

**New St. James Church**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Communion Sunday, February 14, 2016 - 10:30 a.m.

**First Sunday in Lent**



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Lyn Hill*

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

Counters: *Ken & Liz Robbins, Frank Walsh, Jennifer Whitworth*  
Hall Shepherd: *Janet Hines*

Nursery: *Lesley Banks, Carol Fisher*

Children and Worship for ages 3-5: *Pat Goud*

Church School for ages 6-14: *Cathy Reid, Jennifer Whitworth*

Teen Class: *Mike Ruggi*

Hospitality: *Service Group*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

**A Note for Visitors:** Church School at New St. James starts at 10:30 a.m., 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** *My Faith Looks Up To Thee (Olivet)* K. Osterland (©2001)

**\* Entry of the Bible and the Processional Hymn**  
*Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you* **467**

**Welcome**

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

**Congregational Introit** *Holy, holy, holy (Nicaea)* **299**

**Prayer of Approach**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Anthem** *O Lord, Support Us* M. Besly (1888-1945)

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, Lord, in Thy mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. [J.H. Newman (1801-1890)]

**Unison Prayer for Illumination**

By the power of your Holy Spirit, may your Word rest not only on our lips, but in our hearts and our lives. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Responsive Psalm 91:1-2,9-16**

<sup>1</sup> You who live in the shelter of the Most High,  
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

<sup>2</sup> **will say to the LORD, 'My refuge and my fortress;  
my God, in whom I trust.'**

<sup>9</sup> Because you have made the LORD your refuge,  
the Most High your dwelling-place,

<sup>10</sup> **no evil shall befall you,  
no scourge come near your tent.**

<sup>11</sup> For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

- <sup>12</sup> **On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**
- <sup>13</sup> You will tread on the lion and the adder,  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
- <sup>14</sup> **Those who love me, I will deliver;  
I will protect those who know my name.**
- <sup>15</sup> When they call to me, I will answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble,  
I will rescue them and honour them.
- <sup>16</sup> **With long life I will satisfy them,  
and show them my salvation.**

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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 4:1-13

pg. 61 in N.T.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon in Three Parts - Part One**

Rev. Andrew Reid

### **Anthem**

*Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

American Folk Hymn; arr. P. Ladd Jr. (©1993)

Jesus walked this lonesome valley; He had to walk it by Himself. O, nobody else could walk it for Him; He had to walk it by Himself. Jesus went and stood His trials; He had to stand them by Himself. O, nobody else could stand them for Him; He had to stand them by Himself. We must walk this valley; we have to walk it by ourselves. O, nobody else can walk it for us; we have to walk it by ourselves. We must go and stand our trials; we have to stand them by ourselves. O, nobody else can stand them for us; we have to stand them by ourselves.

### **Sermon Part Two**

#### **Solo**

*Teach Me Thy Song, O Lord*

C. Courtney (©1991)

Conlan Gassi, tenor

Teach me Thy song, O Lord – that song which graced creation's dawn and bid the firmament unfurl, that bathed the newborn world in uncreated light, that song so bright. Teach me Thy song, O Lord – that song which burst Thy servant's heart to beat of blows upon the cross; His pain and bitterest loss and death that should be mine – His song was Thine! Teach me Thy song, O Lord – that song which swirls to wreath Thy throne, and bears the prayers of all Thine own; to Thee and Thee alone by saints and angels raised Thy name to praise. Teach me Thy son, O Lord.

### **Sermon Part Three**

## We Respond in Faith and Service

*	<b>Hymn of the Faith</b>	<i>As when the Hebrew prophet raised (Abridge)</i>	<b>189</b>
	<b>Prayers of Concern</b>		
	<b>Offering and Offertory</b>	<i>O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days (O Lamm Gottes Unschuldig)</i>	M. Sedio (©1996)
*	<b>Doxology</b>		<b>830</b>
*	<b>Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication</b>		
	<b>Announcements</b>		

## Our Church Family Celebrates Communion

	<b>Invitation</b>		
*	<b>Communion Hymn</b>	<i>Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor (St. Osmund)</i>	<b>541</b>
*	<b>Apostles' Creed</b>		<b>539</b>
	<b>Institution of the Sacrament</b>		
	<b>Prayer of Consecration</b>		
	<b>Lord's Prayer (sung)</b>		<b>831</b>
	<b>The Distribution</b>		
	<b>Prayer after Communion</b>		
*	<b>Hymn of Discipleship</b>	<i>Now let us from this table rise (Solothurm)</i>	<b>556</b>
*	<b>Commission and Response</b>	<i>Threefold Amen</i>	<b>780</b>
*	<b>Benediction</b>		
	<b>Postlude</b>	<i>There Is A Fountain (Cleansing Fountain)</i>	D. Hustad (©1996)

