

**New St. James Church**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Sunday, February 21, 2016 - 10:30 a.m.

**Second Sunday in Lent**



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Jeanine Taylor*

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

Counters: *John & Carol Brink, Doug McKay, Susan Pepper*

Hall Shepherd: *Jim Hunter*

Nursery: *Donna Aziz, Liz Emmerton*

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

Church School for ages 6-14: *Cathy Reid, Monica Sass*

Teen Class: *Mike Ruggi*

Hospitality: *Highland*

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** *Partita On Mit Freuden Zart* M. Sedio (©1996)

\* **Entry of the Bible and the Processional Hymn**  
*Come, let us to the Lord our God (Kilmarnock)* **194**

**Welcome**

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

**Introit** *Nothing Can Trouble*  
*(Nada Te Turba)* Taizé Community; J. Berthier (©1991)  
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. Those who seek God shall never go wanting. Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. God alone fills us.

**Prayer of Approach**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Solo** *Jerusalem! Thou That Killest The Prophets* F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)  
Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano

Jerusalem! Thou that killest the prophets; thou that stonest them which are sent unto thee! How often would I have gathered unto Me thy children, and ye would not!

**Unison Prayer for Illumination**

Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us on the level path, so that we may see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Amen.

**First Lesson** *Philippians 3:17-4:1* **pg. 198 in N.T.**

**Responsive Psalm 27**

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> **When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—  
my adversaries and foes—  
they shall stumble and fall.**

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;  
though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup> **One thing I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,  
to behold the beauty of the LORD,  
and to inquire in his temple.**

<sup>5</sup> For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will set me high on a rock.

<sup>6</sup> **Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup> Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup> **'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'  
Your face, LORD, do I seek.**

<sup>9</sup> Do not hide your face from me.  
Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help.  
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

<sup>10</sup> **If my father and mother forsake me,  
the LORD will take me up.**

<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

<sup>12</sup> **Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they are breathing out violence.**

<sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

<sup>14</sup> **Wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the LORD!**

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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 13:31-35

pg. 77 in N.T.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Anthem**

*Jerusalem, How Often Would I Fold you To My Breast*

L. Knatterud (©1983); arr. T. Chiles (2007)

Jerusalem, how often would I fold you to My breast but never would you let Me, never nestle in My rest. I weep to see you weary, when the world has bruised and stung, like a brood hen with her chickens, like a she wolf with her young. I have never ceased my calling. Let Me banish all your fears. Let Me call back all your laughter, let Me wipe away your tears. Not only you, fair city, but all on Earth's fair face: so widespread is my longing, so wide is my embrace. Your gentle wings, O Saviour, in tenderness unfurled



## **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 22</b>	9:00 am	Ox-Well Activity Program
	6:30 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, February 23</b>	1:30 pm	Creative Hands
	5:00 pm	Junior Amabile Singers
<b>Wednesday, February 24</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
	5:30 pm	Conversation Circle
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service
<b>Thursday, February 25</b>	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	5:00 pm	Amabile Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
<b>Friday, February 26</b>	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Sunday, February 28</b>	10:30 am	Worship Service
	2:00 pm	CCNC
	3:00 pm	Windsor Trio

**Note from the minister:** Cathy and I will be out of town from February 25 until March 3. I leave you in good hands: Joanne and Megan will be available, and Rev. Keith McKee has agreed to provide emergency pastoral care. Call him at St. George's 519-455-5760.

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 are at every church entrance during Lent. *"Look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others."* *Philippians 2:4*

**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.

### *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!!**

#### **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.

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## **Windsor Trio**

**Debut Concert at NSJ**

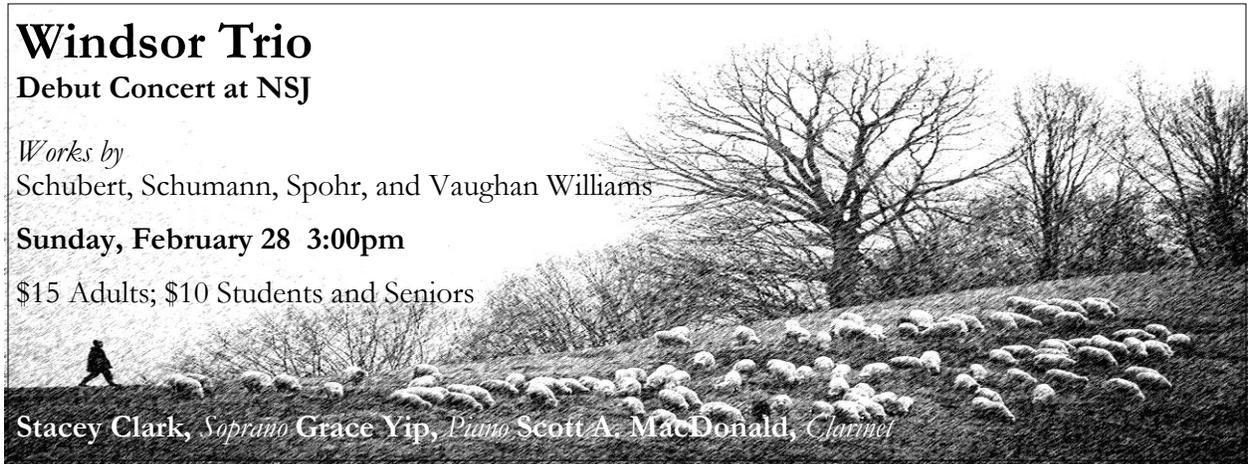
*Works by*

Schubert, Schumann, Spohr, and Vaughan Williams

**Sunday, February 28 3:00pm**

\$15 Adults; \$10 Students and Seniors

*Stacey Clark, Soprano Grace Yip, Piano Scott A. MacDonald, Clarinet*



## **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.



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.



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!



## February 20 is World Day of Social Justice

Presbyterian World Service & Development works with global partners to combat injustices and protect the rights of women, children, farmers, refugees and persons with disabilities. At the Garu Community Based Rehabilitation Centre in Ghana, local partners empower and teach vocational skills to people with disabilities so that they can achieve their full potential. When Lamisi injured her spine and lost the ability to walk, she thought all hope was lost. After her surgery, she received physical therapy and a pair of crutches at Garu. She was also offered training in small business development. Lamisi now owns a shop and is earning enough to meet her needs. Lamisi is filled with thanks for the support to continue living a full, productive life.

### **Stewardship:**

Living is giving. We live life best as we give our strengths, gifts, and competencies in the service of God's mission.

*Kennon Callahan (1936 –), author and teacher, congregational development*

*“We would like to thank everyone for all your prayers and concern for Baby Jack. He is now home with family and improving with medical care.”*

Karen & Bob, Kim & Jason

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**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
<b>Clerk of Session</b>	Bruce Curtis
<b>Minister Emeritus</b>	Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Files
<b>Minister in Association</b>	Rev. Joyce Elder
<b>Associate for Congregational Life</b>	Joanne MacPherson – jmacpherson@newstjames.com
<b>Student Intern</b>	Megan Shin – mshin@newstjames.com
<b>Director of Music</b>	Torin W. Chiles - tchiles@uwo.ca
<b>Choristers</b>	Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano; Natalie Gassi, soprano; Brooklyn Elhard, soprano; Morgan Traynor, mezzo-soprano; Conlan Gassi, tenor; Adrian Armenti, baritone
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Monday to Friday
<b>Custodian</b>	Mark McDonald - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>Address</b>	280 Oxford St. E., London, Ontario, N6A 1V4
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