

**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 at 519-434-1204 to activate the prayer chain.

**Stewardship:**

Do not give, as many rich (people) do, like a hen that lays her eggs ... and then cackles.

*-Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887), American Congregationalist clergyman, social reformer, and speaker*

**The Stewart Library:**

Copies of the December/January/February Our Daily Bread are available in the Stewart Library and in the bookcase outside New St. James Hall, at no charge.



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 in prisons. Keep saving those stamps!

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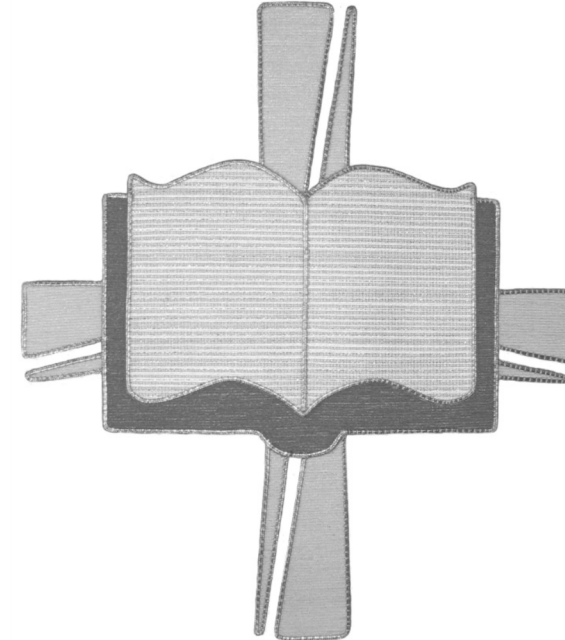
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# New St. James Presbyterian Church

**A Mission Church****“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”****Sunday, November 26, 2017 - 10:30 am****Serving You Today**Worship Leader: *The Rev. Dr. David Thompson*Director of Music: *Torin Chiles*Reader: *John Stewart*Welcome Team: *Rob McGugan, Charlene Beynon, Mike & Audrey Hunter, Doug McKay,**Barbara Oshana, Laura Summers Crozier*Counters: *Jim Hoskin, Ann McClatchey, Ian McCrimmon*Hall Shepherd: *Susan Vallas*Nursery: *Nancy Roach*Church School: *Deb Noble-VanHees, Joanne MacPherson*Hospitality: *Highland*Stewart Library: *Open every day*

**A Note to 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**      *Cornet Voluntary*      Wm. Walond (1725-1770)

\* **Entry of the Bible**

\* **Processional Hymn**      *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven*      **407**

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

L: Today is the Sunday that we celebrate the Kingship of Jesus Christ.

**C: May this King who rode into Jerusalem in humility rule in our hearts this day.**

**Introit**      *Jubilate Deo* (Psalm 100)      D. Wood (©1972)

O sing to the Lord with a jubilant voice. Glory to God in the highest! O serve Him with gladness, before Him rejoice. Praise to the Lord in the highest! The Lord is our God, our Creator, not we. Glory to God in the highest! The sheep of His pasture we ever shall be. Praise to the Lord in the highest! O enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise. Glory to God in the highest! To honour His name thankful voices we raise. Glory to God in the highest! For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure. Glory to God in the highest! To all generations His truth shall endure. Glory to God! Glory to God! Praise to the Lord in the Highest!

### Prayer of Approach

### Words of Assurance

## We hear the Word of God

**Anthem**      *Rejoice, The Lord Is King*      J. Darwall (1731-1789); arr. J. Raney (©2007)  
Rejoice the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,

## NSJ 25TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Christmas is fast approaching and as always at this time of year, we look forward to partnering with The Salvation Army Christmas Toy Drive. Last year, with our help, over 6600 bags of new toys were donated for children 0-12. See the office bulletin board for gift ideas for infants and toddlers, boy and girls ages 4-9, and boys and girls ages 10-12. A non-violent toy that does not require batteries is preferable, and please do not wrap the toy.

Toys will be collected in the church office until Sunday, December 3. Thank you for your continued generosity.



**NO PARKING:** Parking is no longer available in the parking lot across on the other side of Wellington Street (right where we assemble for fire drills behind medical building)  
It says; "RESERVED PARKING FOR UNIT HOLDERS ONLY".

**Slippery Sidewalks:** It's that time of year again with the sidewalks getting slippery. Calling one and all to help look out for each other as we traverse those slick sidewalks, streets, lane-ways and parking lots on our way to and from worship. Let's be on the alert to help keep one another safe!



