

NewSt.JamesChurch
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”
The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Sunday, May 22, 2016 - 10:30 am



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Frank Walsh*

Welcome Team: *Ann McClatchey, Ian & Mary Lou McCrimmon,
Anne Taylor, Rosemary Whittaker, Irwandi Yusuf*

Counters: *Eva Goud, Jim Hoskins, Ann McClatchey, Ian McCrimmon*

Hall Shepherd: *Vince Morris*

Nursery: *Carol Fisher, Sharon Langham*

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

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

Teen Class: *Christine Goud, 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 *Blessed Assurance (Assurance)* J. Carlson (©2001)

* **Entry of the Bible and the Processional Hymn** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise (St. Denio)* **290**

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: When we look at the heavens, God's handiwork,
 the moon and the stars that God has established:
 what are we that God should care for us?

C: **God has made us just lower than God's own self,
 and crowned us with glory and honour.**

ALL: **O LORD, our Sovereign,
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Introit *Triune God, Mysterious Being (Blaenwern)* W. Rowlands (1860-1937)
Triune God, Mysterious being, undivided and diverse, deeper than our minds can fathom, greater than our creeds rehearse: help us in our varied callings Your full image to proclaim, that our ministries uniting may give glory to Your name. [text: Carl Daw (©1987)]

Prayer of Approach

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Anthem *Abide With Us, Our Saviour* M. Vulpus (1560-1615)
Abide with us, our Saviour, nor let Thy mercy cease; from Satan's might defend us, and grant our souls release. Abide with us, our Saviour, sustain us by Thy Word; that we with all Thy people to life may be restored. Abide with us, our Saviour, Thou Light of endless light, increase to us Thy blessings, and save us by Thy might. To Father, Son and Spirit, eternal One in Three, as was, and is forever, all praise and glory be.

Unison Prayer for Illumination

May the Spirit of truth guide us into all truth. May he speak what we need to hear. And may we be open to all that he may say. In the name of our Saviour Christ. Amen.

First Lesson

Proverbs 8:22-31

pg. 591 in O.T.

Responsive Psalm 8

- ¹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² **Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.**
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
- ⁴ **what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**
- ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honour.
- ⁶ **You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,**
- ⁷ all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
- ⁸ **the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**
- ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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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

John 16:12-15

pg. 110 in N.T.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Solo

How Can I Keep From Singing
Conlan Gassi, tenor

R. Lowry (1826-1899);
arr. A. Bullard (©2010)

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation; I hear the clear though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. Through all the tumult and the strife I hear the music ringing; it finds an echo in my soul – how can I keep from singing? What though the tempest loudly roars, I know my Saviour liveth; although the darkness binds me close, deep in the night sweet songs He giveth. His inner peace makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing; since Love is Lord of heaven and earth – how can I keep from singing?

We Respond in Faith and Service
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*	Hymn of Faith	<i>O Lord my God!!How great thou art (O Store Gud)</i>	332
	Prayers of Concern		
	Offering and Offertory	<i>O Trinity, O Blessed Light (O Heilige Dreifaltigkeit)</i>	R. Farlee (©1993)
*	Doxology		830
*	Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication		
	Announcements		
	Our Church Family Together		
	Prayer and the Lord's Prayer	Inside cover of Book of Praise	
*	Hymn of Discipleship	<i>This is my Father's world (Terra Beata)</i>	328
*	Commission and Response		264
*	Benediction		
	Postlude	<i>Finale on Hyfrydol</i>	H. Coleman (1888-1965)

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, May 23	Victoria Day 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	office closed Bible Study AA
Tuesday, May 24	1:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Creative Hands Junior Amabile Singers Session
Wednesday, May 25	9:30 am 4:00 pm 5:30 pm	Indoor Playground Lectionary Study Conversation Circle
Thursday, May 26	1:30 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Al-Anon NSJ Choir Rehearsal Al-Anon
Friday, May 27	4:00 pm 7:30 pm	Amabile Rehearsal AA
Saturday, May 28	6:00 pm	Amabile Concert
Sunday, May 29	10:30 am 2:00 pm	Worship Service CCNC

Creative Hands

Every second and fourth Tuesday at 1:00-3:00 pm in the Parlour. 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. We hope you are able to join us for an afternoon of fellowship and a cup of tea.

