

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 & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Katherine Burnett & Tim Rose
	11:45 a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Management Committee Meeting
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Valerie Toms & Rodney Dekker

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Order of Service

Sunday, November 19th, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Sonata in c minor, I: Grave, II: Adagio* F. Mendelssohn
Call to Worship
- * Processional Hymn: *Glory be to God the Father* 298
Prayer of Adoration
Welcome and Announcements
Introit: *The Lord is in his holy temple* W. H. Anderson
- * Hymn of Praise: *Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord* (Vs. 1) 476
Children's Time
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
Hymn of Praise: *Amigos de Cristo/Friends of the Lord* (Vs. 2) 476
Rite of Reconciliation
Invitation
Unison Prayer of Confession:
**Trusting God,
you placed your mission in our hands
and gave us gifts to accomplish amazing things in Jesus' name.
We confess sometimes we've taken credit
for what your love has done.
Sometimes we've called our own desires your will.
Sometimes we've stepped back and let others carry responsibilities.
Forgive us when we've failed to honour your trust in us.
Help us to grow in your love. Amen**
Assurance of Pardon
Sung Response 303
**Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.**

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

Holy God, open our ears, our minds, and our hearts. Help us to hear your word for us today.

Old Testament Reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 Pg. 874 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 90:1-12 (Burgundy Book) R. 1
New Testament Reading: Matthew 25:14-30 Pg. 28 NT
(L: *The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.*)

- * Hymn: *God, whose giving knows no ending* 663
Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

- Anthem: *Come, blessed Spirit* J. W. Franck
Offering announcement
Offertory: *Little Fugue in d minor* J. S. Bach
* 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

- * Recessional Hymn: *Thy kingdom come— on bended knee* 784
* Commission and Benediction
Choral Amen
Postlude: *Sonata in c minor, III: Allegro maestoso* F. Mendelssohn

In Worship This Week

- Minister: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton
Music Director/Organist: Frances McBurnie
Scripture Reader: Karen Forbes
Sound System: David Hooley
Videographer: Barbara McPherson