



St. James' Anglican Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 19, 2025

8:30 am

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The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron

The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector

The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon

The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon

The Reverend Allie McDougall, Vicar

The Reverend Diana Boland, Curate

The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate

Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music

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Gathering of the Community

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Proclamation of the Word

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Communion	

*We invite all Christians who are baptized in the
name of the Holy Trinity, regardless of
denomination, to join with us in receiving the
church's highest offering of praise to God, the Holy
Eucharist.*

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Blessing	

The flowers on the Altar today
are given to the Glory of God
in loving memory of:
~**Orville Mussell** ~
by his Helen Mussell & Family

Join us later today for:
~ **Jazz Vespers**
Featuring: The Steve Holowitz Trio ~
in the Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m..

NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 19th

Grow in Grace this Sunday — Join Us!

This Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. service, gather in the narthex for **Campaign Sunday**—a warm, hope-filled moment to hear how God is leading St. James to **Grow in Grace**. We'll share quick updates on the work and where we're headed next.

Stop by the **Grow in Grace Table** for a chat! We'd be happy to answer questions. There will be **refreshments and goodies!**

If you haven't connected with an ambassador yet—or haven't received a package—we would especially love to see you. Learn more about shaping the next chapter, preserving our spiritual home and strengthening ministry. **Join us—let's Grow in Grace, together.**

P.S. If you've already had a visit, please return your pledge card. Thank you!

Grow in Grace Progress Update:

We've raised \$346,581 and that is 54% of the goal- thank you for your generosity and prayers.

A Special Vestry

A Special Vestry to consider amalgamation with St. Stephen's and St. Paul's will take place on Sunday November 9, 2025 following the 10:30 am service. The meeting will be chaired by retired Archdeacon Peter Townshend. We will consider two motions that day. The first will be a motion to participate in creating a new Anglican community in Stratford through amalgamation at this site and the second will be a motion to transfer all of our operating and trust funds to the new parish with all current restrictions on use remaining. A list of eligible members of vestry will be available shortly. Between now and the meeting please pray for our Anglican family in Stratford and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our discernment. Yours in Christ, Rob +

Food Bank Wish List

Sadly, food insecurity is still rising. In September, our Food Bank had the busiest month ever, by far. We assisted 223 people, 84 of them children. We purchase most of the non-perishable foods and fresh fruits and vegetables that we provide, so money donations are vitally important. You can donate by cheque to St. James Anglican Church or by e-transfer to treasurer@stjamesstratford.ca, "Food Bank" in the memo space. Many thanks for your wonderful support!

Join Us at Synod for Worship and the Collation of Our New Archdeacons

All are welcome to gather at the newly renovated St. Paul's Cathedral in downtown London on Friday, October 24th at 7:30pm as we celebrate the new ministries of our four newly appointed Territorial Archdeacons, including our Rob+! We hope to see you there as we celebrate his new ministry with others from across the Diocese.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday October 26th

Joel 2: 23-32

Chancel Team #4

Psalms 65

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Luke 18: 9-14

Outreach Lunch November 2

The weather is getting colder, but a buffet of hot and delicious homemade soups after the 10:30 service will drive the chill away. Our guest presenter will be Joe Gladding, Peer Support Worker at Canadian Mental Health Association, Huron Perth Addiction and Mental Health Services. From his work and his own experiences of addiction and homelessness, Joe speaks with authority about overcoming stigma and seeing our hurting neighbours with respect and compassion, instead of fear or judgment. Free will donations will go to CMHA.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 19 - *Evensong Choir rehearsal at 2:00 p.m.
* Jazz Vespers at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Oct. 21- *St. James Community Foodbank – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall
*Reconciliation Book Club at 7:00 p.m. in the Club Room
- Oct. 22 - *Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service
*English Conversation Café at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA
Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Club Room
- Oct. 23 - *Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.
*Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Oct. 24 - *Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room
*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12:00 p.m.
*Velvet & Ivory – An Evening Concert at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Hall
- Oct. 25 - *Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
- Oct. 26 - *Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:30 a.m.
*Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.
*Choral Evensong rehearsal at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
*Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Friday Oct 24th
7pm to 8pm

ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH, STRATFORD

AN EVENING CONCERT:

IN THE ACOUSTICALLY MAGNIFICENT UPPER PARISH HALL

VELVET & IVORY

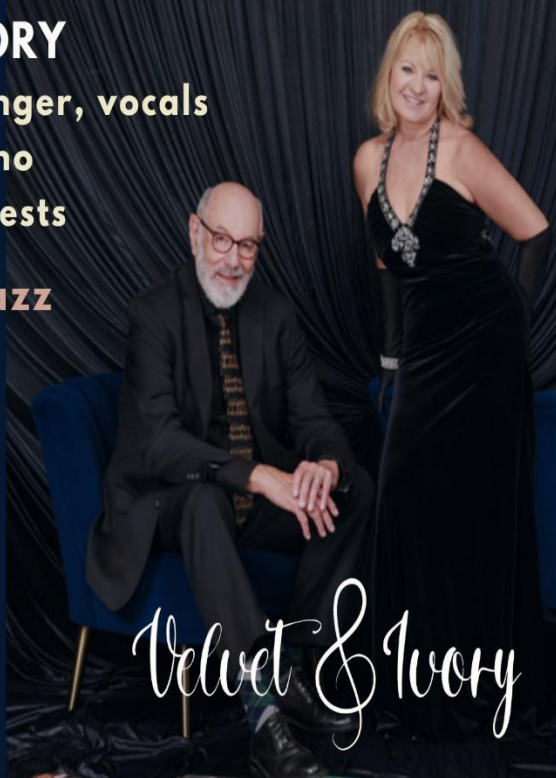
Beverley Maranger, vocals

**Tim Elliott, piano
and musical guests**

**Performing jazz
standards
and classics.**

**Entrance by donation
in support of
THE FOOD MINISTRY
of St. James Church**

**For more information
velvetandivory@gmail.com**



CHORAL EVENSONG

ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH
(41 Mornington St., Stratford)

October 26, 2025—4 pm

Sung evening prayers with beautiful
music and a glorious choir.

Organist and Director: Ian Sadler

Open to all with a freewill offering.





Christmas Pantry Wish List

The Christmas Pantry at the Mistletoe Market needs donations of home-made goodies, such as fudge, cookies, cakes, bread, pies, tarts, squares, muffins, jams, jellies and all kinds of preserves.

Please leave muffins/tea biscuits for the Snowflake Cafe in the Kitchen, and everything else in the Upper Hall between 9am and 4pm on Friday, November 28th.

We look forward to attractively packaging all of your delicious contributions.

Calling All Our St. James Crafters

Our big pricing day is coming up quickly and we need as many of your crafts by Tuesday, November 25th if possible. Please take your crafts to the Upper Hall before 4pm that day.

***Sincere Thanks, St. James Family,
for your greatly appreciated support!!!***