

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

**Second Sunday in Lent**



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Pat Goud*

Welcome Team: *Dave & June Colwell, David Colwell,  
Jeff Goud, Keith McCreary, Tim Van Hees, John White*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Ann McClatchey*

Nursery: *Avery, Brecken & Susan Vallas*

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

Hospitality: *Service Group*

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** *A Lenten Meditation* E. H. Thiman (1900-1975)

\* **Entry of the Bible**

\* **Processional Hymn** *Of eternal love begotten (Divinum mysterium) vs. 1,2,4,5* **163**

**Call to Worship** PWS&D Liturgy see insert

**Introit** *See What Love Hath The Father* E. H. Thiman (1900-1975)  
See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in His goodness, that we should be called the sons of God.

**Prayers of Approach and Confession**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Solo** *Jesus, The Very Thought Of Thee* E. H. Thiman (1900-1975)  
Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast; but sweeter far Thy face to see and in Thy presence rest. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the memory find a sweeter sound than Thy blest name, O Saviour of mankind. O Hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek, to those who fall how kind Thou art, how good to those who seek! But what to those who find? Ah, this: nor tongue nor pen can show; the love of Jesus, what it is, none but His loved ones know. Jesus, our only joy be Thou, as Thou our prize wilt be; Jesus, be Thou our glory now, and through eternity. [text: Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153); tr. E. Caswell (1814-1878)]

**Unison Prayer for Illumination**

With the Psalmist, we lift our eyes to you, O God, so that, with Nicodemus, we may see your kingdom revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**First Lesson** Genesis 12:1-4a **pg. 10 in O.T.**

## Responsive Psalm 121

- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills—  
from where will my help come?
- <sup>2</sup> **My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.**
- <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.
- <sup>4</sup> **He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**
- <sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
- <sup>6</sup> **The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**
- <sup>7</sup> The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.
- <sup>8</sup> **The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and for evermore.**

### \* **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**

John 3:1-17

pg. 93 in N.T.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **Anthem**

*God So Loved The World (from The Crucifixion)*

J. Stainer (1840-1901)

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in Him  
should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to  
condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

### **Sermon**

**“That the world might be saved”**

Rev. Andrew Reid

## We Respond in Faith and Service

- \* **Hymn of the Faith**      *O love, how deep (Puer nobis nascitur)*      **205**

### **Prayers of Concern**

### **Offering and Offertory**

*Of Eternal Love Begotten  
(Divinum Mysterium)*

W. Held (©2001)

- \* **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**      *What a friend we have in Jesus*      **746**
  - \* **Commission and Response**      *Day by day*      **455**
  - \* **Benediction**
- Postlude**      *Postlude in F*      E. H. Thiman (1900-1975)

## **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.

The 2017 “**Back to Basics**” project is upon us! Please donate new socks and underwear in the boxes provided at each entrance. The clothes will be delivered to various organizations in the city.

<b>THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES</b>		
<b>Monday, March 13</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, March 14</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	7:00 pm	Highland
	7:00 pm	Presbytery (Fingal)
<b>Wednesday, March 15</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	2:00 pm	Service at Manor Village
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service
<b>Thursday, March 16</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:00 pm	Senior Youth (St. Lawrence PC)
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, March 17</b>	9:00 am	VBC
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Sunday, March 19</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service with Camp Kintail
	3:30 pm	CCNC

