

New St. James Presbyterian Church

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada

“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”

Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Clark

Director of Music: Torin W. Chiles

Reader: Bruce Curtis

Choristers: Janaki Butterworth, Nathan Dyck, Ariel Harwood-Jones,
Robert Hutson, and Angela Myshkowsky

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude *Variations on Amazing Grace*

D. P. Dahl (2010)

* **Processional Hymn** Oh send thy light forth (ST. PAUL)

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* **Responsive Call to Worship** Psalm 42:1-2

As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.
My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Word of Assurance (sung in unison) Psalm 103:12, 22 (DUNLAP'S CREEK)

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As far as east is from the west,
so far God bears away
our sins and all our brokenness;
bless God, my soul, this day!

Welcome

We Hear the Word of God

* **Children's Hymn** As the deer (AS THE DEER)

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Word to the Children

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson I Kings 19:1-15

p. 326 in O.T.

Responsive Psalms Psalms 42 and 43

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?
My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:

how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar.

Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts;

all your waves and your billows have gone over me. By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me?"

Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?"

As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me,
while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.
 Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people;
 from those who are deceitful and unjust deliver me!
For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you cast me off?
Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy?
 O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
 let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.
 Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy;
 and I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.
Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.
Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Saviour and my God.

* **Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel Lesson Luke 8:26-39

p. 68 in N.T.

Sermon "For I Shall Again Praise Him"

The Rev. Dr. David Clark

We Respond in Faith and Service

* **Hymn** As pants the hart (MARTYRDOM) **26**

Offering and Offertory *Andante con moto* F. Peeters (1903-1986)

* **Doxology** (OLD 100TH) **830**

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. Amen.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

Solo *O Saviour, Hear Me* C. W. Gluck (1714-1787); arr. D. Buck (1839-1909)
 O Saviour, hear me I implore thee. In thee alone can peace be found. Thou canst sustain and thou
 canst restore me; whate'er the cares that hover around. *Hear my supplication. Turn on me thy loving*
eyes. Lord, I long for thy salvation, and would fain attain the prize. When cares of earth to me seem
 heavy, heartsore, I seek of thee relief. Thy grace remaineth ever ready to soothe my pain, to
 assuage my grief. *Hear my supplication...*

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession, Commemoration, and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

* **Recessional Hymn** All my hope on God is founded (MICHAEL) **462**

* **Commission, Benediction, and Threefold Amen** (DANISH) **780**

Postlude *My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness, Lord (Kingsfold)* D. Cherwien (1995)

Announcements

Welcome to today's worship service. We are grateful that you have joined us! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign the **Guest Book** in the Narthex, located at the back of the Sanctuary. An Usher would be pleased to offer you directions.

Highland Group welcomes young children into **the nursery**, outside the west doors of the Sanctuary.

Please join us following worship for **refreshments and fellowship** in New St. James Hall.

This summer, New St. James is offering **Vacation Bible Camp!** This ministry will be under the direction of Jenna Smith, who will be working with Rev. David's support. The dates are July 7-11, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. For more details, and to register, please visit: www.newstjames.ca/VBC

The **Mission and Social Action Committee**, on behalf of the congregation, has donated \$800 to the Canadian Red Cross for wildfire relief. The Canadian Government will match this donation.

Summer Lemonade: Starting on July 6, lemonade will be served after the service for our time of fellowship. Someone is needed each week to prepare this. Instructions are provided and all equipment needed will be on the counter. Please look at the list that has been posted on the bulletin board in New St. James Hall and see if there is a Sunday that you could help. It is easy preparation and easy clean up. For further information, please contact Karen Buchwald (519.641.6742 or karenbuchwald@hotmail.com). Thank you in advance for helping!

Marketplace 2025: Women's Council is excited to announce that this year's Marketplace will take place on Saturday, November 8. Rhubarb is ready and so are strawberries so it is time to make some jam for our Preserve Table. We have some jars available if you would like some. If anyone has half pint or pint jars that they will not be using, and would be willing to donate, please leave them in the lower kitchen. It will be difficult to match the amazing results from last year's sale but with your help making merchandise for us to sell, we will try our best, and hopefully do even better! Please help us to help our church! For any further information, please contact Karen Buchwald at 519.642.6742 or karenbuchwald@hotmail.com.

The Session of New St. James has appointed Iver Clark as the **Church Librarian** under the supervision of Mike Ruggi. During the coming months, Iver will be working to update and reorganize the Church Library. In order to facilitate this cataloging process, everyone is encouraged to return books held on long-term loan.

Did you know that if, on average, each member of NSJ increased their givings by only \$1.73 per week, that would add up to more than \$20,000 more for the ministry of our church? Together our givings make a big difference--and a little extra goes a long way!

There are now several options for you to provide regular **financial support** to New St. James:

- For Offering Envelopes, please call the Church Office (519.434.1127)
- Cheques may be mailed to NSJ: 280 Oxford St. E., London, ON N6A 1V4
- Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) it is a convenient way to give—and the church benefits from your steady contributions. Contributions are automatically debited from your bank account on the 20th of each month. To sign up for PAR, call the Church Office or visit www.newstjames.ca/donate-2
- To make an offering through e-transfer, please email Felicia Pereira (Office Administrator) at admin@newstjames.ca

Income Tax statements are issued by New St. James each year by the end of February.

Thank you for supporting the life and mission of New St. James!