

**NewSt.JamesChurch**  
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”  
The Presbyterian Church in Canada  
Sunday, April 30, 2017 - 10:30 am



**Serving You Today**

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Scott Goud*

Welcome Team: *Dave & June Colwell, Dave & Marybeth Goodreau,  
John & Sonya Malone, Jim & Mary Anne Simpson, Susan Vallas*

Counters: *Volunteers*

Hall Shepherd: *Bob Baron*

Nursery: *Carol Fisher*

Church School: *Joanne MacPherson, Deb Noble-Van Hees, Monica Sass*

Hospitality: *CE*

Stewart Library: *Open every day*

**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**                      *We Walk By Faith And Not By Sight (Dunlap's Creek)*                      J. Biery (©1999)

\* **Entry of the Bible**

\* **Processional Hymn**                      *Come to us, beloved Stranger (Beach Spring)*                      **262**

### Call to Worship

L: As the risen Christ met the disciples just after daybreak on the beach,

C: **so may he meet us at the dawning of each new day.**

L: As the risen Christ met his followers in the twilight of the Emmaus road,

C: **so may he fill our lives with love and grace,  
more than we can ask or imagine.**

L: Let us worship God together.

**Introit**                                      *Lead Me, Lord*                                      S. Wesley (1810-1876)  
Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness; make Thy way plain before my face. For it is Thou, Lord – Thou, Lord, only – Who makes me to dwell in safety.

### Prayers of Approach and Confession

### Words of Assurance

## We Hear the Word of God

**Anthem**                                      *The Secret Of Christ*                                      R. Shephard (©1990)

For a long time I have held my peace, but now will I speak. I will lead the blind in a way they know not, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them. And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God; and on either side of the river was there a tree of life, and the leaves of the trees were for the healing of the nations. Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer with minds awake and thankful hearts, that we may share the secret of Christ with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage, following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our friend. Amen. [text: Rev. D. Walters from Isaiah 42, Rev. 22 and Col. 4]

## Unison Prayer for Illumination

As the Scriptures were opened to the disciples on the road to Emmaus and their hearts set ablaze, so may our hearts be kindled as we hear your Word proclaimed, O God, and receive it with joy. Amen.

**First Lesson**

I Peter 1:17-23

pg. 232 in N.T.

## Responsive Psalm 116

- <sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.  
<sup>2</sup> **Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**  
<sup>3</sup> The snares of death encompassed me;  
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.  
<sup>4</sup> **Then I called on the name of the LORD:  
'O LORD, I pray, save my life!'**  
<sup>5</sup> Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.  
<sup>6</sup> **The LORD protects the simple;  
when I was brought low, he saved me.**  
<sup>7</sup> Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.  
<sup>8</sup> **For you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears,  
my feet from stumbling.**  
<sup>9</sup> I walk before the LORD in the land of the living.  
<sup>10</sup> **I kept my faith, even when I said,  
'I am greatly afflicted';**  
<sup>11</sup> I said in my consternation, 'Everyone is a liar.'  
<sup>12</sup> **What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?**  
<sup>13</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,  
<sup>14</sup> **I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.**  
<sup>15</sup> Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.  
<sup>16</sup> **O LORD, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.  
You have loosed my bonds.**  
<sup>17</sup> I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.  
<sup>18</sup> **I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,**  
<sup>19</sup> in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.  
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.

**Gospel Lesson**

Luke 24:13-35

pg. 90 in N.T.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Duet** *We Walk By Faith* A. Krentz Organ (©2011)  
 We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here." We may not touch Your hands and side, nor follow where You trod; but in Your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!" Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound to call on You when You are near and seek where You are found. For You, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine: beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine. And when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light may we behold You as You are, with full and endless sight. [text: H. Alford (1810-1871)]

**Sermon** "God-moments on the road" Rev. Andrew Reid

**We Respond in Faith and Service**

\* **Hymn of the Faith** *At the dawning of salvation (Nettleton)* **248**

**Prayers of Concern**

**Offering and Offertory** *All Glory Be To God On High*  
*(Allein zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ)* J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)

\* **Doxology** **830**

\* **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

**Announcements**

**Our Church Family Together in the Sacrament of Baptism**

Campbell Douglas MacRae, son of Doug and Michelle  
 Lachlan Anderson MacRae, son of Andrew and Ashley

\* **Baptismal Hymn** *See Israel's gentle Shepherd stand (St. Peter)* **517**

\* **Apostles' Creed** **539**

**Presentation**

**Preamble**

**Vows of Parents**

Do you believe in God, our Creator and our Father, in Jesus Christ, our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit, our Guide and our Strength? I DO

