

Welcome to this service of worship. We begin by acknowledging the traditional territory upon which we gather this morning. For many thousands of years, the Mi' kmaq have sought to walk gently on this land. They offered assistance to the first European travellers to this territory and shared their knowledge for survival in what was at times a harsh climate. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in honour and deep respect.

**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.

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### At the Kirk this Week

Today:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service
Tuesday:	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service

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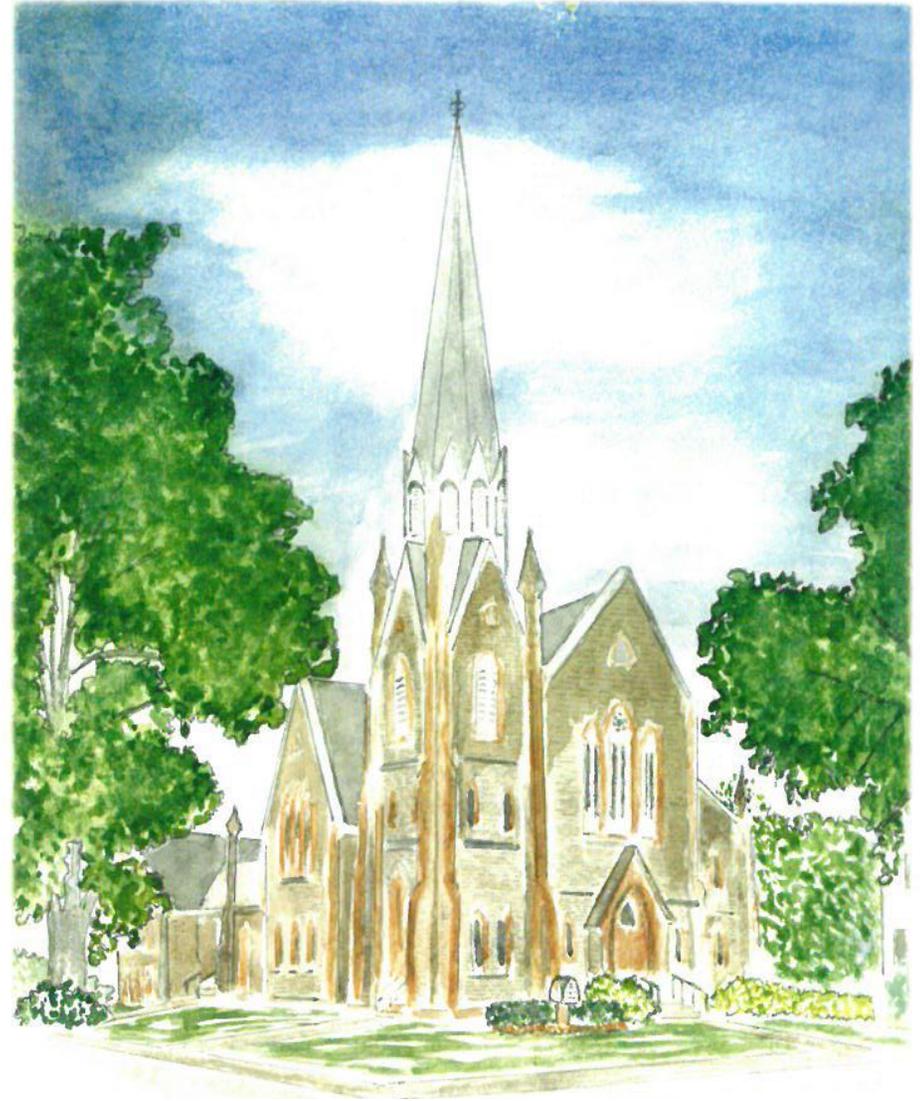
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## Order of Service

Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

**Prelude: Offertoire in E**

T. Dubois

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Hymn: *I danced in the morning***

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I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

**Refrain:** *Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
They came to me and the dance went on. **Refrain**

I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame,  
The holy people said it was a shame;  
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;  
And they left me there on a cross to die. **Refrain**

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;  
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the dance and I still go on. **Refrain**

They cut me down and I leap up high,  
I am the life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. **Refrain**

**Scripture Reading: Acts 8:26-40**

**John 15:1-8**

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**Hymn: *Like the murmur of the dove's song***

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Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight,  
Like the vigour of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the vine,  
To the church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer,  
With the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

**Sermon: "Water in the Wilderness"**

Rev. Dr. Kay S. Diviney

**Choir: *Now sing ye to the Lord***

G. Pitoni

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*debt and debtors*)

**Hymn: *God bless your Church with strength***

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God bless your church with strength! Wherever we may be,  
upbuild your servants as we work In common ministry.  
Urge us from fledgling faith to venture and to soar  
Through open skies to sing the praise of Christ whom we adore.

God bless your church with life! May all our branches thrive,  
Unblemished, wholesome, bearing fruit, abundantly alive.  
From you, one holy vine, in freedom may we grow;  
Sustain us in our mission, Lord, your love and peace to show.

God bless your church with hope! Despite chaotic days,  
May we in darkness shine to light a pathway through life's maze.  
May justice be our aim, and kindness ours to share;  
In humbleness oh may we walk, assured our God is there!

**Commission and Benediction**

**Choral Amen**

**Postlude: *Fugue in d minor BWV 565***

J. S. Bach

### In Worship This Week

Interim Minister:  
Music Director/Organist:  
Sound System:

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