

NewSt.JamesChurch
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”
The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Sunday, October 23, 2016 - 10:30 am



JOINED TOGETHER AS GOD'S DWELLING PLACE
WE ARE HOME
CY2016

Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *CY participants*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Welcome Team: *Bob & Karen Baron, Mike & Audrey Hunter, Ervva Marshall, Nancy Roach*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Janet Hines*

Nursery: *Ann Milling*

Church School: *Karen Baron, Monica Sass*

Hospitality: *Fellowship Luncheon*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

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 O, When Will I See Jesus? D. Hustad (©2012)

* **Entry of the Bible and Processional Hymn**
Amazing grace (New Britain) **670**

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up O ancient doors!
That the Kind of glory may come in.

C: **Who is the King of glory?**
The Lord, strong and mighty,
The Lord, mighty in battle.

L: Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up O ancient doors!
That the Kind of glory may come in.

C: **Who is the King of glory?**
The Lord of hosts,
God is the King of glory.

Introit *Come, Now Is The Time To Worship* B. Doerksen (©1998);
arr. M. Hayes (©2005)

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God, come. One day every tongue will confess You are God. One day every knee will bow. Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now. Come...

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Solo *You're Always There* P. Choplin (©2005)
Sometimes we stumble and sometimes we fly, sometimes we're sinking and sometimes we climb. Wherever we travel, it doesn't matter where. God You are there, You're always there. When we are vital, our bodies are strong, through times of sickness when we struggle on, whatever condition, we rest in Your faithful care. Our God, You are there. Through all our days on this earth and beyond, when life is fading and our breath is gone, even in death we will rest in Your faithful care. Our God, you are there. You're always there. You're there.

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Ground us in the wisdom of your word, open to Your Spirit that we may be as you would have us be, that we may respond as you would have us act, that we would travel as friends and family together. Amen.

First Lesson Ruth 1:6-18 **pg. 241 in O.T.**

* **Musical Psalm 127** *Unless the Lord constructs the house (Bristol)* **88**

Gospel Lesson Luke 15:11-24 **pg. 78 in N.T.**

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem *How Deep The Father's Love for Us* S. Getty (©1995);
arr. L. Shackley (©2004)

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His head away as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory. How high, how wide, how deep the Father's love for us. Behold that Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished. How pure, how strong, how deep the Father's love for us. I will not boast of anything; no gifts, no power, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom. How high, how wide, how pure, how strong. How deep the Father's love for us.

Sermon **"A CY Service"**

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn of Faith** *Precious Lord, take my hand* **675**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Offering and Offertory *Like The Murmur Of The Dove's Song* J. Carter (©1996)

* **Doxology** **830**

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

Our Church Family Together

The Lord's Prayer Inside cover of Book of Praise

* **Hymn of Discipleship** *We Shall Overcome* African American trad.

1. We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday.

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe that we will overcome someday.

2. We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand someday.

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe that we'll walk hand in hand someday.

3. We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace someday.

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe that we shall live in peace someday.

4. God will see us through, God will see us through, God will see us through someday.

Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe that God will see us through someday.

* **Commission and Response** *You Shall Go Out With Joy* S. Dauermann (©1973)

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you, there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands! And all the tree of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands, the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

* **Benediction**

Postlude *Lift High The Cross* L. Shackley (©2008)



All are invited to attend a time of food and fellowship immediately following the worship service today. Monica Sass and Mike and Kathy Ruggi will be sharing about Canada Youth 2016. We will be serving peameal bacon on a bun, fresh garden salad and dessert. Free-will offering.

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, October 24	6:30 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	AA
Tuesday, October 25	9:30 am	Activity Day at NSJ
	10:30 am	Lectionary Study
	1:00 pm	Creative Hands
	5:00 pm	Amabile
	7:00 pm	Human Resources
Wednesday, October 26	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
	7:00 pm	LPYM Information Meeting (see below)
Thursday, October 27	1:30 pm	AI-Anon
	7:30 pm	AI-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 28	6:30 pm	Pumpkin Carving Event
	7:30 pm	AA
Sunday, October 30	10:30 am	Super Sunday Service
	2:00 pm	"We Sing For The Trees" Concert
	3:30 pm	CCNC
	7:00 pm	Young Adult Event (Kustermans Farm)

Activity Day at NSJ! Drop-in **Tuesdays** from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. There is a catered lunch for \$8.00 per person. Looking for bridge, euchre and board game players.

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

The London Presbytery Youth Ministry Team is inviting all young adults (aged 18-30) who may be interested in going on a mission trip (10-14 days) next August to attend an information session on **October 26 at 7pm here at NSJ.** This trip will be either to Guatemala or Nicaragua. The trip will cost between \$2500-3000, however we are hoping to cut a large portion of the cost down through funding from Presbytery and Synod. This info session will go through the 2 potential projects, as well as answer any questions you may have. Please contact Allison Bell at allison.bell@outlook.com.



**PRESBYTERY-WIDE
YOUNG ADULTS EVENT**
Sunday, October 30 7:00 pm
Kustermans Berry Farm After Dark Festival
(haunted barn and corn maze)

We are in need of **Halloween candy** for our Pumpkin Carving Night (October 28) and our Halloween parties (October 31). We are requesting **peanut-free** individually wrapped chocolates (Kit Kat, Smarties, Aero, etc). Please bring any donations to the office. Many thanks for your support!



