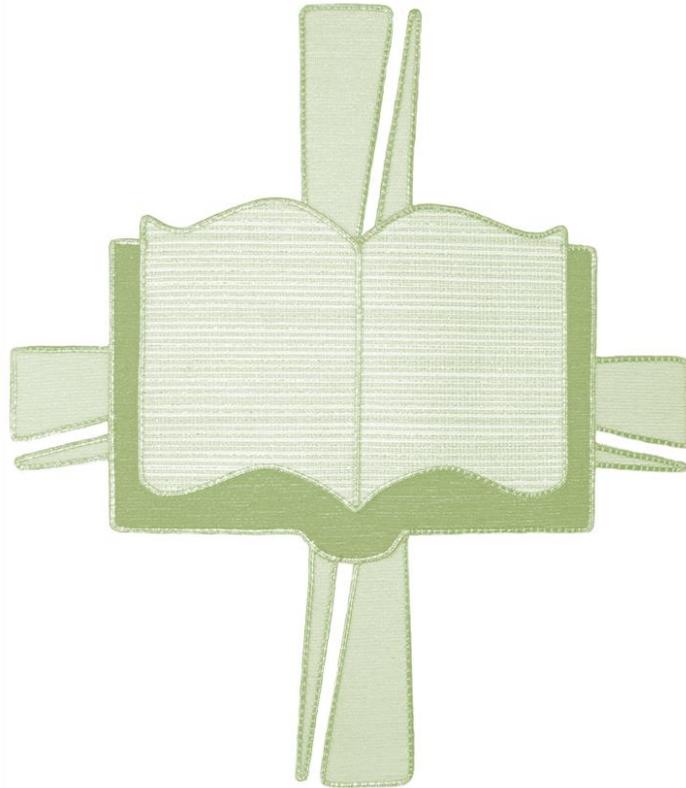


# New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church

“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”

Sunday, September 10, 2017 - 10:30 am



## Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*

Reader: *Gabor Sass*

Welcome Team: *Tracey Boivin, Jim & Dolores Hunter,  
Ken & Liz Robbins, Pat & Jeanine Taylor*

Counters: *Pat Goud, Ken & Liz Robbins, Jennifer Whitworth*

Hall Shepherd: *Pat Goud*

Nursery: *Katia Langham, Sharon Langham*

Church School: *Marg McGugan, Deb Noble-Van Hees, Cathy Reid*

Hospitality: *Human Resources*

Stewart Library: *Open every day*

**A Note for Visitors:** Church School at New St. James starts at 10:30 am, 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.

**\*Please stand, if able**

## We Gather to Worship God

**Prelude**                      *Sheep May Safely Graze*                      J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

\* **Entry of the Bible**

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

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

L: How good it is to be in the company of God's people once again!

C: **How good it is to gather in this house of worship!**

L: Here we may reconnect with the deep things of life and of faith.

C: **Here we may offer praise and prayer  
to the God who is the centre of all being.**

L: So, as God's faithful people gathered here, let us worship God together!

**Introit**                      *Worship God With Music*                      Natalie Sleeth (©2011)

Worship God with music! Let it fill the air! Make a mighty chorus echo everywhere! Worship God with music! Creatures great and small, bow in adoration, thanks for blessings all! Make a joyful, joyful noise – let the organ sound! Tell the goodness of the Lord everywhere around! Worship God with music, notes and harmony! Glory, hallelujah to the Deity!

**Prayers of Approach and Confession**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Anthem**                      *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place*                      Mary Lynn Lightfoot (©1997)

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul ever longs for the house of the Lord and my heart sings for joy. The children take refuge in the shadow of Thy wings. They feast on the pleasures of Thy house and drink from the river of delight. For with Thee is the fountain of life; and in Thy light do we see light. Oh send out Thy light and Thy truth and let them lead me. Let them bring me to Thy holy hill and to Thy dwelling! How lovely is Thy dwelling place...!

### **Unison Prayer for Illumination**

As your word is read and preached, O God, open our minds to increase our understanding, and our hearts to bind us together in your service, in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

### **Responsive Psalm 111**

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!  
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- <sup>2</sup> **Great are the works of the Lord,  
studied by all who delight in them.**
- <sup>3</sup> Full of honour and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- <sup>4</sup> **He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;  
the Lord is gracious and merciful.**
- <sup>5</sup> He provides food for those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- <sup>6</sup> **He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**
- <sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy.
- <sup>8</sup> **They are established for ever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**
- <sup>9</sup> He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant for ever.  
Holy and awesome is his name.
- <sup>10</sup> **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practise it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures for ever.**

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### **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.

### **Gospel Lesson**

Luke 15:1-10

pg. 78 in N.T.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

**“Go ye, go ye...”**

Rev. Andrew Reid

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

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### **Hymn of the Faith**

*Morning has broken (Bunessan)*

814

### **Prayers of Concern**

**Offering and Offertory** *Jesus Loves Me*

arr. G. Young (©1990)

\* **Doxology**

**830**

\* **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

### **Announcements**

**Anthem** *Who Will Teach The Children?* Anna Laura Page (©2013)  
*Who will teach the children, shape their hearts and minds? Who will guide their feet along the way? Who will teach the children, guard their souls from sin? Commit them to the Father when you pray. Love the Lord with all your soul and strength; love the Lord with all your heart. Love your neighbour as you love yourself; from these commands do not depart. Will you teach the children...? Let the morning bring word of Your love, for I have placed my trust in You. Teach me Your will, Lord, for You are my God; may Your Spirit guide my heart to truth. We will teach the children...*

### **Our Church Family Together - Church School Commissioning**

#### **Church School Promotion**

*Michael Malone, Darcy Wijnker*

#### **Church School Commissioning**

##### **Preamble**

##### **QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION:**

Minister: Our Church School teachers and leaders have a vital role in the nurturing of faith in children and adults. Will you support them with prayer, encouragement, interest and compassion?

