

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:	Shauna Sullivan-Curley & Don MacKenzie
Tuesday	1:00pm	Writers Group
Wednesday	12:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Friday	9:00am	Friday Folders
Sunday	10:30am	First Sunday of Lent with Communion & Children's Worship
	11:45pm	Annual Meeting & Luncheon
	Elders:	Jane Wooldridge & David Ashby

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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



An engraving by David Martin (1639-1721) of the rich young man who comes to Jesus asking what he must do to have eternal life. The image depicts the young man leaving aggrieved after Jesus tells him he must sell his possession and give them to the poor.

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Sunday, February 19th, 2012, 10:30 am

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

Prelude: *Adagio*, from Concerto in g minor M. Bruch

Approach to Worship

Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn: *We have come at Christ's own bidding* 187

Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)

Introit: *Jesus on the mountain peak* C. V. Taylor

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: *Fairest Lord Jesus* 375

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

**Transforming God, as your people we long to hear your Word in
fresh new ways. Open our ears to the call of your voice, and our
eyes to the light of your presence. Amen**

First Reading: Matthew 19:16-26

P. 21 NT

Second Reading: Acts 5:1-11

P. 122 NT

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

* Hymn: *Help us to help each other, Lord* 489

Sermon: "Making Room in our Hearts for Authentic Community"

Rev. Geoff Ross

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *Behold the beauty of the Lord*

W. Anderson

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Prelude on "Belmont"*

F. Peeters

* 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: *Swiftly pass the clouds of glory* 186

* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Allegro, from Concerto in g minor*

M. Bruch

In Worship This Week

Minister:

Rev. Geoff Ross

Music Director/Organist:

Frances McBurnie

Scripture Reader:

Valerie Toms

Liturgist:

Paulette Hooley

Sound System:

David Toms