



St. James
Anglican | Dundas



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Welcome to this time of worship!

Thank you for joining St. James today. It is good that you are here! If you are visiting or looking for your spiritual home, please make yourself known to us. We welcome your presence with us.

During our worship today please remember:

We are pausing our mask mandate for the time being. Masks are highly encouraged but the choice of wearing a mask in the church building is based on personal circumstances and tolerance for risk. During the sharing of the peace some people may not feel comfortable with close contact.

Children are welcome here at Saint James! Children can gather in 'The Prayer Ground' at the beginning of the service. If this is your first time here, please go with your child to meet the leader and inform them of any allergies or special needs. For those not wanting to leave their parents, the prayer-ground is available throughout the service.

An offering plate is located at the entrance to the church sanctuary. If you wish to make a gratitude offering for the blessings from God in your life, simply place the offering on the plate before the time of the offertory hymn or e-transfer your donation at saintjamesgiving@gmail.com. Your gift will be used to support the varied ministries of St. James. Take a moment to give thanks to God for the blessings in your life today.

The service is being livestreamed and recorded for viewing online.

The congregation responses are in **bold** type.

Prelude: *'Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring'*

Johann S. Bach

Welcome & Announcements

Territorial Acknowledgement

(Please stand as you are able)

One We gather on the territory traditionally inhabited by the Haudenosaunee and the Anishinaabe nations acknowledged in the Dish with One Spoon wampum belt.

All We commit ourselves to the work of truth and reconciliation with the Original Peoples of this land in a relationship of honour and mutual respect.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *What Is Our Mission in This Place*

(Tune: Kingsfold)

What is our mission in this place,
our vision for these days?
Our homes alive with love for God
our cities filled with praise!
The church a true community
to serve our neighbourhood;
friends gathered round by Jesus Christ
at work for all, for good.

To welcome everyone in need
with free, affirming care;
to hear God's word, to teach God's truth,
God's justice find and share:
to send, and to be sent ourselves
and look for opening doors
along the street, or nationwide,
or far beyond our shores.

To build in partnership with Christ,
to pray 'Your Kingdom come',
that he who changed us at his cross
will heal this place, our home.
O Holy Spirit, move our hearts;
mend us and make us one,
in beautiful variety
our heaven on earth begun!

The Gathering of the Community

- One God be gracious to us and bless us
and shine your face upon us,
**All that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**
- One Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
**All Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**
- One Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
**All The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.**
- One God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere you, O God.
All Amen.

The Collect

The Priest will lead a prayer collecting together our thoughts for the day.

- One Your hand is upon your people, O God,
to guide and protect them through the ages.
Keep in your service
those you have called and anointed,
that the powers of this world may not overwhelm us,
but that, secure in your love,
we may carry out your will
in the face of all adversity. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading (1 Samuel 8:4-20, 11:14-15) *Please be seated*

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us,

like other nations.’ But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, ‘Give us a king to govern us.’ Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.’ So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, ‘These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plough his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.’ But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, ‘No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.’ Samuel said to the people, ‘Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.’ So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

One Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading (*2 Corinthians 4:13- 5:1*) *Please be seated*

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—‘I believed, and so I spoke’—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

One Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

All **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN CP 354 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

The Gospel (*Mark 3:20-35*)

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

One God be with you

All **and also with you**

One Hear the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, O Jesus Christ**

And the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, ‘He has gone out of his mind.’ And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, ‘He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.’ And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, ‘How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder

his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.' Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

One The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, O Jesus Christ

Homily

The Rev. Canon Leslie Gerlofs

Prayers of the People

(standing, sitting or kneeling as is comfortable)

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the priest begins.

One Blessed be the Holy Trinity, +one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy. **Amen.**

One Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.
God, our provider,

All **help us.**

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in
you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

One Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

The Peace

One The peace of Christ be with you all.
All And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN CP 601 *God Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

Prayer over the Gifts

One Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
**All Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

One The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

One Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.

One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One Faithful God,
we rejoice in spirit and in truth
to celebrate the weight of your glory,
for even when we perceive you
with foolish and self-seeking hearts,
you still redeem our waywardness with your grace.
You destined us from before the foundation of the world
to be your companions through your Son Jesus Christ;
and though your chosen people sought to be like other
nations and though your church forgets that its foundation
and purpose is you,
still you do not forget us.
Through your Son's cross
you dismantled the power of sin and death
and made a new family of all who do your will.
And so with glad and grateful hearts,
we sing your unending praise with angels and archangels,
and all the company in heaven.

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, CP 732
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessèd, is the one who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

One God of incarnation,
in Jesus you made an earthly tent
in which to dwell among us;
you raised him from the dead
that we might tabernacle with you forever.
Make yourself known among us today
in this tent of meeting you set up with us.
Through your Holy Spirit make the crucified and risen Lord
present to us.
Make us holy through him
that we might behold your glory.

By that same Spirit sanctify this bread and wine,
that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ;
who, at supper with his disciples,
took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.'
After supper he took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

One Liberating God,
visit your children
who are enslaved by the harshness of others.
Raise up your people
when their sons are pressed into servitude
and their daughters are made playthings of the powerful.
Transform the hearts of rulers
that they may use their power to set people free
and exert their influence to promote flourishing life
for all under their authority.
Unshackle any who live under the shadow of oppression
and let them go;
until the day you bring us into your one eternal presence,
transforming every sorrow and sin and suffering
in the fullness of your glory beyond all measure,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, ever one God,
now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

One Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us as we sing:

**All 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 for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of Bread

One Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come!

One Alleluia! The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*All are welcome at God's table.
If you require gluten-free wafers please indicate
to your server.*

COMMUNION HYMN CP 60 *I Come With Joy*

Prayer after Communion

(Standing as we are able)

One Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.

**All As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray. Amen.**

Blessing

One The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us,
and journeys with us
be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN CP 577 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

DISMISSAL

One Go in peace, you are the body of Christ
All Thanks be to God.

Voluntary ' *Allabreve, BWV 589*'

Bach

Flowers: *The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jim Herron, by Joyce Herron and family.*

Cycle of Prayer

ACC The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land.
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IN THE NIAGARA DIOCESE/ Christ Church, Woodburn, The Reverend Canon Claire Wade, Priest-in-Charge, and the people of that parish.

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