

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.

At the Kirk this Week

Today:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service
Greeters:		David Hooley & Glenda Montigny
	11:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Practice
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service
Greeters:		David Harrison & Rodney Dekker
	2:30 p.m.	Melissa Lewis Recital

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Order of Service

Sunday, January 22nd, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Benedictus* M. Reger
Call to Worship
Welcome and Announcements
Prayer of Adoration
* Hymn: *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* 290
Inclusion Moment Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton
Introit: *Make to know thy ways* E. Daley
* Hymn of Praise: *Send me, Lord* (Vs. 1-2) 777
Children's Time
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
Hymn of Praise: *Send me, Lord* (Vs. 3) 777
Rite of Reconciliation
Invitation
Unison Prayer of Confession:
Faithful God,
you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost
yet it's hard to recognize we have lost our way.
We seek the next new thing instead of your gift of new life.
We follow the trends of our culture rather than Jesus' example.
Wash over us with your cleansing Spirit,
and renew our commitment to follow your purposes
revealed in Christ Jesus. Amen.
Assurance of Pardon
Sung Response (Vs. 3) 141
Good Christians, all rejoice with heart and soul and voice
Now you need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save,
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save; Christ was born to save.

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

As we listen to the familiar story of your coming among us as a child, open our minds and hearts so that we may hear the wondrous events with new understanding, with wisdom, and with joy. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7 P. 679 OT

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 40:1-11 (Burgundy Book) R. 1

New Testament Reading: John 1:29-42 Pg. 92 NT

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

* Hymn: *Christ, whose glory fills the skies* 177

Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *Come follow me* E. & S. Kupferschmid

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Prelude on "Greenland's Icy Mountains"* 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

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

Returning To Service

* Hymn: *May the mind of Christ my Saviour* 644

* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Fanfare* H. Willan

In Worship This Week

Minister: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Music Director/Organist: Frances McBurnie

Scripture Reader: Tim Rose

Sound System: David Hooley

Videographer: Barbara McPherson