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**Christmas Office Hours: Closed between Christmas and New Years**  
**Re-opening Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

### Christmas Eve Service

#### St. James Presbyterian Church

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# Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 6:30 p.m.



(\* Those who are able are invited to stand)

## Approach to Worship

Prelude: *Christmas Concerto, I-IV*

A. Corelli

Call to Worship

\* Processional Hymn: *Once in Royal David's City*

Solo V.1, Congregation V. 2-4

**(Solo)**

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

**(Congregation)**

Christ came down to earth from heaven, who is God and Lord of all,  
Sheltered by a humble stable, cradled in a cattle stall;  
With the poor oppressed and lowly, lived on earth our Saviour Holy.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through His own redeeming love,  
For that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads His children on to the place where He is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,  
We shall see him; but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high;  
There God's children gather round, bright like stars, with glory crowned.

## Lighting of the Christ Candle

Christmas Eve Liturgy

(See Insert)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

\* Hymn: *O come, all ye faithful*

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## The Word Proclaimed

Five lessons and carols

First Lesson: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

(638 OT)

Choir: *Zither Carol*

trad. Czech

Second Lesson: Luke 1:26-38 (56 NT)

\* Hymn: *Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming* 151

Third Lesson: Matthew 1:18-23 (1 NT)

Jr. Choir: *On the night that Jesus was born* D. Ouchterlony

Fourth Lesson: Luke 2:1-16 (58 NT)

\* Hymn: *'Twas in the moon of wintertime* 144

Fifth Lesson: Matthew 2:1-11 (2 NT)

\* Hymn: *What child is this* 161

Meditation: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Choir: *All bells in paradise* J. Rutter

## Response and Thanksgiving

Offering announcement

Offertory: *Christmas Concerto: Pastorale* A. Corelli

Offertory Prayer

Solo: *O holy night* A. Adam

## Departing

\* Recessional Hymn: *Joy to the World* 153

\* Blessing

\* Hymn: *Silent Night* 154

Postlude: *Gesu Bambino* P. Yon

## In Worship this Evening

Minister: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Music Director/Organist: Frances McBurnie

Scripture Reader: Jennifer Moss

Advent Candle: MacWilliams Family

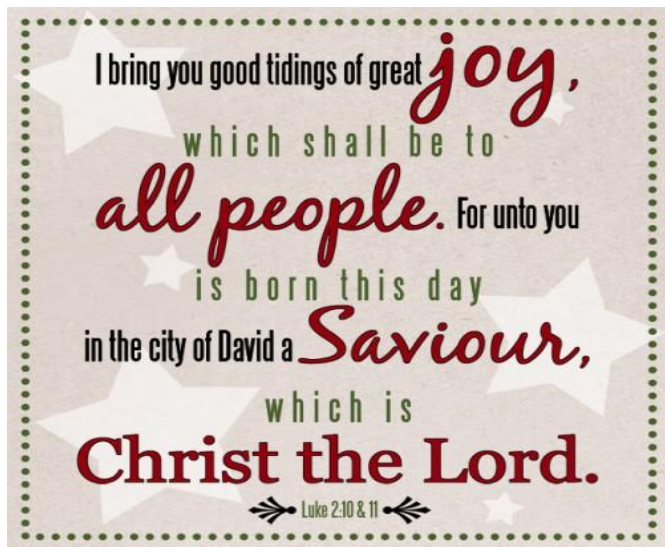
Soloists: Emily Merriam, Marius Lavoie

Violinists: Connie and Judy Yun

Guitarist: Charlotte Lloyd

Sound System: Simon Lloyd

Videographer: Barbara McPherson



## Kirk News

### Welcome

Welcome to St James Presbyterian Church. We are so joyful to have you with us tonight! We pray this service will be one of peace and hope for you as we celebrate Immanuel—God with us!

### Thank you

Thank you to Connie and Judy Yun, violins, for once again allowing us to enjoy the wonderful Christmas Concerto of Corelli. Thank you to Marius Lavoie for the beautiful solo and to Charlotte Lloyd for playing the guitar. Also, thank you to the choir for their wonderful music.



### Holiday Office Hours



The office will be open Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9 – 2 p.m. and closed starting on the 24<sup>th</sup> and re-opening on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.

### 2025 Donations

If you have a donation for 2025 then please be sure to place it in the offering plate today or on Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>. Donations may also be placed in the mail by December 27<sup>th</sup> or submitted by e-transfer to [kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com](mailto:kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com). (Don't forget to send us the password!)

### Nursery and Sunday School

There will be no nursery or Sunday School on December 28<sup>th</sup> or January 4<sup>th</sup>. They will both resume on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

### Offering Envelopes


Offering Envelopes for 2026 are available for pick up at the entrance of the Church.

### Pastoral Care

If any pastoral care concerns arise then please contact Rev. Amanda at 902-894-5382.







The Poinsettias decorating  
the church today have been given  
to the Glory of God and in loving  
memory of the following people:

***Mr. & Mrs. Reginald Ashby***

***Mr. & Mrs. J. Gordon Forbes***

By David & Christy Ashby

***Bartlett and McIver family members***

By Helen Bartlett & Family

***Rev. Dr. John Cameron***

By the Family

***Stuart & Wilma Chandler***

By the Chandler Family

***Frances Cudmore & daughter Joanne***

By Dr. Doug Cudmore, Heather, Stephen, Andrew & families

***Brendan Curley, Lyn Sullivan, Allan & Dawn Sullivan***

By Shauna Sullivan Curley & Family

***Charles & Margaret Walsh***

***Ronnie & Charlene Chisholm, Adam & Trudy Horton***

By Marjorie Dart & Family

***Jonathan MacAdam***

By Gillian Darte, Ashley MacAdam, Kathy & John Darte

***Clint Evans***

By Linda, Matthew, Sarah, Anna, Jenny & Families


***Rev. Ian Glass***

By Janet, Linda, Nancy, Suzanne & Families

***Arthur & Muriel Clark, & their children Adele,***

***Frances, Roger, & Donald***

By the Godfrey, Clark, & Cudmore Families



***Alan Godfrey***  
By Linda, Jennifer, Alex, Jonathan & Families  
***Norma Edwards, Helen Halliwell***  
***George Halliwell, Sr.***

By Michele Halliwell & Family

***Marion & Newton Large***

By Janet Corish, Alarn Large & Families

***Bert & Gladys Larkin***

By John & Sharon Larkin & Family

***Dr. Gordon & Mary Lea, Bill Lea***

***Maurice & Dorothy Robidoux***

By the Lea Family

***Rosemary (Hill) Lloyd & William Smith***

By Simon & Jocelyne Lloyd & Family

***Everett & Louise MacFarlane, Jill Moore***

By the MacFarlane and Moore Families

***Harold McBurnie, Frank & Jean Smith***

***Gordon & Madeline McBurnie***

By Frances McBurnie

***Ted & Judy Chambers, Andy & Olive Lowe***

***W. W. "Bud" Allen, Michael Richard Robinson***

By the Robinson Family

***M. Giovanna & Donato Confalone***

By Tim & Josephine Rose

***In memory and celebration of our loved ones***

By Ian & Daphne Scott

***Lloyd ("Buzzy") & Joan Wellner***

***Lloyd & Marjorie Wellner, Harry & May MacDougall***

By Barbara Holt & Rebecca Wellner

***Albert & Vinie Wooldridge and Bert & Gladys Larkin***

By Donnie & Jane Wooldridge & Family