### World AIDS Day (December 1)

AIDS is now the leading cause of death among teenagers in sub-Saharan Africa, a region still devastated by the HIV epidemic. These deaths can be avoided through prevention and treatment, education, and sexual and reproductive healthcare. The Presbyterian Church in Canada, through Presbyterian World Service & Development, supports HIV and AIDS programs that fight stigma and discrimination, teach and equip people to prevent the spread and the transmission between mother and child, and provide home based care and medications to those living with the disease. On World AIDS day, we live in Christ's hope for a world without AIDS and pray for those whose lives remain affected.  
*PWS&D works for a world without AIDS*

## THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

<b>Monday, November 27</b>	1:30 pm	Creative Hands
	1:30 pm	NSJ Book Club
	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Basketball
	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, November 28</b>	10:00 am	Activity Day at NSJ
	10:30 am	Lectionary Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Amabile
<b>Wednesday, November 29</b>	9:30 am	Indoor Playground
<b>Thursday, November 30</b>	9:30 am	Mom's Group
	1:30 pm	Al-Anon
	2:00 pm	Service at Manor Village
	7:30 pm	Al-Anon
	7:30 pm	NSJ Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, December 1</b>	7:30 pm	Les Choristes and Chorale Concert
	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Sunday, December 3</b>	10:30 am	Advent of Communion
	3:30 pm	CCNC

**Exciting Volunteer Position:** Cathy Urquhart has done the New Connection newsletter for so many years and due to the many changes in her life, it has been decided that this would be a good time for someone else to step in. We hope there is someone out there who would like to try their hand at this new adventure. Please contact the office to volunteer or if you have any questions.



**Elders:** If you have not already done so, your packages are in the Narthex to be picked up.

and triumph evermore: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Our Saviour, Jesus, reigns, the God of Truth and Love; when He had purged our stains, He took His seat above His Kingdom cannot fail, He rules both earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ the Judge shall come to gather all His saints to their eternal home. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! [text: Ch. Wesley (1707-1788)]

### Unison Prayer for Illumination

O God, You know us better than we know ourselves. As the scriptures are read, we will listen for your voice. By Your Spirit lead us out of our fears and into the knowledge of Your love, through Jesus Christ, the Great King. Amen.

**First Lesson** Zechariah 9:9-10

**Pg 884 in O.T.**

**Responsive Reading** Psalm 100

L: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

**C: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

L: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**C: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

L: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

**Gospel Lesson:** John 18:28-37

**Pg 112 in N.T.**

L: The Gospel of our Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

**Solo** *Above All* L. Leblanc & P. Baloché (©1999); arr. M. Hayes (©2005)

Above all powers, above all kings, above all nature and all created things; above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were there before the world began. Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, above all wonders the world has ever known; above all wealth and treasures of the earth, there's no way to measure what You're worth. Crucified, laid behind the stone; You lived to die, rejected and alone, like a rose, trampled on the ground, You took the fall and thought of me above all.

**Sermon** "The Once and future King"

The Rev. Dr. David Thompson

## We respond in Faith and service

- \* **Hymn of Faith** *Crown Him* **274**
- \* **Prayers for the World**
- Offering and Offertory** *My Shepherd Is The King Of Love (Dominus Regit Me)*  
H. Willan (1880-1968)
- \* **Doxology** **830**
- \* **Dedication of offering**

## Our Church Family Together

### Announcements

**Story** "The late night restaurant"

**Prayers for New St. James**

**The Lord's Prayer**

- \* **Hymn of Discipleship** *My shepherd is the King of Love* **691**
- \* **Commissioning and Benediction** *Sing Amen* **264**
- Postlude** *Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation (Westminster Abbey)*  
R. Proulx (©1993)



**Feliz Navidad 8 pm. Saturday, December 2**— Christmas begins here! Glorious gospel and traditional Christmas music with Denise Pelley, the Wesley-Knox choirs, Stephen Holowitz, band, directed by Karen Schuessler.

Tickets \$20. \$15 students and seniors, at Attic Books, Tuckey Home Hardware, Lambeth Art Gallery and Wesley-Knox, 91 Askin Street, London, (519)673-4803.

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER - two new programs have started**  
**Creative Hands - Mondays - 1:30-3pm** –For the new and experienced crafter. Bring your knitting, needlepoint, crochet, etc. or just show up and learn something new! Don't have supplies? No problem, we have extras!

**Monday Night Madness - 6:30 to 8 pm - Basketball** for grade 7 and up boys. Come out and have some friendly fun.

### Lectionary Bible Study

Please join us Tuesdays at 10:30 am until noon. Each week, we will discuss the sermon and scripture readings.

