

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
Greeters:		Tim & Josephine Rose
Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Kirk Summer Recital
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service
Greeters:		David & Paulette Hooley

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Order of Service

Sunday, August 9th, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

Prelude: <i>Intermezzo, from Cavalleria Rustica</i>	P. Mascagne
Call to Worship	
* Hymn: <i>God of the sparrow, God of the whale</i>	307
Prayer of Adoration	
Welcome and Announcements	
Solo: <i>In native worth</i>	F. J. Haydn
Rite of Reconciliation	
Invitation	
Prayer of Confession	
<i>Merciful and patient God, we confess that we still experience fear and doubt, even though you reach out to us with saving grace. You call us to live with courage and perseverance, yet we can give up too easily and opt for the safer route. You encourage us to be bold in our struggles for justice, yet we remain silent in the face of unfairness. Forgive us all the times we let you down. Renew our lives through your mercy and grace. Amen.</i>	
Assurance of Pardon	
Sung Response	303
<i>Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.</i>	

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.

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:9-18	P. 326 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 85:8-13	R. 2
New Testament Reading: Matthew 14:22-33	P. 16 NT
(L: The Word of the Lord: All: Thanks be to God.)	

* Hymn: <i>Dear Father, Lord of humankind</i>	451
Sermon:	Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Solo: <i>Domine Deus</i>	G. Rossini
Offering announcement	
Offertory: <i>St. Magnus</i>	arr. C. S. Lang
* Doxology: <i>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.</i>	830

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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

Returning to Service

* Hymn: <i>Eternal Father, strong to save</i>	325
* Commission and Benediction	
Choral Amen	
Postlude: <i>Prelude in Classical Style</i>	G. Young

In Worship This Week

Minister:	Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton
Music Director/Organist:	Frances McBurnie
Guest Musician:	Ian Soloman
Scripture Reader:	Jo Rose
Sound System:	Simon Lloyd
Videographer:	Barbara McPherson