Do you promise to raise your child in the love and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ in your home and within the fellowship of the Christian Church? I DO

## **Prayer of Consecration**

### **Baptism**

#### **Vow of Congregation**

People of God, I present to you now these children of God. Will you welcome them, guide them, and nurture them, by word and by deed, in love and in prayer; and will you encourage them in the way of Jesus Christ, as a faithful member of his church? **WE WILL.**

### **Declaration**

#### **The Aaronic Blessing**

#### **Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

Inside cover of Book of Praise

*	<b>Hymn of Discipleship</b>	<i>Alleluia No. 1</i>	<b>260</b>
*	<b>Commission and Response</b>	<i>Sing Amen</i>	<b>264</b>
*	<b>Benediction</b>		
	<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Gaudete</i>	J. Marsh (©1995)

## **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.

*“A heartfelt thank you to my many friends at New St. James for your kind wishes at my birthday celebration last Sunday. It was a truly wonderful time with friends and family.”*

Ruth Evans

### THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

<b>Monday, May 1</b>	7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, May 2</b>	10:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm	Activity Day @ NSJ Creative Hands Amabile Youth Singers
<b>Wednesday, May 3</b>	9:30 am 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Indoor Playground Presbytery Visit with Session Presbytery Visit with Congregation
<b>Thursday, May 4</b>	12:00 pm 1:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Glengarry Al-Anon Senior Youth Al-Anon NSJ Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, May 5</b>	7:30 pm	AA
<b>Saturday, May 6</b>	7:00 pm	Gassi Studio Recital
<b>Sunday, May 7</b>	10:30 am 3:30 pm	Anniversary Service CCNC

#### NOTE FROM THE MINISTER

I will be at Crieff Hills from Monday until Thursday this week, serving as a counsellor at a Guidance Conference. I can be contacted through the church office or on my cell-phone: 519-317-7401.

**Activity Day at NSJ!** Drop-in **Tuesdays** from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. There is a catered lunch for \$8.00 per person. Looking for shuffleboard and card players.

**CREATIVE HANDS** meet Tuesday afternoons to make feminine hygiene kits to go to Malawi. If you can pin, rip, cut, iron, fold, sew or serge, please join us between 1&3 pm in an upstairs classroom.

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

### **NOTICE OF VISITATION BY PRESBYTERY OF LONDON**

Please be advised that due to the upcoming retirement of Rev. Andrew Reid, a team from the Presbytery of London, will be coming to meet with the Session and Congregation of New St. James Presbyterian Church on the evening of Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

The purpose of a visitation at this time is for Presbytery to be fully aware of the accomplishments during the years of the current Minister's leadership. This will help us to know and understand the current programs, groups and activities within the church. We want to understand any concerns or challenges currently faced within this ministry, and to assure the Congregation that Presbytery is here to offer support, guidance, and assistance during this time of transition.

It is our wish that the members of Session, various groups and Congregation will feel free to discuss goals, and plans for the future of new St. James Presbyterian Church.

DATE OF VISITATION WEDNESDAY MAY 3, 2017  
Meeting with Session members commencing 6:30 pm  
Meeting with Congregation commencing 7:30 pm

Questions regarding this visit may be directed to:  
Ruth Ann Drozd, Convener,  
Vacancy and Visitation Committee,  
Presbytery of London (email [radrozd@lon.imag.net](mailto:radrozd@lon.imag.net) )

The **New Connection** newsletter deadline is Wednesday, May 10. Please email your articles to [Cathy Urquhart curquh0418@rogers.com](mailto:Cathy_Urquhart_curquh0418@rogers.com).



The New St. James Book Club book selection for May is *Run* by Ann Patchett. A thought provoking Novel about family, politics and religion set the 1980's in Boston. We have obtained a **“Book Club in a Bag”** from the London Public Library containing 12 copies of *Run* including an audiobook. Non-Book Club members are welcome to borrow and read a copy of our May Book Club selection by speaking to either Heather McDonald or Janet Hisey. Return dates are: at NSJ before Sunday, May 28, or at our Book Club meeting on the last Monday of the month – May 29 at 1:30 pm.

## 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.



Do you know that it only costs \$125 a month to provide a fortified porridge meal five days a week for the children in Timvane Children's Centre in Malawi?

### **Stewardship:**

Consider your possessions loaned to you by God.

*St. Catherine of Siena, (1347-1380),  
philosopher and theologian*



# CAMP KINTAIL GRADES 5 – 8

## JUNE 2 – 4

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GUEST SPEAKER

Rev.

James

"Labrador"

Clark

**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
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<b>Office Administrator</b>	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 am - 3:30 pm - Monday to Friday
<b>Custodian</b>	Mark McDonald - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
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