

# New St. James Presbyterian Church

**A Mission Church**

**“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”**

**Sunday, March 11, 2018 - 10:30 am**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *The Rev. Dr. David Thompson*

Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*

Reader: *Mike Ruggi*

Welcome Team: *Tim Van Hees, June Colwell, David Colwell, Jr., Ellen Faubert,  
Jeff Goud, Pat Goud, Keith McCreary*

Counters: *Ellen Faubert, Jennifer Whitworth*

Hall Shepherd: *Ann McClatchey*

Nursery: *Katharine Brandon, Nancy Roach*

Church School: *Telly Lenkey, Sonya Malone*

Hospitality: *Session*

Stewart Library: *Open every day*



## We Hear the Word of God

**Anthem** *Sing Out With Splendour*

J.M. Martin (©2000)

*Sing out with splendour to God, our creator. We are the instruments He is is the song. He fills each heart with the joy of salvation. Sing out with joy, with praise loud and strong. Sing out with splendour, with great exultation. Shout unto God, all His praises proclaim. Let now the songs of the ones He created sound forth in splendour, rejoice in His name. Alleluia, praise the Lord with thanksgiving. Alleluia, praise the Lord and rejoice. Let the people rejoice. Let the people sing alleluia, singing as one mighty voice. Sing out with splendour...*

**Unison prayer for illumination**

Lord God give us hearts to sing when we are in the dumps of Life. Open our ears to hear how this is done from what has been written for us. As the example of the saints shines out let us emulate them. May their faith be ours in YOU our gracious Loving God. Please speak to us from Scripture. Amen

**First Lesson** Nehemia 12:46-47

**Pg. 442 in O.T.**

**Responsive Psalm 137:1-4**

L: By the rivers of Babylon - there we sat down and there we wept when we remembered Zion.

**C: On the willows there we hung up our harps.**

L: For there our captors asked us for songs, and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying, 'Sing us one of the songs of Zion!'

**C: How could we sing the LORD'S song in a foreign land?**

\* **Gloria Patri**

**Epistle Acts** 16:25-34

**Pg. 136 in N.T.**

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 6:43-45

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

L: This is the gospel of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Anthem:** *How Can I Keep From Singing?* attributed to R. Lowry (1826-1899);  
arr. T Chiles (©2005)

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation I hear the sweet though far off hymn that hails the 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 roar? The Lord, my Saviour, liveth. What though the darkness gathers round? Song in the night He giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while in that refuge clinging; since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth – how can I keep from singing? I lift mine eyes, the cloud grows thin, I see the blue above it; and day by day this pathway smooths since first I learned to love it. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing. All things are mine since I am His – how can I keep from singing?

**Sermon:** “Don’t let anybody steal your song!”

## We Respond in Faith and Service

\* **Hymn of Faith** *O servants of God* (LAUDATE DOMINUM) **459**

**Prayers for the World**

**Offering and Offertory** *I Sing A Song Of Love And Hope (Dove Of Peace)*  
D.P. Dahl (©2010)

\* **Doxology** **830**

\* **Dedication of Offering**

## Our Church Family Together

**Announcements**

**Story**

**Prayers for New St. James**

**Lords Prayer**

**Hymn** *You that know the Lord is gracious* (ABBOT'S LEIGH) **470**

**\* Commissioning and Benediction**

**Threefold Amen**

**Postlude** *"We've no less days to sing God's praise..."* (New Britain)

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**Quote for the Week**

"Walk with the dreamers, the believers, the courageous, the cheerful, the planners, the doers, the successful people with their heads in the clouds and their feet on the ground. Let their spirit ignite a fire within you to leave this world better than when you found it..."  
— **Wilferd Peterson**

**THERE ARE STILL SOTS OPEN for Vacation Bible Camp starting tomorrow **March 12-16.** Early drop off time at 8:30 am. Camp time from 9-12 pm. Ages JK to Grade 6. Cost is \$5.00 per child. We are also looking for helpers during VBS week. If you are handy at making a mess, come out. See you there!**

Created by GOD, built for a purpose



**Notice of Session Meeting and Report Deadline**

Session will hold its regular March Meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in New St. James Hall. All Committee Convenors are requested to have their reports submitted to Judi Le Blanc no later than Tuesday, March 13, 2018, so that the Session Agenda and Report package can be prepared for distribution on Thursday, March 15, 2018.

**Ladies:** our next **Highland meeting is Tues. March 13 at 7PM** upstairs in the Parlour. Looking forward to our always fun Dutch Auction.

Ariel Harwood-Jones' group, **Kammerchor London**, will be presenting another concert for their Musical Meditation series on March 14. Special guests, the Windermere String Quartet, will play selections from Haydn's *Seven Last Words of Christ*, followed by Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater* for two women's voices, sung by Ariel and her long time friend and colleague, Tannis Sprott. Come for an hour of musical reflection for the Lenten season. Donations accepted at the door.

**Presbyterian Wide Volleyball Tournament on Thursday, March 22, 7:00-9:00 pm. Grades 9-12 at Lord Elgin Public School.** Please contact Joanne at the church if you are able to come!

The New St. James **Book Club** will be reading ***Nineteen Minutes*** by Jodi Picoult in March. Extra copies from the London Public Library are available in the Stewart Library. Books must be returned by Sunday, March 25.



## **Liftoff Evangelism Network**

Imagine what it would be like if each congregation in The Presbyterian Church in Canada was intentional about equipping their members to share their faith and to invite others to experience the fullness of life in Christ? Supported by gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*, Canadian Ministries is spearheading a program to turn this dream into a reality. In October 2017, five congregational leaders from across the country gathered to learn more about evangelism and to begin crafting the first stages of projects to take back to their congregations. These leaders will be supported through one-on-one coaching as they begin their work in evangelism over the next year. This meeting between leaders is a first step towards developing a network that will support a culture of evangelism in local congregations across Canada.

*Presbyterians Sharing equips congregations for evangelism*

### **GARAGE AND RUMMAGE SALE, April 7, 9:30 - 12:00 noon**

Time for spring cleaning! Please set aside your unwanted clothing, household items including linens and kitchen items, toys, books, jewelry etc. to donate to our spring sale. **We will be sorting on April 5 and 6.** Please mark these dates on your calendars and offer to help one day or all three!

A friend of Rev. Andrew Reid is looking for accommodation - either a granny flat or a house to sit - from May to August, for herself, her husband and their one-year-old daughter. If you have or know of a suitable place, please let Andrew know: [admreid@rogers.com](mailto:admreid@rogers.com) or [519.204.7406](tel:519.204.7406)

### THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

<b>Monday, March 12</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, March 13</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	10:00 am	Activity Day @ NSJ (cards & pizza in Parlour)
	7:00 pm	Highland
	7:00 pm	Presbytery (Trinity)
<b>Wednesday, March 14</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	7:30 pm	Kammerchor Concert
	<i>Note: No Junior Youth this month due to One Day Wonder</i>	
<b>Thursday, March 15</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	1:30 pm	AI-Anon
	7:30 pm	AI-Anon
	7:30pm	NSJ Choir Practice
<b>Friday, March 16</b>	9:00am	VBC
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Saturday, March 17</b>	7:00 pm	London Korean Bible Study
<b>Sunday, March 18</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service with Camp Kintail
	3:30 pm	CCNC

**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.

**Stewardship:**

Take care of yourself — you never know when the world will need you.

*Rabbi Hillel (BC 110 – AD 10),  
scholar, sage, religious leader*

**The Stewart Library:**

Copies of the March/April/May Our Daily Bread are available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside New St. James Hall, at no charge.

## New St. James Presbyterian Church

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