


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:		Valerie Toms & Daphne Dumont
	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:		Tim & Josephine Rose

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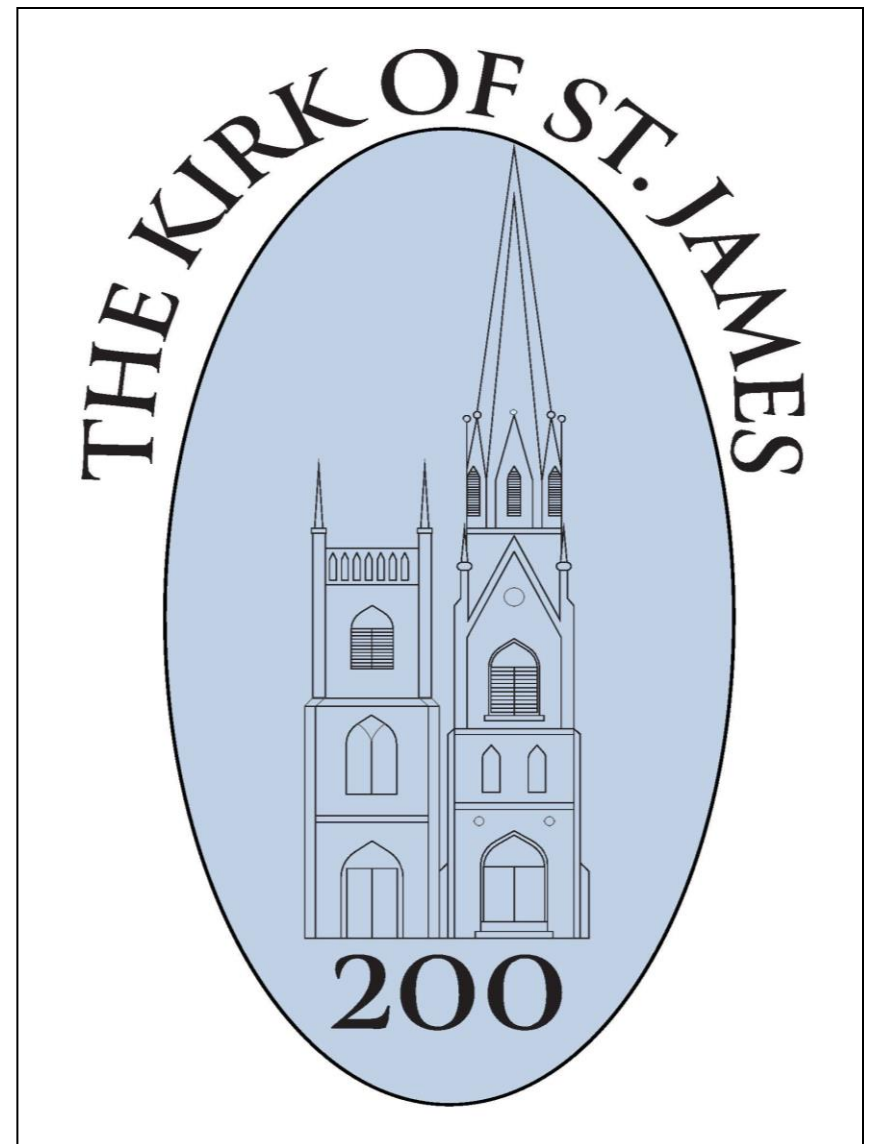
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Order of Service

Sunday, February 23rd, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Tranquilly* C. H. Parry
- Call to Worship
- * Processional Hymn: *God is here! as we your people meet* 799
- Prayer of Adoration
- Welcome and Announcements
- Introit: *Let thy face shine on thy servant* E. Daley
- * Hymn of Praise: *To show by touch and word* (Vs. 1-2) 763
- Children's Time
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
- Hymn of Praise: *To show by touch and word* (Vs. 3) 763
- 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 Readings: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 P. 12 OT

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 27 R. 1

New Testament Reading: Luke 13:31-35 P. 76 NT

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

- * Hymn: *In the bulb there is a flower* 674
- Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *Those who hope in the Lord* J. Shippey

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Liturgical Prelude #3* G. Oldroyd

- * 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: *All my hope on God is founded* 462

- * Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude: *Violin Concerto in D minor, III* Bach/Vivaldi

In Worship This Week

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