RESPONSE: **We will!**

##### **QUESTIONS TO MEMBERS OF THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE, TEACHERS AND LEADERS:**

MINISTER: God has called you to be teachers and leaders, and we recognize your gifts. Will you commit yourself cheerfully to this calling? Will you prepare carefully to teach and lead? And will you pray with and for the students in your care?

RESPONSE: **We will!**

##### **QUESTIONS TO STUDENTS IN CHURCH SCHOOL AND THE TEEN GROUP:**

MINISTER: You are a vital part of New St James. Will you do your best to learn from your teachers and leaders? Will you work with them? And will you help them as they help you?

RESPONSE: **We will!**



**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.

*During the service today and afterwards, we will say goodbye to Janet Hisey, our Administrator, as she and her family move away from the area.*

### **THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES**

<b>Monday, September 11</b>	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Financial Task Force
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, September 12</b>	10:00 am	Activity Day at NSJ
	10:30 am	Lectionary Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Junior Amabile Singers
	7:00 pm	Highland
	7:00 pm	Presbytery (Elmwood Ave PC)
<b>Wednesday, September 13</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
	6:00 pm	Opera Concert Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Junior Youth
<b>Thursday, September 14</b>	9:30 am	Mom's Group
	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, September 15</b>	5:30 pm	Little London Community Opera
	7:00 pm	Opera Concert
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Saturday, September 16</b>	10:00 am	Little London Community Opera
	6:30 pm	Session Dinner
	7:00 pm	Opera Concert
<b>Sunday, September 17</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service
	3:30 pm	CCNC

Check out our latest event flyer at church entrances. It contains all you need to know about upcoming events at NSJ. Please share with family, friends and neighbours!

### **LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY**

**Tuesday, September 12 10:30 am**

Please join us Tuesdays at 10:30 am until noon. Our new format will be discussing the sermon and Scripture readings each week.

### **HIGHLAND GROUP**

**Tuesday, September 12 7:00 pm**

Highland will meet in the parlour for worship and a business meeting followed by refreshments and a social time. Bring along your summer stories and pictures from holidays. For further information, please contact Karen Buchwald.

### **RETIREMENT EVENTS FOR REV. ANDREW REID**

**Saturday, September 16, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.** Catered Session Dinner for Elders and spouses/partners. Please confirm your attendance and pay \$25.00 per person to Mary Lou McCrimmon.

**Sunday, October 15, 2017, at 4:30 p.m.** Congregational Potluck Dinner to honour Rev. Reid on his retirement. Mark your calendar, and detailed arrangements for food contributions will posted soon.

### **NSJ BOOK CLUB**

**Monday, September 25 1:30 pm**

The Book Club will meet at the home of Pat Shaver. The September book selection is *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen. For more information call Pat.

### **REAL FAITH**

**Thursday, September 28 8:00 pm**

Are you between the ages of 18 and 30? Curious about your life, faith and the world? Keen to connect with other young adults? Join us Thursday, September 28 at Westmount Presbyterian Church. Together we will explore some of the big questions and topics that we encounter as we seek to follow Jesus in the world today. Real conversation, real people, real faith. A joint venture between Westmount and Knox, St. Thomas Presbyterian Churches open to anyone in the Presbytery of London ages 18 to 30. Led by Rev. Jeffrey, Rev. Mavis and friends. 8-9pm at Westmount PC, 521 Village Green Ave, London (beside Westmount mall). Questions? Please contact Joanne at NSJ.

**EYE KNOW Trivia Night**  
**Friday, September 29 6:30-10:00 pm**

Trivia night at NSJ! Teams of up to 8 people. Tickets are \$15. Prizes, fun, food and draws. All money will benefit New St. James Church and Team Licensed Optician on this year's project to Nicaragua and El Salvador. To register call the office or email: [opticianoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:opticianoutreach@gmail.com). ONLY room for 20 teams!

**GARAGE AND RUMMAGE SALE**  
**Saturday, October 14 9:30-noon**

Just a reminder that we have a sale this fall and would appreciate your donations.



PINT SEALERS and HALF PINT SEALERS along with their lids if possible are needed for preserves being made for our upcoming Vendor Sale in November. Please leave them in the lower kitchen or call Karen Buchwald for pick up.

Many thanks for all of the pop tabs. There are now 40 pounds more to be picked up and we are saving for the 48th wheelchair. Your help is appreciated.

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT**

The women of New St James are asked to mark the evening of Monday, December 4 on their calendars for the seventh annual Advent by Candlelight Service. This very special evening for women will prepare us for the Advent and Christmas seasons in a very meaningful and inspirational way with a special time of music and worship. All women are invited to attend the worship service, which will begin in the sanctuary at 7:40 pm.

Prior to the worship service, fellowship and dessert will be offered in the NSJ Hall, with tables individually decorated by the hostesses to reflect our Christmas theme. If you would like to be a guest at the dessert/fellowship time, please call one of the ladies mentioned below.

Donations received at the service will be forwarded to "ANOVA" (formerly Women's Community House) to support their services. ANOVA works to alleviate the consequences of violence against women and their children, with the aim of preventing and eliminating family violence.

For further information, please contact Karen Baron, Angie Benenati, Maureen Jamieson, Marg McGugan, Deb Noble-Van Hees, Cathy Reid or Monica Sass.

**Stewardship:**

Generosity could be as contagious as the zombie plague as long as enough people were willing to be carriers.

*Jonathan Maberry (1958 - ), author,  
editor, playwright, writing teacher*

Please note: Church office hours this week are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. Beginning September 11, office hours will be Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

**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.



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