

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.	Anniversary Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		David Harrison & Daphne Dumont
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Kirk Ceilidh Fall Fair
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Rodney Dekker & Valerie Toms

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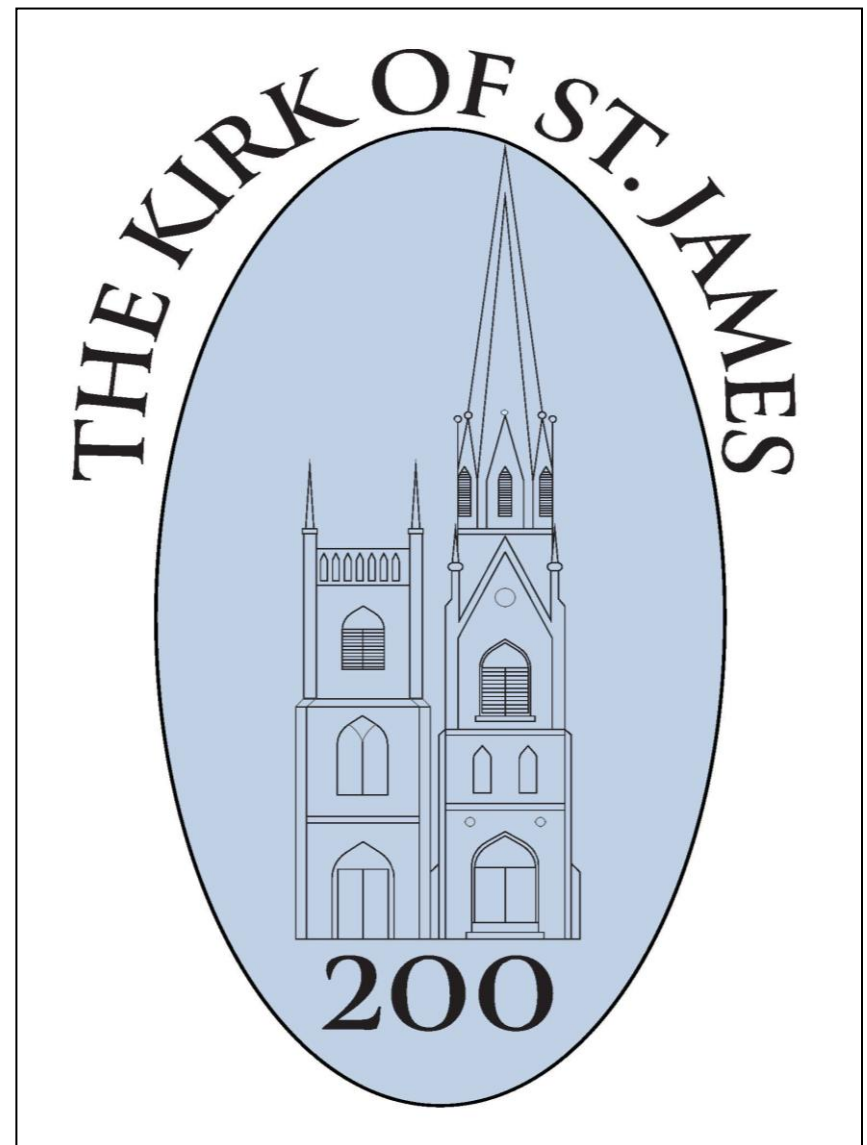
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200th Anniversary Service

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Order of Service

Sunday, October 19th, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

Prelude: *Aria, from Water Music* G. F. .Handel

Call to Worship

* Processional Hymn: *We are God's people* 472

Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: *Lift thine eyes* F. Mendelssohn

* Hymn of Praise: *I am the Church! You are the Church!* (Vs. 1-3) 475

Children's Time

Dedication of 200th Anniversary Plaque

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

Hymn of Praise: *I am the Church! You are the Church!* (Vs. 4-5) 475

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

**O Holy God, through the words of scripture you inspire us
to do what is right and good according to your ways.**

**We confess that we often turn away from you
and stop listening to your Word and your truth,
seeking out those teachings to support our desires and vices.**

**As we pursue our own interests we come to neglect those who are in need
and we ignore those who seek mercy in times of suffering.**

**As we turn from you and your commandments,
still expecting your mercy and forgiveness,
we acknowledge that we can be harsh in judging others
and are reluctant to forgive those who sin against us.**

**O Lord, our judge and redeemer,
forgive us and inspire us to do what you require of us.
Write your law upon our hearts,
that we might be equipped for every good work,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Sung Response:

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! 303
My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.

The Word Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)

**Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the spirit of
God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our
speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.**

Solo: *Psalm 23* (in Gaelic) Patricia Murray

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:27-34 P. 735 OT

New Testament Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 P. 213 NT

New Testament Reading: Luke 18:1-8 P. 81 NT

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

* Hymn: *Blest be the tie that binds* 481

Sermon: "Be Persistent" Rev. Jeffrey M. Murray

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *He watching over Israel* F. Mendelssohn

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Minuet from Water Music* 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 and Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (*debt and debtors*)

Returning To Service

* Recessional Hymn: *Now thank we all our God* 457

* Commission, Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude: *Agincourt Hymn* J. Dunstable

In Worship This Week

Guest Minister: Rev. Jeffrey M. Murray

Music Director/Organist: Frances McBurnie

Guest Soloist: Patricia Murray

Guest Piper: Ryan Simpson

Scripture Reader: David Harrison

Sound System: David Hooley

Videographer: Simon Lloyd