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: Linda Evans & Glenda Montigny

11:45 a.m. Welcome Back BBQ

Wednesday: 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service & Children's Worship

Greeters: David & Paulette Hooley

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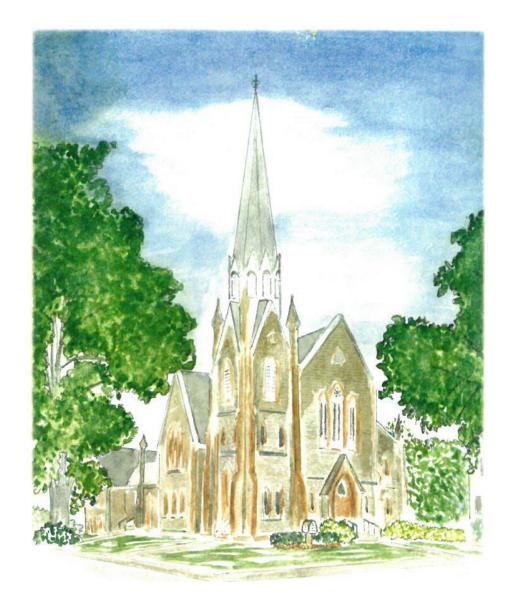
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#### Order of Service

# Sunday, September 15th, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

#### Approach to Worship

Prelude: Andantino H. Darke
Andante C. Wood

Call to Worship

\* Processional Hymn: Teach me, God, to wonder 704

Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: Blessed be the Lord E. Daley

\* Hymn of Praise: Jesus, friend of all the children (Vs. 1-2) 656

Children's Time: Blessing of the Backpacks

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

Hymn of Praise: Jesus, friend of all the children (Vs. 3) 656

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

O God.

our lives do not always reflect your transforming power.

You are gracious, but we cling to judgment.

You are kind, but we can be cruel.

You are forgiving, but we nurse grudges and old wounds.

Forgive us, O God.

Fill us with your Holy Spirit,

and make us new through Christ,

your Son and our Saviour. 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)

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 1:20-33	P. 584 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 19	R. 1
New Testament Reading: James 3:1-12	P. 230 NT
(L: The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.)	

\* Hymn: Be thou my vision 461

Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

## Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: Come to my heart, Lord Jesus J. Pinson

Offering announcement

Offertory: Come, O Almighty King H. Willan

\* 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: I sing the almighty power of God 333

\* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: Grand choeur in D major A. Guilmant

#### In Worship This Week

Minister: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Music Director/Organist: Frances McBurnie Scripture Reader: Doug Macmichael

Sound System: David Toms Videographer: Simon Lloyd