

**New St. James Church**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Sunday, April 24, 2016 - 10:30 am



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Pamela Johnston*

Welcome Team: *Dave & Marybeth Goodreau, Jim Hunter,  
Jim & Mary Anne Simpson, Frank & Theresa Walsh*

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

Hall Shepherd: *Jacob Golose*

Nursery: *Ann Morris, Susan Vallas*

Church School for ages 6-14: *Joanne MacPherson*

Teen Class: *Mike Ruggi*

Hospitality: *Teens*

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**                      *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing (Truro)*                      J. W. Kerr (©1998)

\* **Entry of the Bible and the Processional Hymn**                      *In Christ there is no east or west (McKee)*                      **480**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

L: Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!  
C: **Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!**  
ALL: **Let us praise the name of the Lord,  
for the name of the LORD alone is exalted;  
God's glory is above earth and heaven.**

**Introit**                      *Spirit Of The Living God*                      D. Iverson (1890-1977);  
arr. D. Nixon (©1987)

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, move among us all. Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the Living God, fill our lives with love!

**Prayer of Approach**

**Words of Assurance**

## We Hear the Word of God

**Solo**                      *You Are Lord*                      P. Choplin (©2010)  
You are love. You are peace, and Your faithfulness and hope never cease. To the humble heart You stand as an open door. You are Lord. You are joy. You are light, and You guide us as we walk through darkest night. You are all the human heart is searching for. You are Lord. Your children stand before You to bring You gifts of praise, but our gifts seem so humble, for You are Lord, for You are God. You are now; You are then, and Your holiness and power never end, and we'll live in within Your

house forevermore. You are Lord. You are love. You are peace. You are Lord.

### **Unison Prayer for Illumination**

Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End, speak your words of truth until all things are made new, through Christ our Saviour. Amen.

#### **First Lesson**

Acts 11:1-18

**pg. 130 in N.T.**

#### **Responsive Psalm 148**

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
- <sup>2</sup> **Praise him, all his angels;  
praise him, all his host!**
- <sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- <sup>4</sup> **Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!**
- <sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for he commanded and they were created.
- <sup>6</sup> **He established them for ever and ever;  
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**
- <sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
- <sup>8</sup> **fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling his command!**
- <sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
- <sup>10</sup> **Wild animals and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds!**
- <sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- <sup>12</sup> **Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!**
- <sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.
- <sup>14</sup> **He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.  
Praise 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.

#### **Second Lesson**

Revelation 21:1-6

**pg. 259 in N.T.**

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **Anthem**

*Ubi Caritas*

Ola Gjeilo (©2007)



**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, April 25</b>	9:30 am	Ox-Well Activity Program
	1:30 pm	NSJ Book Club
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, April 26</b>	1:00 pm	Creative Hands
	5:00 pm	Junior Amabile Singers
	7:00 pm	Trustees
<b>Wednesday, April 27</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
	4:00 pm	Lectionary Study
	5:30 pm	Conversation Circle
<b>Thursday, April 28</b>	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
<b>Friday, April 29</b>	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Saturday, April 30</b>	7:30 pm	Gassi Studio Recital
<b>Sunday, May 1</b>	10:30 am	Anniversary Service
	2:00 pm	CCNC
	2:30 pm	Wesley-Knox Music Program

### NSJ BOOK CLUB

**Monday, April 25 1:30 pm**

At the home of Pat Shaver, 797 Grenfell Drive, we will continue our discussion of Silence by Shusaku Endo and if time permits, begin a discussion on Requiem by Frances Itani- a novel about the internment of Japanese Canadians during World War 2. Please join if you would like to be part of the conversation. For directions call Pat.

### *Creative Hands*

Every second and fourth Tuesday at 1:00-3:00 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.

### **Leadership Workshop**

You are invited to join a workshop that the Session is planning on **Saturday, April 30**, from 10:00 am-3:00 pm, here at the church. The focus will be on leadership within the congregation - what leadership is, what makes a leader today, how to develop leadership skills, how to help people identify their leadership skills. This is intended for more than elders only - leaders (and future leaders!) of all groups and organisations are welcome. No charge, and lunch will be provided.



***Gassi Voice Studio***

***Spring Sing!***

***April 30th 2016, 7:30pm***

***New St. James Presbyterian***  
***280 Oxford St. E.***

***Featuring Opera Classics***  
***& Music Theatre Hits***

***Free-will offering at the door***

***[www.gassimusic.com](http://www.gassimusic.com)***

## LERC Fundraising Dinner 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 14 in NSJ Hall

Featuring the famous chef Ann Morris and keynote speaker Mr. Valerian Marochko, Executive Director of LCCLC. Tickets \$25 adults, children 6-12 \$10, 5 and under free. We discovered on Saturday, April 16, to our delight, that Presbyterians do indeed have talent but we at LERC know that Presbyterians also HAVE HEART!

