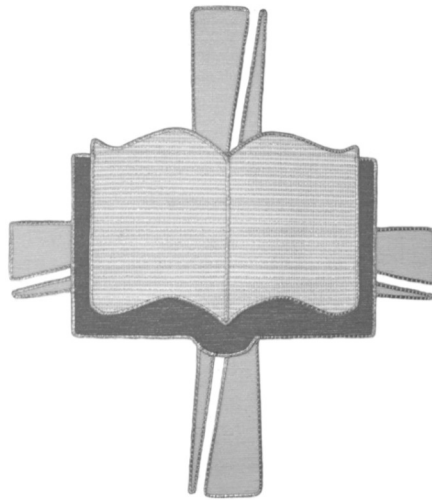


New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church
Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 10:30am
We Gather to Worship God



SERVING YOU TODAY

Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. David Thompson

Music Leader: Torin Chiles

Reader: Jennifer Whitworth

Welcome Team: Ernva Marshall, Ann McClatchey, Pat & Jeanine Taylor, Susan Vallas

Counters: Jim Hoskin, Ann McClatchey, Ian McCrimmon

Hall Shepherd: Bob Baron

Nursery: Sharon Langham

Church School: Teachers - Deb Noble-Van Hees and Karen Baron

Hospitality: Indonesian Families

Stewart Library: Open every Sunday

Note to Visitors: Church School at New St. James starts at 10:30am, 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.

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*** Please stand, if able**

Prelude Wake, Oh Wake (*Wachet Auf*) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

* **Trumpet Fanfare for Entry of the Bible** (*please stand, if able*)

* **Processional Hymn # 15** *The Lord's my light* (St. Magnus)

* **Welcome to New St. James** (*please turn and greet one another*)

Call to Worship

L: We come to God who is our Author. We have come to earth through God's agency and will. We discover ourselves to be alive and sentient beings, in need of love and connection in order to thrive. We also discover that we are restless until we find our rest in God. May we find that Blessed Rest here today.

C: **God you have searched us and known us. You know when we sit down and rise up. You discern our thoughts from far away. You are acquainted with all our ways. Thank-you for loving us Your creatures. May we live into Your image! Amen.**

Introit *Seek Ye First The Kingdom Of God* K. Lafferty (©1973); arr. J. Wilson (©1976)
Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness. And all these things shall be added unto you, Alleluia! Take no thought what tomorrow will bring, what ye shall eat or drink, for He knows you have need of all these things, Alleluia! [Matthew 6:33]

Prayer of Approach

Our loving God we approach Your throne with awe. We did not make ourselves. We sometimes need you to rescue us from the choices that we make. We would be free today to be as You created us: capable, caring compassionate beings who love before they act. Forgive us when we do not love. Amen

Words of Assurance

God loves us, sees us as we are, is compassionate and is desirous of our good. God forgives shortcomings and failures and deliberate sins. God is able. Amen.

We Hear the Word of God

Solo *Safe Within Your Arms*

M. Hayes (©2000)

Whether I'm right or whether I'm wrong, whether I'm weak or whether I'm strong, whether I'm sure or maybe confused, feeling loved or feeling used: I know a place where I can go, somewhere that winter winds don't blow, there I am warmed by loving arms, held with care next to Your heart. *And I'm safe within Your arms, Lord. I've become a child again. I've come back to the source of love, where healing can begin. Though the world would say I must be strong and prove my worth by what I do, I will rest assured in Your embrace and find my strength in You.* Whether I'm walking in the light, or whether I'm stumbling in the night, You are a God whose promise endures; though undeserved, Your love is sure. When I am tempted to pursue plans that may lead me far away from You, gently You call, "my child, come home. I will never let go of one of My own." *And I'm safe within Your arms, Lord...*

Unison Prayer for Illumination

In Scripture we often see ourselves when we hold it up as a mirror to our lives. May we understand that when we see the shortcomings of others that we can choose to turn the floodlight upon ourselves and then confess our need of Your healing. Heal us from the Scripture, in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

First Lesson

2 Kings 5: 1-14

Pg. 336 in O.T.