“SONGS OF INSPIRATION”
Saturday, October 29 2:00 pm
London Ecumenical Refugee Committee fundraising concert at St. James Westminster Church, 115 Askin Street, London. Featuring Rev. Matthew Martin and Rev. Valerie Kenyon, accompanied by Steve Holowitz and musical friends. Tickets \$20 adults, \$10 children 12 and under. Call John Stewart 226-374-7860 for tickets.

The **New St. James Book Club** will meet on Monday, October 31 at 1:30 pm at the home of Pat Shaver. We will discuss *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan about the historical and ongoing relationship between Israel and Palestine. Anyone interested in this subject is welcome to join us. For more information call Pat.



DROP-IN HALLOWEEN @ NSJ
Monday, October 31 5:30-7:30 pm

Gym: visit our huge walk-in Whale (including some fun activities)
Lower Hall: movie "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown!" (25 mins)

The deadline for the next issue of **The New Connection** newsletter is November 3. Please send submissions to curquh0418@rogers.com or place in the Wellington entrance mailbox.

PWS&D Supports Relief Efforts in Haiti

In the wake of the devastating Hurricane Matthew, over 1.4 million people in Haiti are urgently awaiting humanitarian aid. Coping with the sudden loss of family members, homes and livelihoods, impacted communities are also facing hunger and disease. PWS&D is responding to the situation by providing assistance in the form of food, emergency non-food items, shelter, clean water and sanitation services through our partners at the ACT Alliance. If you wish to help support relief efforts, you may do so by making a donation to PWS&D through your offering envelope, mailing a cheque to the office, donating online or calling 1-800-619-7301 x291. Please mark all donations "Hurricane Matthew."

The Stewart Library:

Copies of Our Daily Bread for September-October–November 2016 are available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside the Lower Hall, at no charge.



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.



YULETIDE BAZAAR AND BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 19 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Our Bazaar is fast approaching. We are looking for donations from you, the congregation:

JEWELRY—we are looking for “bling” so please donate jewelry that you are not using. Eva Goud and June Colwell are coordinating this table and it is very popular. You can speak to them or bring your donations to the office during the week.

SILENT AUCTION—if you have any business connections perhaps you could ask for a donation for our silent auction, another very popular table, or perhaps you have something at home that you received and cannot use. At the last Bazaar, we had some baskets - a baby basket, a sports basket, a beauty basket, or a toy basket are some suggestions for this Bazaar. A handcrafted item would also be excellent.

FROZEN ENTREES—small containers of lasagna, chili, frozen apple pie or any other specialty that you make would be greatly appreciated for the Deli table.

PRESERVES—pickles, jams, jellies, relishes, chutneys—whatever your favourite is, please make some for the Preserve table. Highland will cover the jars with Christmas fabric at their meeting on November 8.

CRAFTS—Debbie Latta is coordinating our craft table and would like your donations into the church by Thursday, November 17. Please give her an idea of how much it cost to make your donation in order to help her with the pricing.

THE GREAT COOKIE CAPER—Carol Fisher and Ann Milling are coordinating this project and would appreciate donations of Christmas cookies. Please watch for a future announcement regarding the date that they would like your donation.

BAKING—will be needed for the bake table.

CANDY—including Rheo Thompson Mint Smoothies, for those with a sweet tooth. Money raised from the sale of the ‘mint smoothies’ will go to LERC as they prepare to bring another refugee family to London.

Along with the above needs, we will also need donations of books and items for our treasure table. Room has been set aside on the stage for these donations. Please remember that we do not sell clothing at this sale nor do we sell electrical appliances. The “treasure” table is designed to provide good quality items to our customers.

HELPERS—please volunteer to help sell on the day of the sale and to set up the day before.

If you need any further information, please contact Karen Buchwald or Eva Goud.



ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

You are invited to join the women of New St. James at the sixth annual Advent by Candlelight Service on **Monday, November 28**. This very special evening for women will prepare us for the Advent and Christmas seasons in a very meaningful and inspirational way with a special time of music and worship. All women are invited to attend the worship service, which will begin in the sanctuary at 7:40 pm.

Prior to the worship service, fellowship and dessert will be offered in the New St. James Hall at 6:30 pm, with tables individually decorated by the hostesses to reflect our Christmas theme. If you would like to be a guest at the dessert/fellowship time, or for more information, please call the church office.

Donations received at the service will be forwarded to Women's Community House to support their services. Women's Community House works to alleviate the consequences of violence against women and their children, with the aim of preventing and eliminating family violence.



Nurturing generous giving

The PCC's *Stewards by Design* conference helps congregations discover how to nurture generous giving and expand their ministry as they explore how stewardship is a spiritual matter concerned with all aspects of life. The Rev. Tim Archibald participated in the 2016 conference with a team from Kings Church in New Minas, NS. He shares, "The content has been most helpful and has been finding immediate application in our ministry here at Kings Church. Our team is most grateful for all of the time, effort and attention to detail that was offered—God has used it all for great good. We feel very encouraged."

Stewardship:

Where your talents and the world's needs cross, there lies your vocation.

Aristotle (384 – 322 BC), philosopher

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.*

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Office Administrator	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 am - 3:30 pm - Monday to Friday
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