



St. James' Anglican Church

*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday October 26, 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, Vicar*

*The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate*

*Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music*

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**Gathering of the Community**

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<i>Kyrie</i>	p. 70
Collect of the Day	

**Proclamation of the Word**

Epistle	2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18	
Gospel	Luke 18: 9-14	
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Sermon		

**Communion**

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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.*

Lord's Prayer	p. 85
Prayer of Oblation	p. 85
Gloria	p. 86
Blessing	

Join us later today for:  
~ **Choral Evensong** ~  
in the Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m..

## NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 26<sup>th</sup>

### **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.

### **All Souls Memorial Service November 2nd**

Join us on November 2nd at 7:00 pm for our All-Souls Memorial Service. This is an opportunity to remember and give thanks for the lives of those people that we have loved and lost. We will gather together, light candles in memory of our loved ones and remember them in prayer. Please join us for this service.

### **Food Bank Wish List**

Breakfast cereal flies off the shelf these days, especially since we serve so many families with children. We need a variety of kinds: Corn Flakes, Cheerios, Frosted Flakes, Rice Crispies, Bran Flakes, etc. Granola would be welcome, too.

### **2026 Canadian Church Calendars**

It's that time of year again! We are taking orders for the 2026 Canadian Church Calendars. The cost will depend on the quantity we order, so we are not able to quote a price until we receive them. To order, please contact Kelly in the office at 519-271-3572 ext, 101 or [office@stjamesstratford.ca](mailto:office@stjamesstratford.ca). Order deadline is Monday November 3rd.

## **A Special Vestry – Sunday November 9th**

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 +

## **Christmas Pantry Wish List**

The Christmas Pantry at the Mini 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 28<sup>th</sup>**. 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 25<sup>th</sup>** if possible. Please take your crafts to the Upper Hall before 4pm that day.

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

## **Pastoral Visits**

If you would like a pastoral visit (either in person or by phone), please contact The Ven. Rob Lemon at: 519-271-3572 (ext,102), home phone 519-305-2338 or [roblemon@stjamesstratford.ca](mailto:roblemon@stjamesstratford.ca). To contact Rev'd Tianna Gocan please call 226-791-0150 or [tiannagocan@stjamesstratford.ca](mailto:tiannagocan@stjamesstratford.ca)