Responsive Reading Psalm 107: 10-16

L: Some sat in darkness and in gloom, prisoners in misery and in irons,

C: for they had rebelled against the words of God, and spurned the counsel of the Most High.

L: Their hearts were bowed down with hard labor; they fell down, with no one to help.

C: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;

L: he brought them out of darkness and gloom, and broke their bonds asunder.

C: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

L: For he shatters the doors of bronze, and cuts in two the bars of iron.

*** 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 Romans 8: 22-28

Pg. 158 in N.T.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 6: 25-33

Pg. 6 in N.T.

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Before You I Kneel*

K. Getty & S. Townsend (©2012);

arr. M. Mc Donald (©2014) Quoting *Wachet Auf* by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Before You I kneel my Master and Maker, to offer the work of my hands, for this is the day You've given Your servant; I will rejoice and be glad for the strength I have to live and breathe, for each skill Your grace has given to me, for the needs and opportunities that will glorify Your great name. Before You I kneel and ask for Your goodness to cover the work of my hands, for patience and peace to shape all my labour, Your grace for thorns in my path. Flow within me like a living stream, wear away the stones of pride and greed, 'til You ways are dwelling deep in me and a harvest of life is grown. Before You I kneel, our Master and Maker; establish the work of our hands, and order our steps to seek first Your kingdom in every small and great task. May we live the gospel of Your grace, serve Your purpose in our fleeting days. Then our lives will bring eternal praise, and all glory to Your great name!

Sermon: "Making happy judgements!"

Rev. Dr. David Thompson

Service of Holy Baptism

*** Hymn # 515** *Out of deep, unordered water* (Balgemann)
(After the hymn please remain standing)

*** The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Baptism of George Jeffrey Lobodzinsky

Questions about faith for the parents:

Minister: Who is your Lord and Saviour?

Parents: Jesus Christ.

Minister: Do you trust in him?

Parents: We do

Minister: Do you intend your child to be his disciple, to obey his teachings and show His love?

Parents: We do

Question for the congregation: Our Lord Jesus Christ ordered us to teach those who are baptised. Do you the people of New St. James promise to tell this new disciple the good news of Jesus Christ, to help him know all that Christ commands and by your fellowship to strengthen this family's ties with this congregation and the Church of Jesus Christ?

Congregation: We do

Prayer: Dear God as we baptise with water, baptise us with Holy Spirit. Bless Little George we pray and fill his life with happiness and joy. As your disciple, make him a blessing to the world. Amen.

The Naming

Water is poured audibly and visibly into the font - Bruce Curtis, Clerk of the Session

The Baptism

Declaration

Unison Prayer

Dear God, Bless us, as we bless this child and commend him to Your service. Amen.

Aaronic Blessing # 619 *The Lord bless you* (Choir and Congregation)

The welcoming by the congregation!

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of Faith # 315** *A mighty Fortress is our God* (Ein' Feste Burg)

Prayers for the World and New St. James

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is 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 *Prière Internationale* P. de Geyter (1848-1932)

Hortons vs Starbucks Update: Total raised as of September 15th **\$4,035.35**

* **Doxology**

* **Dedication of Offering**

Our Church Family Together

Announcements

Story

Prayer for the World and New St. James

* **Hymn # 386** *Come down, O Love divine*(Down Ampney)

* **Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude *Marche Triomphale (Nun Danket)* S. Karg-Elert (1877-1933)



FRAGRANCE FREE ZONE

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. Thank you.

**FALL GARAGE AND RUMMAGE SALE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19th, 9:30am-12:00 noon**

Women's Council hopes that you are all busy getting your donations ready for the fall sale. We are ready to accept these donations now until Friday the 18th of October. Please remember to donate articles that are clean and useable. Please no magazines, old style TVs, old style monitors. We would like jewelry, good clean clothing, linens, shoes, purses, books, household items, gift items, small furniture, small working appliances, lamps, toys and other general garage sale items. Please plan to help sort the merchandise on Thursday, October 17 and Friday, the 18th and plan to help sell on the 19th. Please let Karen Buchwald or Deb Van Hees know if you can help.

