

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:		Linda Evans & David Harrison
	11:45 a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Tuesday:	6:30 p.m.	Session Meeting
Wednesday:	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday:		Office Closed
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Daphne Dumont & Katherine Burnett

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Order of Service

Sunday, November 1st, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

Prelude

Call to Worship

* Processional Hymn: *Through all the changing scenes of life* 18

Prayer of Adoration

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: *Their bodies are buried in peace* G. F. Handel

* Hymn of Praise: *Shall we gather at the river* (Vs. 1-2) 797

Children's Time

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

Hymn of Praise: *Shall we gather at the river* (Vs. 3-4) 797

Rite of Reconciliation

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

**You know our hearts, the times we truly loved one another
and the times we merely tolerated each other.**

**You know our minds, the times we truly focused on you
and the times we pursued our own purposes.**

**Forgive us those times we went our own way,
and renew our commitment to live lives marked by your grace.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Sung Response 303

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!

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.**

Old Testament Reading: Micah 3:5-12

P. 863 OT

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 43

R. 1 of Psalm 42

New Testament Reading: Matthew 23:1-12

P. 25 NT

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

* Hymn: *Be still, my soul*

749

Sermon:

Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Solo: *Then shall the righteous shine forth*

F. Mendelssohn

Offering announcement

Offertory

* 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: *For all the saints*

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* Commission and Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude

In Worship This Week

Minister:

Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Music Director/Organist:

Frances McBurnie

Soloist:

Peter Young

Scripture Readings:

David Harrison

Videographer:

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