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.

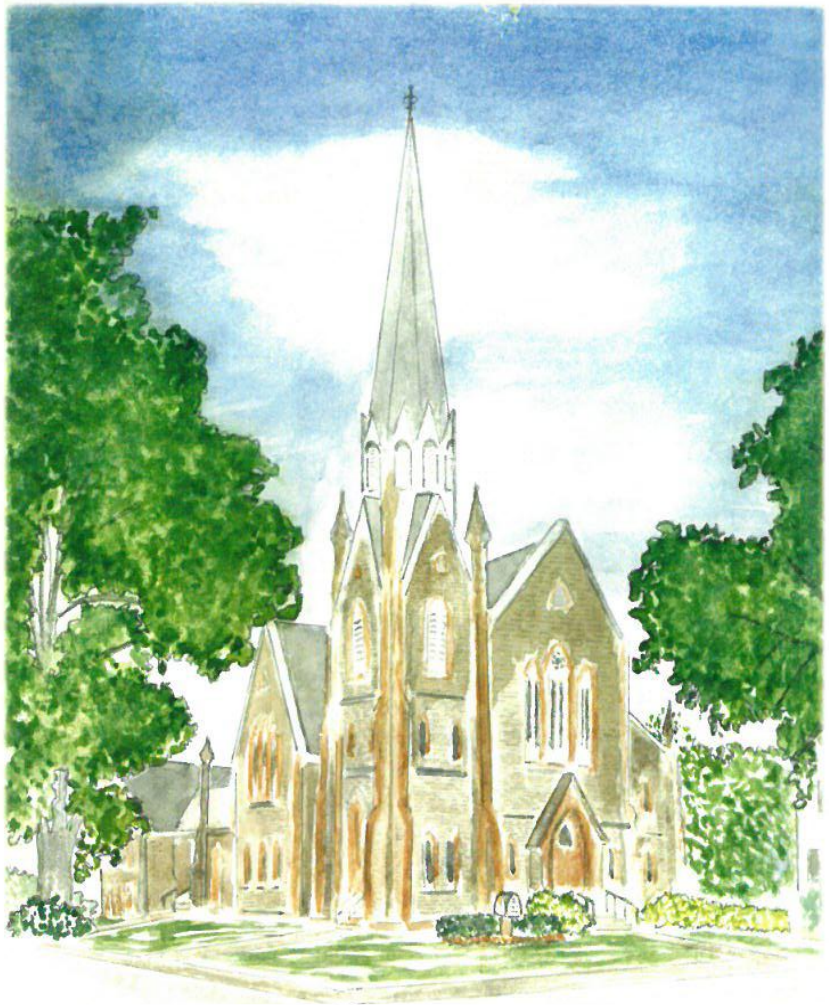
At the Kirk this Week

Today:	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service & Children's Worship
Greeters:		Rodney Dekker & Glenda Montigny
	11:45 a.m.	Junior Choir Practice
Wednesday:	9:30 a.m.	Congregational Care Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Advent Taize Service
	7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sunday:	10:30 a.m.	Advent 1 with Communion & Children's Worship
Greeters:		David Harrison & Linda Evans

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Order of Service

Sunday, November 22nd, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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

Approach to Worship

Prelude: *Aria and Var. 3 from the Goldberg Variations* J. S. Bach
Call to Worship
* Processional Hymn: *All people that on earth do dwell* 65
Prayer of Adoration
Welcome and Announcements
Introit: *My inmost heart* J. S. Bach

* Hymn of Praise: *Amigos de Cristo* (Vs. 1) 476
Children's Time
(The children are to follow the banner to the Children's Worship Service)
Hymn of Praise: *Amigos de Cristo* (Vs. 2) 476

Rite of Reconciliation
Invitation
Prayer of Confession

God of wisdom and warning,
we confess that we often prefer our own plans to your purposes.
We shrink from acts of service that seem too demanding.
Forgive us when our commitment wavers
and we think someone else will take up the challenges we face.
Inspire us with the example of Jesus,
and energize us with your Spirit to follow him as our Shepherd,
wherever he leads. 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: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 P. 803 OT
Responsive Psalm: Psalm 95:1-7a R. 1
New Testament Reading: Matthew 25:31-46 P. 29 NT
(L: The Word of the Lord: ***All: Thanks be to God.)***
* Hymn: *Come now, you blessed, eat at my table* 724
Sermon: Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton

Response and Thanksgiving

Anthem: *Lord, have mercy* P. Choplin
Offering announcement
Offertory: *All for Jesus* arr. M. Archer
* 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: *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun* 275
* Commission and Benediction
Choral Amen
Postlude: *Chaconne* L. Couperin

In Worship This Week

Minister:	Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton
Music Director/Organist:	Frances McBurnie
Scripture Readings:	Jim Macnutt
Videographer:	Shauna Sullivan Curley