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

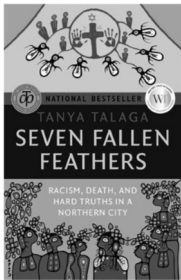
Monday, September 23	7:00pm	AA
	6:30 pm	Bible Study
Tuesday, September 24	10:00am	Seniors' Activity Day
	10:30am	Lectionary Bible Study
	5:00pm	Jr. Amabile
	7:00pm	Session
Wednesday, September 25	9:30am	Childreach (indoor playground)
Thursday, September 26	1:30pm	Al-Anon
	7:30pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
	7:30pm	Al-Anon
Friday, September 27	7:30pm	AA
Sunday, September 22	10:30am	Worship Service
	3:30pm	CCNC

ENVIRO STEWARDSHIP

The Council of Canadians is hosting a summit titled “Water Justice in a Climate Emergency,” which will bring together people and groups across Michigan, Ontario and First Nations who are working for water justice throughout the Great Lakes Basin. Honorary Chairperson **Maude Barlow** will be a keynote speaker, alongside water advocates like **Lela George**, an Indigenous activist from Oneida Nation; **Claire McClinton**, a labour leader from Flint, Michigan, and **Holly T. Bird**, an attorney and former judge. The Summit is open to the public on Saturday September 28. **The summit registration is free and open now. Sign up to attend this event today.**

SENIORS' ACTIVITY DAY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

The Seniors' Activity Day continues Tuesday, Sept. 24th at 10:00am. We'll begin the morning with coffee and goodies and then play our favourite games: euchre, dominoes and UNO. If you have a new game for us to try, bring it along. For the more energetic, there's always shuffleboard. Come and socialize and we'll wrap things up at 3:00pm. **Free lunch from Subway will be provided!**



NSJ BOOK CLUB MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 AT 1:30PM

The New St James Book Club will meet on **September 30 at 1:30pm in the Stewart Library**. This month we will be reading *Seven Fallen Feathers* by Tanya Talaga — a Canadian author telling the stories of First Nation high school students who travel to Thunder Bay to attend high school. Copies of *Seven Fallen Feathers* are available in the Stewart Library. **Everyone is welcome to join the conversation.**

BONNIE MARCACCIO IS RETIRING!

After serving as New St. James' casual Office Administrator for 20 years, Bonnie has decided to retire! We have been truly blessed by Bonnie's expertise, her good nature, availability and familiarity with the position. We are especially grateful that Bonnie stayed for an additional four months in the fall of 2017, while we recruited for Janet Hisey's replacement, after already working July and August and then Bonnie also provided orientation for Judi in January.

If you would like to contribute to a gift to thank Bonnie for her faithfulness and many contributions to New St. James, please forward your donation to Judi Le Blanc by September 29.

**FROM THE WORSHIP /MUSIC COMMITTEE
AND THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

You are invited to a special coffee hour on **Sunday September 29** to express New St. James' thanks and appreciation to the Choir and our Church Staff, Torin Chiles, Judi Le Blanc, Mark Mc Donald and Bonnie Marcaccio. We will also be celebrating Torin's 15 years of service as New St. James' Director of Music. So mark your calendars for **September 29** and come out to express your thanks and appreciation while enjoying some great cake!

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.



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.



Committed to Serving

For over 90 years, Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre has offered empowering, supportive programs and services to the community of Little Burgundy in south-west Montreal. As one of the few English community centers in the city, Tyndale's programs include early literacy programs for preschoolers, after-school programming and day camps for school-aged children and life-skills training for adults. Located in an area that faces challenges related to poverty and a high concentration of single-parent families, the center is committed to ensuring that each member of the community has the opportunity and skills needed to realize their full potential.

Presbyterians Sharing helps people realize their full potential

COUNTERS NEEDED!



Counters needed and if you can spare a few minutes one Sunday each month please sign up in the NSJ Hall or contact Frank Walsh 519-850-0139. No accounting skills required, will provide training.



NSJ NEWSLETTER

Pick up the newest copy of the NSJ Newsletter. They are available at the doors of the Sanctuary.

STEWARDSHIP:

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8

New St. James Presbyterian Church

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Interim Minister	The Rev. Dr. David Thompson minister@newstjames.com
Clerk of Session	Bruce Curtis
Ministers Emeritus	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files and Rev. Andrew Reid
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