You have been introduced to our new Karen family and now we feel it is time to bring another Karen family out of the refugee camp in Thailand. The situation there is desperate as the Thai government, in an attempt to expedite the refugee expatriation to Burma, are cutting back on the food supplies to the families to starvation levels. Of course the families resist returning to Burma where there are still landmines, inferior shack housing, no work and sporadic fighting in some of the Burmese states. We only have another couple of years to sponsor refugees as the repatriation process ends in 2018. Once a person is repatriated, he no longer qualifies as a refugee. Please join us on May 14. [Please see Inez Butcher for a ticket.](#)

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been informed that renovations on the properties next to us on the corner of Hellmuth Avenue will begin at the end of this month. For safety reasons, please do not park in the lot there, even on the section of the property that is ours, or walk through the lot after parking on Hellmuth Avenue. We are exploring the possibility that we may be able to park there once the work is completed, but until that is settled, please do not enter the property.



Lauren Holden – Camp name Pika – will spend her fifth year working at Camp Kintail this summer. Lauren has been involved in our Kintail-related activities as well as Wednesday Nights at New St James. This spring, Lauren and three other camp counsellors are planning the North to South Hike for Campership, walking 900km along the Bruce Trail to raise \$10,000 for the Kintail Campership fund. This fund provides scholarships for children who could use some financial assistance in going to camp.

If you would like to support this fine cause, donations can be made online, or through a pledge form which is available in the office. If you have any questions, please contact Lauren at [northtosouth@campkintail.ca](mailto:northtosouth@campkintail.ca) or <http://www.campkintail.ca/get-involved/north-to-south-hike-for-camperships/>

**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.

### 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.

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

John Holland, a former baritone chorister in our choir, has launched a Kickstarter project to finance singing the role of Leporello in Mozart's Don Giovanni in Prague, Czech Republic. If you would like to know more, please talk to Kathy Ruggi or visit <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/1642415370/help-john-sing-leporello-in-prague-act-2-hotel-and>

### 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!

#### **Stewardship:**

Stewardship – it's not just about giving money.  
It's about giving everything!

*Anonymous*



## 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, there are 2000 pairs of eye glasses donated and making the trip. Those eye glasses also need to be protected so we are making **2000 eye glass cases**.

### **Eye Glass Case Sewing Kits include:**

A "**simple**" pattern (that takes **10 minutes** to complete), a sample eye glass case and material that is ready to sew will be available for pick-up starting Sunday, March 6 after church in the New St. James Hall during coffee hour. Each sewer is asked to consider taking one pile of fabric that will make 25 eye glass cases. Then, please consider another kit.

### **Where can I Pick-Up Kits or Return Finished Eye Glass Cases?**

Eye glass sewing kits will be available for pick-up and return in the Church office during the week and Sunday's after church in the NSJ Hall during coffee hour. *There will be a sign-in sheet available at pick-up and drop-off.*

### **Timelines to Complete:**

We would like this project to be completed before the end of June so everyone can enjoy their summer. Therefore, we would like to have 500 eye glass cases completed by the end of each month (March, April, May, and June). **The count is on!**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Mary Anne Simpson.



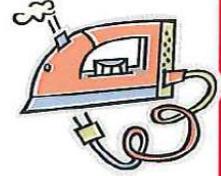
### **Nepal Earthquake – One Year Later**

When the 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal on April 25, 2015—one year ago—it seemed to Saraswati Purkoti that all hope was lost. The single mother lost her home and livelihood in the tragic disaster. “I was cutting grass with my son when the earth started trembling. We hugged each other, crying,” she shares. With support from Presbyterian World Service & Development, Saraswati has been provided with seeds and tools to build a greenhouse. She is now earning a steady income as a vegetable farmer and her children no longer go to bed hungry. PWS&D, in collaboration with partners at the ACT Alliance, is helping people touched by this tragedy rebuild their livelihoods and find the strength to move forward.

# London Ecumenical Refugee Committee News



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



You can bring your scrap metal and deceased electronics during business hours

Mon. to Fri. 7:30 to 4:30

Saturday 7:30 to 11:30

to John Zubick Limited

105 Clarke Road



**AND IDENTIFY THAT THE PROCEEDS SHOULD GO TO "LERC".**



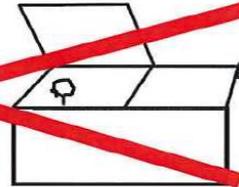
In a nutshell, any metal item, dead electronic items that plug in or use batteries AND dead batteries

**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.*

<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
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<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.
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