### **HIGHLAND**

**Tuesday, March 14 7:00 pm**

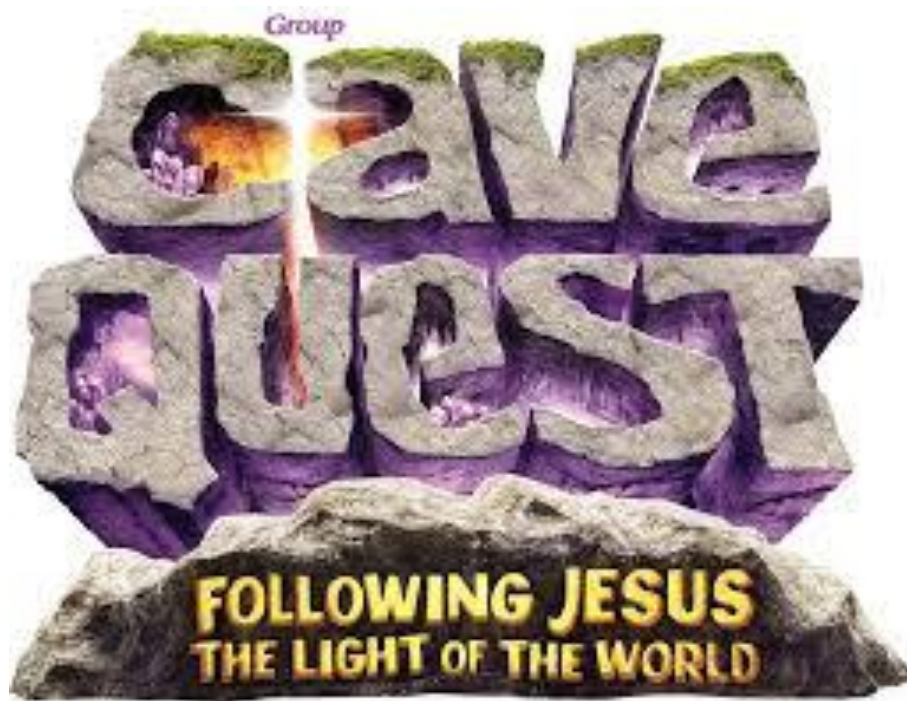
It's our annual Dutch Auction! All ladies are welcome to attend upstairs in the Parlour.

Souper Sunday luncheon has been postponed but please stay with us for cake and coffee following the service with Camp Kintail on Sunday, March 19.

# 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](http://www.newstjames.com)**

# NewSt.JamesChurch



## *Buon appetito!* Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, March 29, 2017  
5:30-7:00pm

Tickets: \$10 advance/\$12 at door; \$5 children 12 & under

Tickets will be available for purchase for the next 3 Sundays, beginning today, during coffee hour. Proceeds to ongoing NSJ Ministries.

“Shop 'til you drop” and save the date **Saturday, April 8** for our SPRING RUMMAGE SALE! You won't want to miss this fabulous opportunity to do some spring purging and bring that great "stuff" to the church for our rummage sale but not before March 26 - we just don't have the room to store it. We also need your amazing presence that day so that our customers (that includes you too) don't go home empty-handed. Got stuff??? Want to help??? Contact Karen Buchwald or Deb Noble-Van Hees. We can't wait to hear from you!

### **A note about security**

It appears that churches in London are being targeted in a minor crime wave. As many as eight churches in the city have suffered thefts or break-ins since Christmas, sometimes during worship on Sunday mornings. We have taken steps to increase security, but please ensure that your valuables, keys, purses, etc, are secure at all times.

### **Financial Task Force**

The Task Force met for the first time on Monday, with representatives from Session, Board of Managers, Finance, Women's Council, Trustees, Thomas Kent Trust, and the congregation at large. After good discussion, homework in preparation for the next meeting on March 20 was allocated. Watch for more developments!

### **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.







In the early church, Lent was a time of training and preparation for baptismal candidates at Easter. By the fourth century, it developed into a 40-day period, following the biblical pattern of 40 days or 40 years of preparation and anticipation. In its early form, elements of penitence were included. The liturgical colour for Lent is purple, the colour of penitence and reflection. In our tradition, Lent is a time to re-examine and reaffirm our identity as people baptized into Christ's body, the church.

Our baptism is a symbolic dying and rising with Christ. In Lent, we turn with Christ towards these events in his life. Along the way, the Spirit gives the opportunity for us to redirect and refocus our lives, and more fully realize our baptismal identity. We recall where we are going and what it cost God for us to become resurrection people. We become open to the possibilities of new beginnings all around us. The season of Lent points us to Easter.

### **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.



### **Welcoming the stranger**

With support from *Presbyterians Sharing*, Jackie Bannerman is serving as a young adult intern in Budapest, Hungary with our long-standing partner, the Reformed Church in Hungary. Jackie is excited about helping the Kalunba Refugee ministry to build relationships with refugees in a safe environment. She teaches English lessons and helps with Kalunba's website, providing English content to connect international readers. Jackie shares, "I hope to help create a sort of home, if only a temporary one, and provide a much needed sense of hope to people coming from fearful situations with uncertain futures."

### **Stewardship:**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

*Colossians 3:15*

**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.*

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Andrew Reid - areid@newstjames.com
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