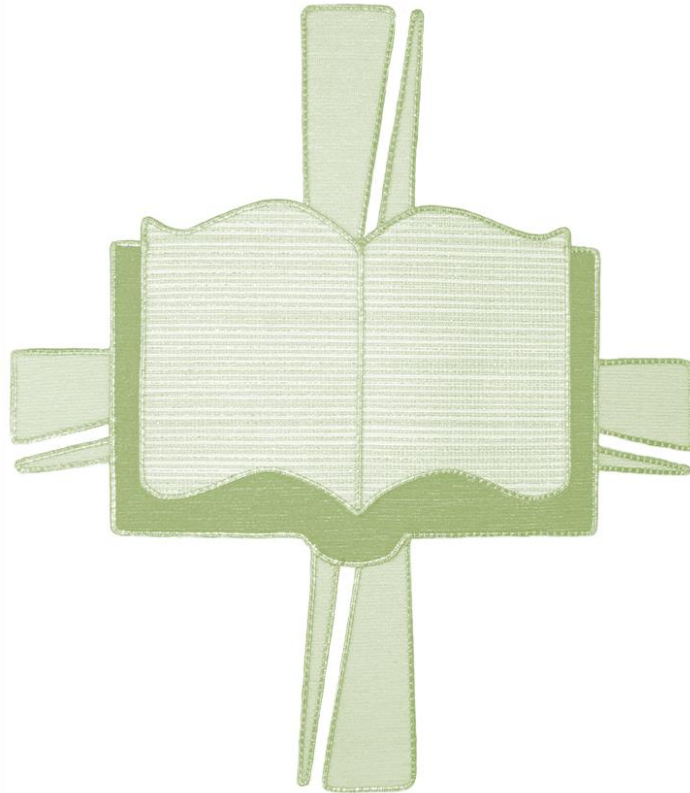


New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church

“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”

Sunday, July 9, 2017 - 10:00 am



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Marg McGugan*

Director of Music: *Charnelle Pennyfeather*

Reader: *Lyn Hill*

Welcome Team: *Volunteers*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Angie Benenati*

Nursery: *Carol Roach*

Summer Church School: *Sharon Langham*

Theme: *At the River*

Hospitality: *Lemonade*

Stewart Library: *Open every day*

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 *Arioso* G. F Handel (1685-1759)

* **Entry of the Bible**

Welcome

Call to Worship

Author of Life, you cast your glory all around us; you reveal yourself in ancient stories and the give and take of common life.

By the power of your Spirit, come to us now, for you have called us to this place.

We pray in the name of Jesus—our hope, our confidence—and your beloved Son. Amen.

* **Hymn of Praise** *Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet* 466

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Musical Offering *Waitin In The Garden* Comp Paul McIntosh
I'm waitin' in the garden, in Gethsemane. Waitin' in the garden, for my Lord to see, well I'm waitin' in the garden, in Gethsemane and I'll always find my peace with him. I'm waitin' in the garden, in Gethsemane, waitin' in the garden, by the olive tree, well I'm waitin' in the garden, in Gethsemane and I'll always find the truth with Him. **Refrain:** Love everywhere, flowers in your hair. Don't ya know there's no need to despair. Jesus Christ will show you the way.

Unison Prayer for Illumination *A Prayer for Midsummer (Bare Feet & Buttercups)*

L: We give thanks for the joy of creation: For all that is made and given; for all that we shape and create; for the springing forth of new vision.

C: We celebrate the flowering of hope. We give thanks for the fruits of the earth. We praise the goodness of growth.

L: We give thanks for the vitality of re-creation: for the times of rest and

stillness that renew us; for times of play and laughter that refresh us; for all that nourishes and restores our spirits.

C: We celebrate the flowering of hope. We give thanks for the fruits of the earth. We praise the goodness of growth.

L: We give thanks for the depth of passion: for the vision that inspires our longing; for the love that brings strength and tenderness; for all that touches our deepest core.

C: We celebrate the flowering of hope. We give thanks for the fruits of the earth. We praise the goodness of growth.

L: We give thanks for the rhythm of the seasons: for all that grows, blossoms and fades; for the seeds that are buried and spring again; for the constant renewal of life from the earth.

C: We celebrate the flowering of hope. We give thanks for the fruits of the earth. We praise the goodness of growth.

Amen.

Scripture Lesson	Job 40: 15-24	pg. 487 in O.T.
Gospel Lesson	Psalm 23	pg. 501 in N.T.
Sermon	“God’s gardens”	Marg McGugan

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of the Faith** *In the bulb there is a flower* **674**

Prayers of Concern

Offering and Offertory *Forest Green* G. F Handel (1685-1759)

* **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** *(Praise Ways) ‘Just a closer walk with thee’*
Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus is my plea; daily walking close to Thee, let it be dear Lord, let it be. I am weak but Thou art strong. Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I’ll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee. Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee. When my feeble life is o’er, time for me will be no

more; Guide me gently, safely, o'er to Thy kingdom's shore, to Thy shore.

* **Commission and Response**

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* **Benediction**

Postlude

The Glory of God in Nature

L. Beethoven (1770-1827)



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.

NOTE FROM THE MINISTER

Cathy and I are on vacation in Scotland from June 26 until July 18, visiting family and attending (and in my case conducting) the wedding of my niece. Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton is available in pastoral emergencies—call 519-438-3492.

Office hours during the summer are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30am-3:30pm.

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



For those persons who were not contacted by email, 2017-2018 schedules for Scripture Readers, Hall Shepherds and Welcome Teams have been placed in your mail slot across from the church office.

Please note that on Sundays July 2 up to and including September 3 the Worship Service begins at 10:00 am.



Outreach flyers are located at each entrance of the church. This flyer includes our continued programming for the summer plus lots of "save the dates" for the Fall. Please pick up several and share with family, friends and neighbours!

Help PWS&D respond to hunger in Southeast Africa. **Please make your cheque out to New St James Presbyterian Church and in your memo line indicate "South Sudan".** Together, we can make a difference.

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.



The Ark Aid Street Mission, Inc has been receiving excess produce from Costco—food that might have defective packaging or one 'bad' item in the package. *The Ark* was picking up thousands of dollars worth of good food each week which they shared with their food partners. However, Costco's corporate policy required such food to be collected in a refrigerated truck which *The Ark* did not have. The City's and Province's response to help purchase such a truck "has been

something to behold”. These officials see how injecting fresh food into our food security programs will benefit potentially thousands in the community. To read more about this initiative, please see the Newsletter posted on the pin board outside the office. You will be interested to know that New St. James’ *Thomas Kent Trust Fund* supports **The Ark**.

Do you remember the “Good Soils” initiative in which we participated last Fall by sending pre-printed postcards to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau? Please see the pin board for the overwhelming response. Thank you for participating!

Reminder to all members of the congregation to keep saving pop can tabs: We sent in a whopping 55 lbs just before Christmas and since then have sent another 14 lbs and have 8 more lbs ready to send. Thank you to everyone who saves these tabs. They really are a wonderful help for folks who need special wheelchairs and strollers. Ask your friends and relatives to save them also. Please place them in the closet in the Nursery on the bottom shelf. Many thanks!!



Many thanks to those who contribute used postage stamps to the Canadian Bible Society boxes located at church entrances. 10 lbs of stamps equals approximately 5 Bibles for distribution in prisons. Keep saving those stamps!

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