


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:		Tim & Josephine Rose
	11:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Practice
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		David Harrison & Rebecca Wellner

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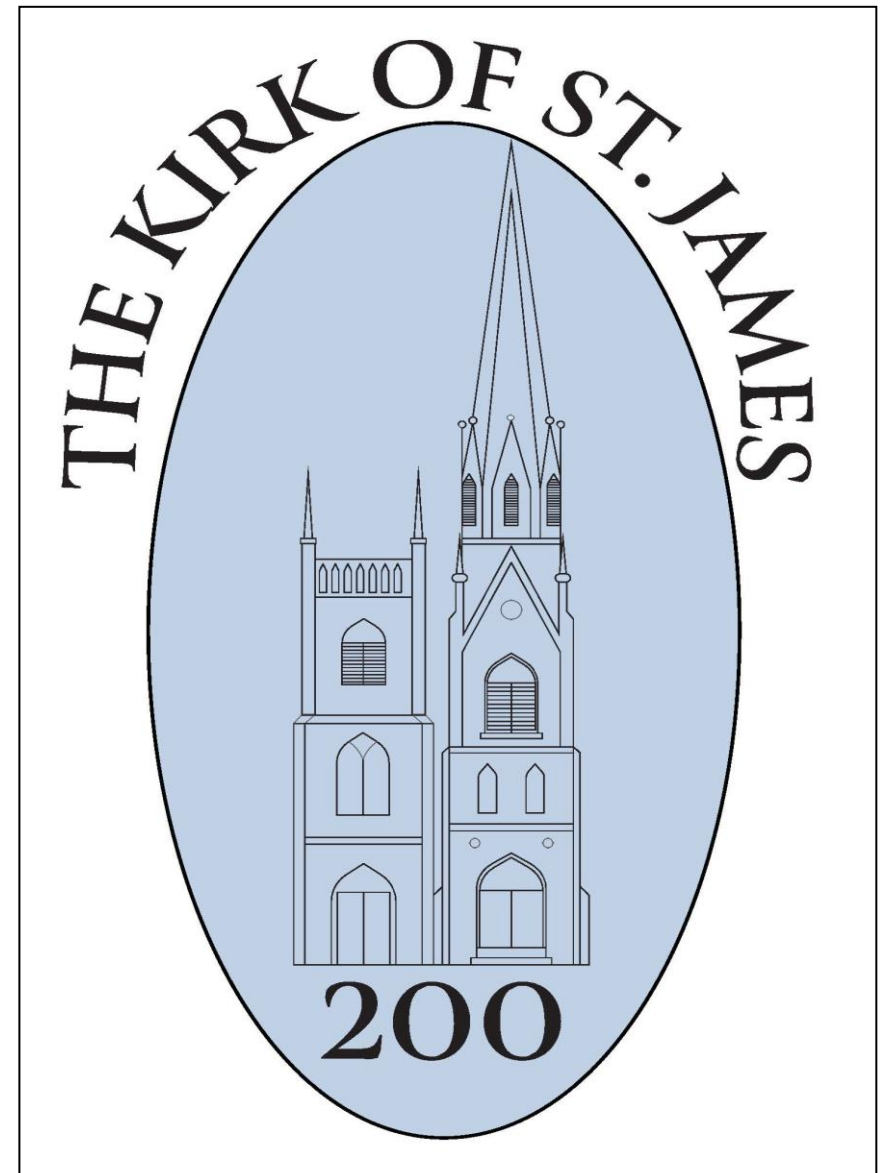
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Order of Service

Sunday, January 26th, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Intermezzo* J. Rheinberger
- Call to Worship
- * Processional Hymn: *Oh for a thousand tongues to sing* 374
- Prayer of Adoration
- Welcome and Announcements
- Introit: *Let us praise your name* J. Berthier
- * Hymn of Praise: *Jesus loves me* (Vs. 1-2) 373
- Children's Time
- (The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
- Hymn of Praise: *Jesus loves me* (Vs. 3) 373
- Rite of Reconciliation
- Invitation
- Prayer of Confession
- God of grace and harmony,
we confess we can be divisive when you call us to unity,
quarrelsome when you call us to seek peace,
and critical rather than caring.
We have grown used to our own ways
and cannot imagine you would ask us to change
even for the sake of the Gospel.
Forgive us when we mistake our familiar traditions for your truth.
Show us how we can witness to your love
through working and worshipping together. 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 Readings: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 P. 436 OT

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 19 R. 1

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a P. 174 NT

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

* Hymn: *In Christ there is no east or west* 480

Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *A commission of faith* J. Martin

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Larghetto, from Concerto #12* G. F. Handel

* Doxology: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;** 830

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: *Word of God across the ages* 497

* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Festal March from Rinaldo* G. F. Handel

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