


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.	Advent 1 with Communion & Children's Worship
Greeters:		David Toms and Linda Evans
	11:45 a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Tuesday:	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Advent 2 & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Tim & Josephine Rose

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Advent 1 & Communion


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Order of Service

Sunday, December 1st, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Approach to Worship

Prelude: <i>Come, Redeemer of mankind</i>	J. S. Bach
Choir: <i>Come, thou long-expected Jesus</i>	E. Daley
Call to Worship	
* Processional Hymn: <i>Lo! Christ comes with clouds</i>	120
Prayer of Adoration	
Welcome and Announcements	
Junior Choir: <i>Light one candle</i>	N. Sleeth
Advent Liturgy and Prayer	(See Insert)
Lighting of the Advent Candle	
Advent Hymn: <i>Hope is a star</i>	(v. 1) 119
<i>Hope is a star that shines in the night, leading us on till the morning is bright. Chorus: When God is a child there's joy in our song. The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong, And none shall be afraid.</i>	

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)	
<i>God of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love, as we read your Holy Word, remind us of how You came to us as our Emmanuel – God with us, Amen.</i>	
Old Testament Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16	P. 738 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 25:1-10	R. 1
New Testament Reading: Luke 21:25-36	P. 85 NT
(L: <i>The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.</i>)	
Sermon:	Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: <i>He will be the love</i>	R. Schram
Offering announcement	
Offertory: <i>Hark! A thrilling voice</i>	arr. M. Archer

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table	
The Apostle's Creed (located on the inside back cover of the Book of Praise)	
* Hymn: <i>All earth is waiting</i>	109
Prayer of Dedication	
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (sung responses)	564
Lord's Prayer (sung) (debts and debtors)	831
Words of Institution	
Distribution of Elements	
Communion Hymn	
During Bread: <i>Creator of the stars of night</i>	(vs. 1-3) 111
During Wine: <i>Creator of the stars of night</i>	(vs. 4-6) 111
Prayer after Communion	

Returning To Service



* Recessional Hymn: <i>Come, thou long-expected Jesus</i>	110
* Commission, Benediction & Choral Amen	
Postlude: <i>Wake, awake, for night is flying</i>	J. S. Bach

In Worship This Week

Minister:	Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton
Music Director/Organist:	Frances McBurnie
Scripture Reader:	David Toms
Advent Candle:	Emily Merriam, Beth Stokes, Marius Lavoie, Tanner Burns
Sound System:	David Hooley
Videographer:	Simon Lloyd