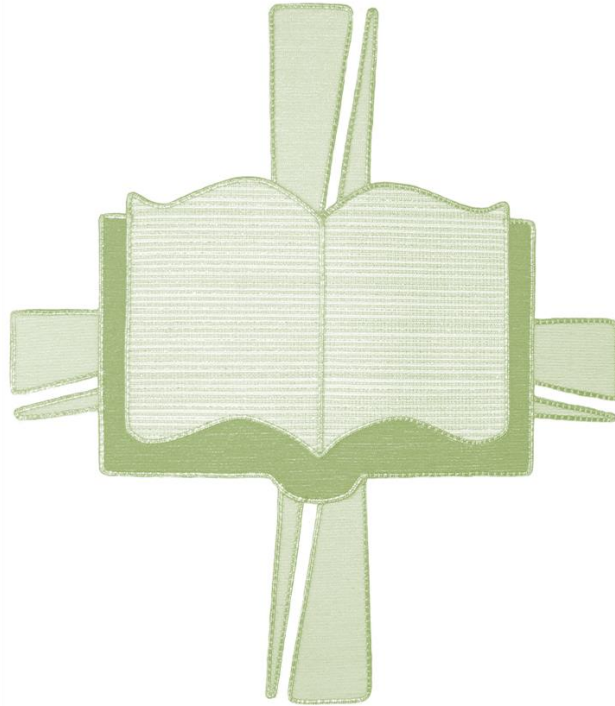


NewSt.JamesChurch
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”
The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Sunday, February 12, 2017 - 10:30 am



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Pat Goud*

Welcome Team: *Bruce Curtis & Pat Ferries, Mary Jean Dodge, Jim Hoskin,
George Rendell, Dee-Ann Vickers, Johanis Weydekamp*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Janet Hines*

Nursery: *Sonya Malone, Cathy Taylor*

Church School: *Karen Baron, Cathy Reid, Monica Sass*

Hospitality: *Women's Council*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

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 *Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether (Union Seminary)*
H. Friedell (1905-1958); arr. R. Lind (©2004)

* **Entry of the Bible**

* **Processional Hymn** *The church's one foundation (Aurelia)* **479**

Call to Worship

L: God calls us to be one with God and with God's creation.

C: **May we respond in love, in faithfulness,
and in truth as we worship God together.**

Introit *Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether (Union Seminary)*
H. Friedell (1905-1958)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in Your name, two or three are met together, You are in the midst of them. Hallelujah! Touch we now Your garment's hem. [text: P. Dearmer (1867-1936)]

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Anthem *Just As I Am* B. Chilcott (©1995)
Just as I am, without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me, and that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, (Thy love unknown has broken every barrier down;) now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth and height to prove, here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come. [text: Charlotte Elliot (1789-1871)]

Unison Prayer for Illumination

God whose way is blameless, may we hear your Word to us, so that we may walk in your ways as co-workers in your kingdom. Amen.

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

pg. 186 in O.T.

Responsive Psalm 119:1-8

- ¹ Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
- ² **Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,**
- ³ who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways.
- ⁴ **You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.**
- ⁵ O that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
- ⁶ **Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**
- ⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.
- ⁸ **I will observe your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.**

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Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Second Lesson

I Corinthians 3:1-9

pg. 167 in N.T.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Solo

Make Me Pure, O Sacred Spirit

G. Telemann (1681-1767)

Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano

Make me pure, O sacred Spirit, touch my heart, my voice restore. Break, O godly Guest, my silence, help my speaking, help my witness, 'til this voice can speak no more!

Sermon

“What does it mean to choose life???”

Rev. Andrew Reid

We Respond in Faith and Service

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Hymn of the Faith

When voices are confusing (Wolvercote)

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Prayers of Concern

Offering and Offertory *Draw Us In The Spirit's Tether (Union Seminary)*
H. Friedell (1905-1958); arr. J. Biery (©1996)

* **Doxology** **830**

* **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

Announcements

Our Church Family Together

The Lord's Prayer Inside cover of Book of Praise

* **Hymn of Discipleship** *Seek ye first* **625**

* **Commission and Response** *Sing Amen* **264**

* **Benediction**

Postlude *Christus, Der Uns Selig Macht*
(Christ, Who Makes Us Blessed) G. Telemann (1681-1767)

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.