**2017 Christmas Luncheon**—Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre  
Ideal for family, friends, and staff Christmas lunches  
December 5, 6, 7, 8 12, 13, 14 and 15.

Hot Buffet and Dessert Table.— \$18 (HST included)  
Reservations Required Buffet at 12 noon  
Phone 519-824-7898  
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[www.crieffhills.com](http://www.crieffhills.com)



**Rohingya refugee crisis, 2017-18 Gifts of Change, Advent liturgies  
Canadian Government Matching Donations to Rohingya Crisis**

The Canadian government announced a 1:1 match for donations until November 28, 2017. This is on top of the 4:1 match from the government through CFGB. PWS&D is supporting a response that is supplying oil, lentils, sugar and salt for 18,000 refugees in Bangladesh. Please give today. This support is so crucial for women like Safiri and Toslima, who have faced incredible anguish and uncertainty since the military offensive wreaked havoc on their communities. Read their story.

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

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT**

All the women of New St James are asked to mark the evening of Monday, December 4 on their calendars for the seventh annual Advent by Candlelight Service. 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 NSJ Hall, 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, please complete the tear off slip below and put it in the offering plate.

I would like to be a guest at Advent by Candlelight dessert and fellowship on December 4.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NSJ Book Club** is reading *In His Steps: What Would Jesus Do?* Written by a Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, as a series of sermon stories and published as a novel in 1897. *In His Steps* remains popular today with over 30 million copies sold. Everyone is welcome to join the conversation. Two copies are available in the Stewart Library. We will meet at Pat Shavers home on Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM. For more information speak to Pat – 519 434 7973.



**Salvation Army Kettles – Valumart Richmond & Oxford**

Can you spare 3 hours between now and Christmas? The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle campaign is underway and there are 52 shifts available at the Valumart located just a block west of NSJ. Wouldn't it be great if our church 'adopted' this location to fill as many of those slots as possible? The commitment for you, and a friend, if you'd like, would be to be at the indoors kettle, smile, thank, & wish a Merry Christmas to those who pass by. A little bellringing for all donations would be in order as well. Shifts are 2.5 – 3 hours each, mostly in the afternoon or early evening. More information is available at [www.londonchristmaskettles.ca](http://www.londonchristmaskettles.ca) or see Frank Walsh who has a list of current open time slots.



THANKS to everyone in my New St James Church community for your support, love and encouragement as I prepared for this Eyecare Outreach. We are in Nicaragua from November 15 to 22 then into El Salvador from November 22-29. Please pray for smooth and safe travels, good health and most of all, great care for the communities and people we are serving. If you would like to read daily updates, there is a blog at [visionoutreach2017.blogspot.ca](http://visionoutreach2017.blogspot.ca). See you all in December!

Gayle Harrison

**Sunday Morning Christmas Caroling:** You are invited to join us in December on Sunday mornings before Christmas to enjoy caroling together before our worship service begins. The team of Eva Murray, on piano, and Bob Baron will lead us. On Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, be advised, caroling will commence time-permitting, after the church school is finished using the sanctuary for rehearsal. On Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> caroling is planned to be from 10 a.m. until 10:25. We're getting ready to celebrate the birth of the greatest gift ever. How can we keep from singing?!

# December 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 am ADVENT OF COMMUNION 12 pm ADVENT OF CANDLELIGHT REHEARSAL 3:30 pm CCNC	4 7 pm AA 6:30 pm ADULT BIBLE STUDY 7:30 pm ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT	5 10 am ACTIVITY DAY AT NSJ 10:30 am LECTIONARY STUDY 5 pm AMABILE	6 9:30 am INDOOR PLAYGROUND	7 9:30 am MOM'S GROUP 12 pm GLENGARRY 1:30 pm AL-ANON 6:30 pm WORSHIP COMMITTEE 7:30 pm AL-ANON 7:30 pm NSJ CHOIR REHEARSAL	8 12 PM WMS 7:30 pm AA	9 7 PM GASSI VOICE STUDIO'S GIFT OF SONG CHRISTMAS RECITAL
10 10:30 am WORSHIP SERVICE CHRISTMAS PAGAENT  3:30 pm CCNC CHOIR	11 7 pm AA	12 10 am ACTIVITY DAY AT NSJ 10:30 am LECTIONARY STUDY 5 pm AMABILE 7 pm HIGHLAND	13 9:30 am INDOOR PLAYGROUND	14 9:30 am MOM'S GROUP 1:30 pm AL-ANON  7:30 pm AL-ANON 7:30 pm NSJ CHOIR REHEARSAL	15 7:30 pm AA	16 3:30 pm AMABILE CONCERT
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