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

Oakridge PC would like to extend an invitation to all to hear Guy Smagge, Director of Presbyterian World Service and Development, talk about our denomination's work in Afghanistan and other aspects of PWS&D. Please join us **Saturday, May 28 at 7 pm** at Oakridge (in the Upper Room). Coffee and dessert will be served. RSVP David Elliott.

The Malawi Mission Team will be hosting the coffee hour on **Sunday, May 29**. We will have a display of all the projects we are taking to Malawi. We will also have a map of Malawi with sticky labels with supplies we would like to take.

OX-WELL ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Monday, May 30 11:00 am

Ox-Well is saying farewell after 25 years of meaningful, fun fellowship together. Ox-Well members will celebrate together with a special luncheon and program.

GERANIUM WALK

New St James will be the final stop on Sydenham Saunter, this year's Architectural Conservancy Ontario walking tour, on **Sunday, June 5**. We anticipate as many as 300 people coming for refreshments served by Women's Council. Plans are in hand to spruce up the building and the grounds for the occasion. If you are asked to help out, please say yes to help us showcase New St. James to visitors. We will be recruiting guides to show people around – inside and out – and to point out features of the history, architecture, windows, organ, etc. Background material will be provided. Please let the office know if you would like to help and have not been signed up.

The Garden Committee plans to spruce up the gardens in advance of the Geranium Walk on June 5. They would welcome your support financially or practically. In order to coordinate our efforts, please contact Elizabeth Harris.

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.



MALAWI 2016 - CAN HELP!

If you have a sewing machine, or have access to a sewing machine and can sew a straight stitch, this opportunity is for you. The Mission Trip to Malawi this September will be setting up an eye assessment clinic and will provide eye glasses for those who need them. To date, we have made over 1100 eye glass cases. There are only 18 kits left in the office. Please take one if you can help. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Mary Anne Simpson. Thank you for your support.

The Stewart Library:

- ❖ Copies of Our Daily Bread for June-July–August 2016 are now available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside the Lower Hall, 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.

Stewardship:

Lives based on having are less free than lives based on either doing or being.

*William James (1842-1910),
philosopher and psychologist*



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!



Translating the Bible in Taiwan

Your gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean as he serves as a Bible Translation Adviser in partnership with the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan and the Bible Society in Taiwan. Mission and church growth among Taiwan’s indigenous peoples expanded rapidly between the late 1920s and the 1950s. Today there are over 500 indigenous congregations in the PCT! Indigenous Bible translation work began in the 1950s and continues to this day. Paul is helping five indigenous translation teams who are preparing Bibles in the Amis, Bunun, Drekey, Paiwan and Pinuyumayan languages. He also promotes the Hakka Bible which was published in 2012. The PCT, the BST, and the PCC are deeply committed to preserving and promoting all of Taiwan’s non-Mandarin languages so that people can read, hear and share God’s life-giving Word in their own mother-tongues.



Responding to the Fort McMurray Fires

The PCC national office has heard from The Rev. Lisa Aide, minister at Faith Presbyterian Church in Fort McMurray. The people from the congregation have all made it safely out of the city, though they are scattered north and south. They are waiting to hear about the status of their homes, the manse and the school where they worship.

PCC Moderator, the Reverend Karen Horst, has issued a statement encouraging prayers and support for the community.

Donations to support immediate relief and long-term rebuilding for people affected by the fires may be made to Presbyterian World Service & Development for “Alberta Fires”. Funds will be used in consultation with presbyteries and local congregations to support Presbyterian, ecumenical and other relief efforts.

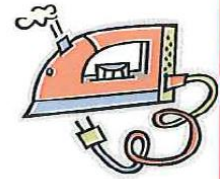
Watch for more updates at presbyterian.ca.

On your cheque made out to NSJ, indicate the gift is for “Alberta Fires” on the memo line.

London Ecumenical Refugee Committee News



LERC'S SCRAP METAL AND ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ACCOUNT WITH ZUBICK'S



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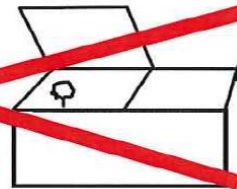
In a nutshell, any metal item, dead electronic items that plug in or use batteries AND dead batteries

THIS RESTRICTION IS IMPORTANT!

NO FRIDGES, FREEZERS OR SMOKE DETECTORS.



NO FREON



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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Office Administrator	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Monday to Friday
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