

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:		David & Paulette Hooley
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Katherine Burnett & Tim Rose

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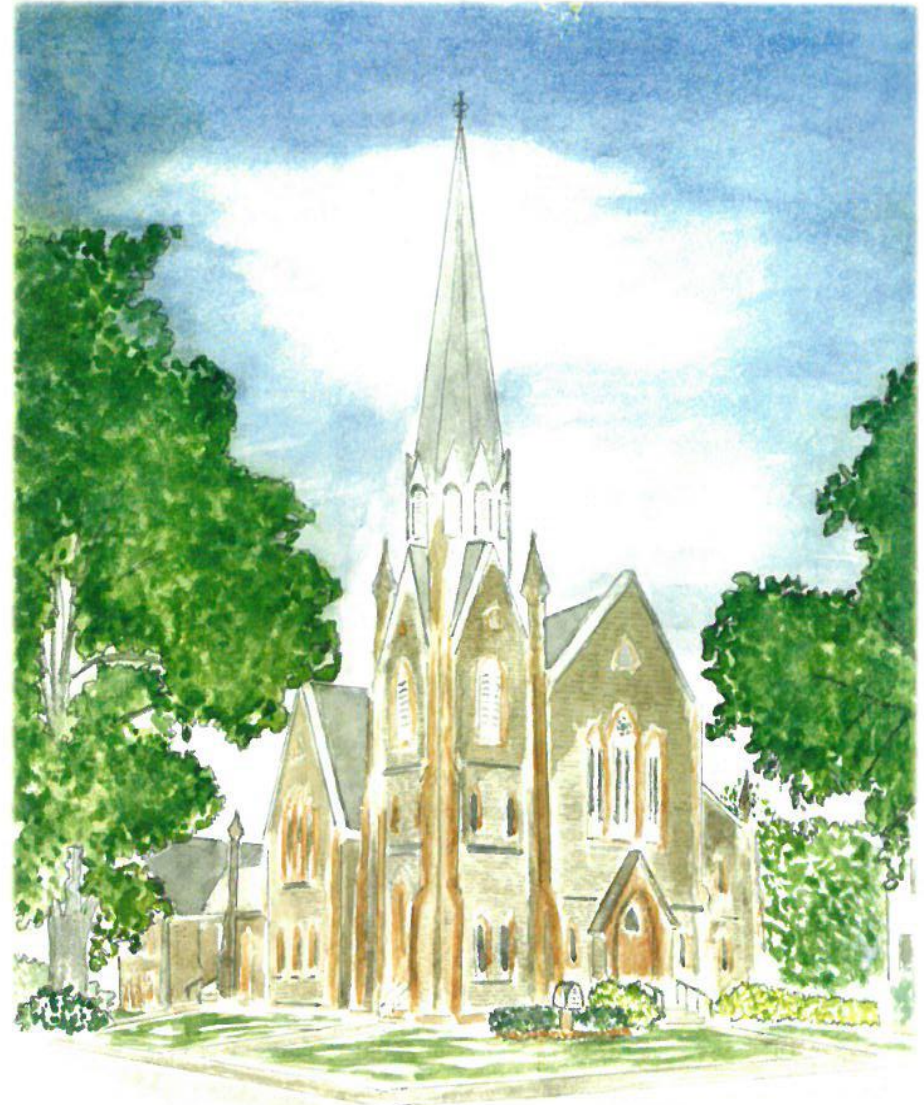
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Order of Service

Sunday, January 28th, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Cantabile* C. Franck
Call to Worship
* Processional Hymn: *All creatures of our God and King* 433
Prayer of Adoration
Welcome and Announcements
Introit: *Make me a clean heart* G. Thalben-Ball
* Hymn of Praise: *One more step along the road I go* (Vs. 1-2) 641
Children's Time
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
Hymn of Praise: *One more step along the road I go* (Vs. 3-4) 641
Rite of Reconciliation
Invitation
Prayer of Confession
Gracious God,
we confess there are many times we forget you.
We focus on what troubles us and ignore the help you offer.
We seek wisdom and meaning in the wrong places.
In thoughtless moments,
we harm the earth and each another.
Forgive us.
Remind us to live each day focused on your purposes
revealed in Christ who loves us. 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: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Pg. 698 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 111 (Burgundy Book) R. 1
New Testament Reading: Mark 1:21-28 Pg. 35 NT
(L: The Word of the Lord: **All: Thanks be to God.**)

- * Hymn: *Although I speak with angel's tongue* 695
Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *I went down to the river to pray* arr. A. Curry
Offering announcement
Offertory: *Little Prelude in G* 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: *Sometimes a healing word is comfort* 768
* Commission and Benediction
Choral Amen
Postlude: *Concerto in d minor, IV: Allegretto* G. F. Handel

In Worship This Week

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