## **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.

## THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

<b>Monday, February 15</b>	Family Day - office closed	
	9:00 am	Ox-Well Activity Program
	6:30 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, February 16</b>	10:00 am	Pastoral Care Executive
	2:30 pm	Service at Extendicare
	5:00 pm	Junior Amabile Singers
<b>Wednesday, February 17</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
	4:00 pm	Lectionary Study
	5:30 pm	Conversation Circle
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service
<b>Thursday, February 18</b>	9:30 am	WMS Presbyterial Executive
	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
<b>Friday, February 19</b>	7:00 pm	Junior Youth Night
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Sunday, February 21</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service
	2:00 pm	CCNC
	3:00 pm	Der Hirt Trio

*Today we warmly welcome new members May Macfarlane, Eva Murray and Diane Raynard.*

### COMMUNION

We gather at our Lord's Table today, in memory of our Saviour Jesus Christ who died and rose from death for our sakes. Please note that the bread that we serve is gluten-free, and that you have the choice of red wine or white grape juice. You are invited to partake of the elements as soon as you have been served.

The **Spirituality Centre** is open for Lent in the classroom opposite the upstairs kitchen. The theme this year is "*Body Image and Prayer Text*".

**“Put a sock or two in it!”** That phrase is the 2016 theme for the **BACK TO BASICS** Lenten project. Can you ‘give up’ a coffee/tea each week in Lent and ‘take up’ the challenge to use that money to purchase socks and underwear for needy men, women and children? Items will be donated to local groups such as Rotholme, Quintin Warner House, the Unity Project Against Homelessness in London and Merrymount. The Mission and Social Action Committee is so confident you can **“put a sock in it”** that collection boxes will be in the office and at every church entrance during Lent. *“Look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.”*  
*Philippians 2:4*

### *Creative Hands*

Every second and fourth Tuesday at 1:30-3:00 pm in the beautiful parlour upstairs.

New and experienced crafters most welcome!

Bring your knitting, needlepoint, embroidery, crocheting, tatting  
or whatever you are working on or just show up and learn something new!

Don't have supplies? Not a problem...we have extras.

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

### **2016 LENTEN SERVICES AT NEW ST JAMES**

"Will you come and follow me?" Biblical leaders of God's people - warts and all  
Beginning February 10, **Wednesdays, 7:00-7:30pm**, in the McNair Chapel

### **Upcoming Youth/Young Adult Events. Save the date!!**

**Junior Youth** (grades 5-8)  
Friday, February 19 7:00-9:00 pm

**Tubing at Boler Mountain**  
Senior Youth/Young Adults (ages 14-25)  
Sunday, February 21 3-5 pm  
Cost: \$15.00

**One Day Wonder**  
Presbytery-wide Junior Youth Event  
Saturday, March 5 at Westmount PC

Questions? Please call Joanne at the church.

## VACATION BIBLE CAMP

March 14-18

Planning is already underway for VBC and we are excited about “conquering challenges with God’s mighty power.” Well, why not help in one of the following areas - crafts, snacks, games, music, stories or mission? If you can help, please speak to Deb Noble-Van Hees, Karen Baron or Cathy Reid after church.



## SPRING GARAGE AND RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, April 2 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Time to start getting your donations ready for our Spring sale. We will need household goods, clothing (men's, women's and children) including shoes, books (no magazines or encyclopedias), jewellery, bedding, toys and other treasures you may have. Help will be needed during the sale AND two days prior in order to get ready. Mark this date on your calendars and be sure to tell family and friends about this sale! Any questions, contact Karen Rendell.

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

### The Stewart Library:

- “ Copies of Our Daily Bread devotionals are available, at no charge.
- “ A copy of “**Body, Mind and Soul**: Thinking together about human sexuality and sexual orientation in the Presbyterian Church in Canada” is available.
- “ CBC **Canada Reads 2016** shortlist book selections are available.

## 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.



Many thanks to those who contribute used postage stamps to the Canadian Bible Society boxes located at church entrances. 10 lbs of stamps equals approximately 5 Bibles for distribution. Keep saving those stamps!





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.



### Canada Youth - We are Home

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Canada Youth, a gathering of youth, young adults and youth leaders from across the country, with guests from around the world. Since 2000, CY has been a gathering place for Presbyterian youth to worship, play, create, learn, dance, act, make new friends, study scripture, share joy, laugh, discover, play crazy games, reflect, pray, sing and share. CY is a time and a place to celebrate youth and youth ministry in The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Registration for CY 2016 began on February 1! This year's theme is *Joined Together as God's Dwelling Place - We are Home*. Find out more at [presbyterian.ca/cy2016](http://presbyterian.ca/cy2016).

#### **Stewardship:**

Guard well within yourself that treasure, kindness. Know how to give without hesitation, how to lose without regret, how to acquire without meanness.

*George Sand (1804-1876), novelist*

**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.

**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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