

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.



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### At the Kirk this Week

Today:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		David Harrison & Josephine Rose
	11:30 a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Tuesday:	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Daphne Dumont & Rodney Dekker

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## Order of Service

**Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, 10:30 a.m.**

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

### Approach to Worship

- Prelude: *Ciconia in f minor* J. Pachelbel  
Call to Worship  
\* Processional Hymn: *Christ is made the sure foundation* 482  
Prayer of Adoration  
Welcome and Announcements  
Introit: *My song shall be of mercy and judgment* J. Clark & L. Mason

### Elder Ordination

- Joan MacFarlane, Doug Macmichael, Jennifer Moss, Tim Rose*  
Service of Ordination of New Elders (See Insert)  
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)  
\* Hymn: *You are called to tell the story* 583

### The Word Proclaimed

- Prayer for Illumination: (Unison)  
**O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and courage to follow on the path you set before us this Easter season. Amen.**

- New Testament Reading: Acts 7:55-60 P. 126 NT  
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 R. 1  
New Testament Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10 P. 233 NT  
(L: *The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.*)

- \* Hymn: *With the Lord as my guide* 574  
Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

### Response and Thanksgiving

- Anthem: *Sing, be joyful* H. Purcell  
Offering announcement  
Offertory: *Prelude on "Caswall"* P. Hurford  
\* Doxology: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
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: *Those who wait on the Lord* 662  
\* Commission and Benediction  
Choral Amen  
Postlude: *Toccata in C* J. Pachelbel

### In Worship This Week

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