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

Monday, February 13	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study AA
Tuesday, February 14	10:00 am 10:30 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Activity Day@NSJ Lectionary Study Creative Hands Junior Amabile Singers Highland Presbytery (Dutton)
Wednesday, February 15	9:30 am 7:30 pm	Indoor Playground Musical Meditations
Thursday, February 16	1:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Al-Anon Senior Youth Tubing (St. Lawrence PC) Al-Anon NSJ Choir Rehearsal
Friday, February 17	7:30 pm	AA
Sunday, February 18	10:30 am 3:30 pm	Worship Service CCNC

The Annual Meeting will take place immediately following the worship service. Please join us for a luncheon in NSJ Hall following the meeting.

Please pick up your **2016 Income Tax receipt** and **2016 Annual Report** in the narthex.

PRESBYTERY YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

Tonight 6:30-7:30 pm

All youth are invited for worship at Chalmers Presbyterian Church (342 Pond Mills Road). Light refreshments to follow. ALL welcome!

The CREATIVE HANDS group meets Tuesday afternoons to make feminine hygiene kits to go to Malawi. If you can pin, rip, cut, iron, fold, sew or serge, please consider joining us between 1:00 and 3:00 pm in an upstairs classroom. **We are still in need of an ironing board and a serger.**

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

MUSICAL MEDITATIONS **Wednesday, February 15 7:30 pm**

Musical Meditations presents classical church music based on the liturgical year to complement your faith practices. Come and listen to a live performance by trained professionals and students, singers and instrumentalists. The musicians will perform Bach's Cantatas: *Ich bin vergnügt mit meinem Glücke* (BWV 84), and *Nimm, was dein ist, und gehe hin* (BWV 144) with eight singers accompanied by organ and three violins. Take 30 minutes out of your busy day and listen to music that will touch your soul and fill your spirit. Free-will offering. For more information, please speak to Ariel Harwood-Jones.

PRESBYTERY SENIOR YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS EVENT **Thursday, February 16 6:00 pm**



Snow tubing for young people ages 14-25 at River Valley Golf Course and Winter Tube Slide in St. Marys. **Please note changes to the upcoming tubing event:** New group price \$12 plus taxes. New meeting location - Carpooling from St. Lawrence PC at 6 pm. Pick up from St. Lawrence at 9:30 pm (or shortly after). Please eat dinner before coming and bring \$ for snacks.

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT @ NSJ! **Friday, February 24 6:30-8:30 pm**

Featuring "The Muppet Movie". There will be a free will offering and snacks are available for purchase. Everyone welcome!



YOUTH "SOUPER" FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 26 11:30 am

Following worship, please join us for a yummy lunch of soups and desserts. Free will offering. All proceeds going to NSJ youth to attend Camp Kintail and One Day Wonder. Would you like to donate a crockpot of soup or squares? (If you do....no charge for your lunch!!) Youth and their parents are helping out but we need extras. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet that is located on the bulletin board outside the office. Many thanks for your support!

NSJ Fundraising

Please mark these dates on your calendar (and invite all your friends!):

February 28 5:00–6:30pm **Pancake Supper** Freewill Offering

March 29 5:30–7:00pm **Spaghetti Dinner** \$10 per adult; \$5 per child 12 & under

If you would like to help at these events, or you would like to organize another fundraiser for NSJ, please contact Frank Walsh, Deb van Hees or Joanne McPherson.

ONE DAY WONDER

Saturday, March 4 10 am - 7 pm

A Presbytery-wide event for students in Grades 5-8 at Knox PC, St. Thomas. Transportation from Westmount PC leaves at 9:15 am and returns at 8 pm. Please confirm attendance with Joanne **by February 15**. Cost: \$15 and a donation to the food bank.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada national office is excited to launch **PCConnection** newspaper this spring, a fun and informative newspaper that will help connect Presbyterians from coast to coast. This FREE Christian publication will keep you inspired, demonstrating our faith in action. For home delivery, please subscribe by going to the national church website at presbyterian.ca.

The rocking chair in the sanctuary is available for any person - big or small - who needs a cozy seat during worship. Just ask for assistance.



