

New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Mission Church
Sunday, February 17, 2019 at 10:30am
We Gather to Worship God



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Dr. David Thompson*

Music Leader: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Jeanine Taylor*

Welcome Team: *Bruce Curtis, Pat Ferries, George Rendell,
Dee-Ann, Sydney & Todd Vickers, Johanis Weydekamp*

Counters: *Carol & John Brink, Pam Johnston, Susan Pepper, John White*

Hall Shepherd: *Pat Taylor*

Sunday School: *No Sunday School/Worship Bags*

Nursery: *Donna Aziz, Liz Emmerton*

Hospitality: *Deborah Noble-Van Hees*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

A Note for Visitors: The service today includes the Church School children. Our church family will remain together in the sanctuary for the whole service. The nursery is open as usual.

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* Please stand, if able

Prelude *Be Thou With Me (Bist Du Bei Mir)* J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

* **Trumpet Fanfare for Entry of the Bible** (*please stand if able*)

* **Processional Hymn # # 333** I sing the almighty power of God (Forest Green)

* **Welcome:** (*Please greet one another*)

Responsive Call to Worship

L: Wisdom cries out in the street, in the square she raises her voice. At the busiest corner, she cries out, at the entrance of the city gates she speaks.

C: **“How long simple ones will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?”**

Introit *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* O. Gibbons (1583-1625)
Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; Word of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight. Holy Spirit, right divine, make my conscience wholly Thine; be my law, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free. [text: S. Longfellow (1819-1892)]

Unison Prayer of Approach

Our Loving God, fount of all wisdom and knowledge, give us this day the desire to follow your voice within us, to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit in everything that we do; in order to live well, love well and then to make your world a better place for all living things. Amen.

Unison Words of Assurance

Those who confess their sins and who determine to live a new life guided by the Holy Spirit, are forgiven their sins and are cleansed from all unrighteousness.

We Hear the Word of God

Anthem

Prayer Of Being

M. Hayes (©1993)

Be in my life, be in my breath; be in my walk, be in my rest. Be in this humble heart of mine; be ever present in my mind. Be in my hands, be in my feet; be in my eyes and in my speech. Be in the smile I give away; be in each healing word I say. Be in my work, be in my play; be in the struggles of each day. Be in my joy, be in my pain; be in my loss, be in my gain. Be in my thoughts, be in my song; be in my spirit all day long. Be in my prayers at dawn's first light; be in my dreams all through the night. Amen. The prayer of my heart ever shall be: I in You and You in me.

Unison Prayer for Illumination

May we hear the still small voice of God in the Scriptures today. May we learn from the Bible authors and think with them, as companions in the search for the truth that shall set us free. Amen

First Lesson

I Kings 19: 9-13 (King James version)

**Pg. 326 in O.T.
(NSRV pew bible)**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 18: 1-6

L: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

C: The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

L: I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, so I shall be saved from my enemies.

C: The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of perdition assailed me.

L: The cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

C: In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

* **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

Epistle Romans 8: 5-9 **Pg. 157 in N.T.**

Gospel Lesson John 16: 12-13 **Pg. 110 in N.T.**

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Solo God Is Ever Beside Me P. De Rose (©1944)
God is ever beside me, when I greet the sun. God is ever beside me, though my task be done. Wandering down the road of life, though I sometimes stray, God is ever beside me, showing me the way. Give me the courage to carry on! Give me the strength I need! Let not my footsteps falter or lag, may I be kind in word and deed. In my heart I hear His voice, "share thy bread with others." In my heart I hear His Voice, "call all men thy brothers." God is ever beside me, through the shadows of pain. God is ever beside me; His hand doth me sustain. Ever brighter seems the road Through His Glory and Love Divine, for God is ever beside me – peace now is mine. [text: Florence Tarr (born 1894)]

Sermon "Intuitive Wisdom" Rev. Dr. David Thompson

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of Faith # 461** *Be thou my vision* (Slane)

Prayers for the World

Offering and Offertory *Beloved Jesus* J. Brahms (1833-1897)

Tim Hortons vs. Starbucks Update

This fundraiser will continue until February 24th. **Our target is \$10,000. As of February 10th our Grand Total is \$9,310.03.** Including today, there are two Sundays left and we need to average about \$344.99 each Sunday. Can we do this??

* **Doxology**

* **Dedication of Offering**

Our Church Family Together

Announcements

Story “The Light”

Prayers for New St. James

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

* **Hymn # 493** *How blessed are the ones who hear* (Creditor)

* **Commissioning and Benediction**

* **Sung Amen # 264**

Sing Amen, Amen, we praise your name, O God. Sing Amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God. Sing Amen. Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, we praise your name, O God.

Postlude *Fantasia on ‘Adoro Te Devoto’* A.P.F. Boëly (1785-1858)



Please pick up your **2018 Income Tax receipt** and **Annual Report** in the Narthex.
Annual Meeting is Sunday, February 24.

TRIVIA NIGHT - FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Did you know that cold air stimulates brain cells? That's probably not true but if you want to enjoy an evening of fun and knowledge join us on **Friday, February 22 at 6:30pm for a trivia challenge in support of Northern Hospitality. Teams of 4** are welcome to book by calling the office (519) 434-1127 or emailing admin@newstjames.com before February 20. Don't know 3 other people as smart as you? Don't worry! We will find them for you! Only **\$10 per person**. Any questions-see Gayle Harrison or Deb Noble-Van Hees.

MARCH BREAK VBC!

We are trying something new at NSJ! A full day of Camp with Kintail folks running the program with the support of our NSJ volunteers. **Programming runs from 9:00am to 3:30pm** with drop off at the church from 8:30-9:00am and **pick up between 3:30-4:00pm**. Kids will bring their **own lunch and we will provide a morning and afternoon snack**. The cost for this is **\$50 per child** for the week. We have **spaces for 42 children** so don't delay in getting your registration completed and dropped off at NSJ. We will accept **cash or cheque for payment**. Please feel free to invite your family or friends who might be interested in this wonder day camp for their children. Registrations can be picked up from the office or printed from our NSJ website <https://newstjames.com/> Questions? Don't hesitate to email Deb Van Hees at denvh1@hotmail.com or call 519-471-6857. Looking forward to seeing you this year!

STEWARDSHIP: Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above.

James 1:17a



World Day of Social Justice (Feb. 20)

Ayishetu Abu had not seen her family in eight years. She was living at the Gambaga Outcast Home in Ghana—a shelter for women facing accusations of witchcraft. In many Ghanaian communities, there is a tendency to suspect witchcraft as the cause of crop failure, the death of a child or any other unexplained event. In addition to improving living conditions at the shelter, Presbyterian World Service & Development works to foster social acceptance among these communities and educate village leaders about human rights, mental illness, disabilities and other health issues often mistakenly attributed to witchcraft. To ensure more women like Ayishetu can embrace opportunities that are the right of every person, PWS&D will continue working for justice and peace.

PWS&D promotes peace and tolerance

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

Monday, February 18	Family Day - Office Closed 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm AA
Tuesday, February 19	10:00 am Activity Day 10:30 am Lectionary Bible Study 2:30 pm Extencicare 5:00 pm Jr. Amabile
Wednesday, February 20	9:30 am Indoor Playground 12:00 pm Zumba 3:30 pm C.E. Meeting 7:00 pm Thames Clarinet
Thursday, February 21	1:30 pm Al-Anon 7:30 pm NSJ Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Al-Anon
Friday, February 22	6:30 pm Trivia Night 7:30 pm AA
Sunday, February 24	10:30 am Worship Service / Annual Meeting 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.

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.

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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