the first day of the seven days of the story. This week is a roller coaster of deep emotion and dramatic events. The palm tree branches of this Sunday honour Jesus, but soon another tree will bring death. We wait for Easter resurrection.

## Finding Meaning in the Tradition

Holy week is framed by glory – the glory offered by people as Jesus entered Jerusalem and the glory offered by God in the resurrected Christ. Today, we think about the glory we give Jesus in our lives and are reminded, in the reading of the passion narrative, that the glory we offer is not enough to save him from death. Only the glory that God bestows triumphs in the end. We are moving toward the cross where we shall see what humans did, and shall wait for what God does.

## 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.



## JOB VACANCY - CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Chalmers Presbyterian Church is currently recruiting an Office Administrator to commence employment July 2017. The Office Administrator will provide confidential administrative functions on behalf of the Church and the Minister. The successful applicant will have experience in MS Office and knowledge of Easy Worship would be an asset. The Office Administrator will work 30 hours per week and during the summer this would reduce to 20 hours per week. Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume no later than April 30, 2017 to [chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca](mailto:chalmerspresbyterian@bellnet.ca) or send by mail to: Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Attn: Yvonne Daniel, 342 Pond Mills Road, London, ON N5Z 5E1

Thank you for your ongoing food contributions to the **St. Paul's Daily Bread Program**. Seven large reusable grocery bags and two boxes of food were taken to St. Paul's Cathedral on behalf of our congregation.

### Stewardship:

A thing is better for being shared.

*Gaelic saying*



Do you know that it only costs \$125 a month to provide a fortified porridge meal five days a week for the children in Timvane Children's Centre in Malawi?

**NEW ST. JAMES - WHAT WE BELIEVE:**

*God is calling the people of New St James,  
as followers of Jesus Christ,  
to worship God and to serve the community.*

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Andrew Reid - areid@newstjames.com
<b>Clerk of Session</b>	Bruce Curtis
<b>Minister Emeritus</b>	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files
<b>Associate for Congregational Life</b>	Joanne MacPherson - jmacpherson@newstjames.com
<b>Director of Music</b>	Torin W. Chiles - tchiles@uwo.ca
<b>Choristers</b>	Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano; Jocelyn Francescut, soprano; Laura Neilsen, soprano; Shannon Wijnker, mezzo-soprano; Conlan Gassi, tenor; David Stainton, baritone
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 am - 3:30 pm - Monday to Friday
<b>Custodian</b>	Mark McDonald - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
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