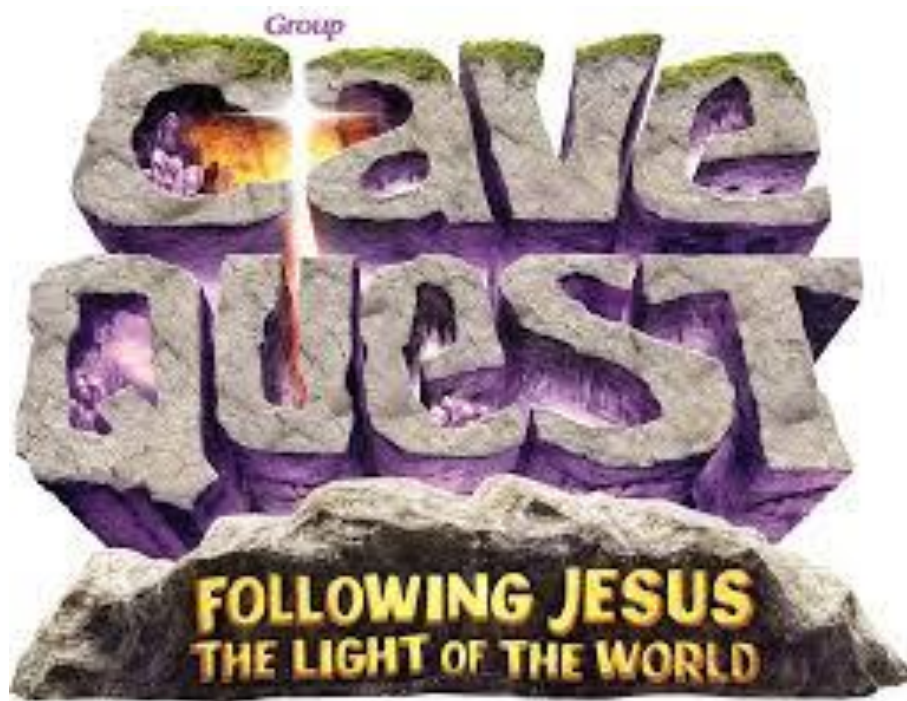
FOOD CUPBOARD

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.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

at

New St. James Presbyterian Church



March Break - March 13-17, 2017

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Early drop off available at 8:30 a.m.)

JK - Grade 6

Cost: \$5.00

**Registration forms available in the church office or
at www.newstjames.com**



We serve, Jesus heals

Presbyterians Sharing supports Dr. Nicholas and Rebecca Bauman as they serve with the United Mission to Nepal, one of the PCC's long-standing partners. Nick will work as a general surgeon at the United Mission Hospital in Tansen, which serves a population of about one million people in western Nepal. The hospital's motto is "We serve, Jesus heals." Nick will engage in clinical work, with a heavy emphasis on teaching Nepali medical residents. Becky is an Occupational Therapist and is excited to discover ways in which to utilize her skills.

Stewardship:

God's work done in God's way will never lack for funds. Generosity is contagious. God never promised to meet our budget, only our needs.

*J. Hudson Taylor (1832-1905),
Christian missionary to China and
founder of the China Inland Mission*

Thank You!

The 2016 Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Program was a tremendous success thanks to people like you, willing to give their all to help their neighbours. We couldn't have done it without you. May the new year bring you many blessings!

The Salvation Army London
Community and Family Services Team

By the Numbers:

5 Days of Distribution

5,131 Households received a Christmas Food Hamper
6,681 Children received toys
9,220 Teddy Bear Toss Bears
1,409 Total Volunteers
9,397 Total Volunteer Hours



**Giving
Hope
Today**

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.*

Minister	Rev. Andrew Reid - areid@newstjames.com
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Minister Emeritus	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files
Minister in Association	Rev. Joyce Elder
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Director of Music	Torin W. Chiles - tchiles@uwo.ca
Choristers	Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano; Jocelyn Francescut, soprano; Laura Neilsen, soprano; Shannon Wijnker, mezzo-soprano; Conlan Gassi, tenor; David Stainton, baritone
Office Administrator	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 am - 3:30 pm - Monday to Friday
Custodian	Mark McDonald - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
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