

St. James Presbyterian Church is a Christ-centered community where God is celebrated. We are committed to discerning and answering the Holy Spirit's call.

In response to God's call St. James is and will continue to be a spiritual community that:

Worships joyfully in a manner that is Scriptural, inspirational, educational, active, varied and prayerful.

Welcomes all in an open, inclusive, and caring manner, accepting that all are equal before God.

Honours and takes care of each other as we seek to know God together in the spirit of Christ.

Puts its faith into action visibly and tangibly in the surrounding community, serving through faith, speaking for Christ, and seeking justice.

Remains connected to its heritage of faith, reform, and active witness, and looks forward in faith and confidence to God's presence.

At the Kirk this week

Today	10:30am	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
	Elders:	Daphne Dumont & Murray Holmes
Monday	6:30pm	Session Meeting
	8:00pm	N. A. Meeting
Tuesday	1:00pm	Writer's Group
Wednesday	8:00pm	N. A. Meeting
Friday	9:00am	Friday Folders
	8:00pm	N. A. Meeting
Sunday	10:30am	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
	Elders:	Wayne McMillan & Stuart Matheson

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Church Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

"MAKE ROOM IN YOUR HEARTS FOR ..."

2 Corinthians 7:2



Jesus Teaching His Disciples the Parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14) in which a rich man invites the poor, blind, lame, and crippled to a feast after the original guests have declined the invitation.

Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Sunday, January 29th, 2012, 10:30 am

(* Those who are able are invited to stand. Responsive text is in bold.)

Prelude: *Prelude on "Slane"* G. Young

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn: *The love of God comes close* 474

Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

Junior Choir: *The kingdom of God is justice and joy* P. Bateman
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Unison Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Gracious God, in Jesus Christ you came to be-with us,
revealing the full light of your love to our dark world.
Through Him you call us to transform how we live and love.
In your wisdom you gave us a command
to love you and our neighbour alike,
and an example of how to live our lives in community.
Commissioned by Him to be His Body in the world –
to embody your Kingdom in all of our relationships –
we too often hold back and resist your call on our lives
as individuals and as a community of faith.
Forgive us, we pray, and animate our relationships,
challenge us to care deeply for one another,
as we come to know you together
in all that we say and do in His Name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: (Sung) (v. 4) 471

**All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, who is God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one,
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

*Hymn of Praise: *Jesus' hands were kind hands* 631

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

**God of Epiphany, we long to hear your Holy Word in fresh ways.
As this new year dawns, renew for us our calling as a community
so that in our love for others we may embody your grace. Amen**

First Reading: Luke 14:15-24 P. 78 NT

Second Reading: Acts 10:17-48 P. 129 NT

(L: *The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.*)

* Hymn: *Help us accept each other* 632

Sermon: *"Making Room in our Hearts for the Unexpected Guest"*
Rev. Geoff Ross

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *Thou shalt love* H. Beebe

Offering announcement

Offertory: *St. Columba* arr. R. Knight

* Doxology 830

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer (debts and debtors)

Returning To Service

* Recessional Hymn: *How clear is our vocation, Lord* 649

* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Praise, my soul* arr. A. Ridout

In Worship This Week

Minister:	Rev. Geoff Ross
Music Director/Organist:	Frances McBurnie
Scripture Reader:	Karen Forbes
Liturgist:	Janet Glass