



St. James' Anglican Church

The Reign of Christ
Sunday November 23, 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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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	

Join us today at 4:00 p.m. for
~ **Jazz Vespers** ~
Featuring: The Paul Shilton Quartet
All are welcome to this informal evening
worship service. Free will offering.

NOTICES FOR NOVEMBER 23rd

The donation bin in the narthex was overflowing last Sunday. Many thanks for the great donations! Our current need is for several kinds of personal care products:

- Bar soap
- Deodorant (men's and women's)
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes (adult and child)
- Kleenex

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 2pm 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!!!

Grow in Grace Campaign Update

On **Commitment Sunday, November 30**, we will gather as one parish family to offer our responses to the *Grow in Grace* campaign. A simple, thankful moment to celebrate what God is doing among us—every prayer, conversation, and pledge that is helping St. James preserve our spiritual home, strengthen ministry, and welcome all.

This day marks the close of our active ambassador visits. We are deeply grateful for our volunteers, who have carried this work with care—reaching 87% of goal. We have received 61 pledges from our members. Thank you for this. We hope that the final pledge forms in the next week or so will take us to our goal.

At its heart, commitment is our **response to grace**. Our gifts of time, finances and of prayer are a practical act of stewardship, an offering of thanksgiving, and a sign of hope for those who will find a home here after us.

Please bring your pledge card on Commitment Sunday if you have yet to do. Your pledge, whether **financial gift** or a **commitment to pray**, is invaluable to our mission. During worship, we will include a **prayer of commitment** and **bless the pledge cards** as they are brought forward with the offering.

If you have **not yet been contacted**, we look forward to connecting **after the service today** at the Campaign Table so you can **pick up a package and** ask any questions.

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity. With gratitude for what God has begun among us and trust for what lies ahead **together, we'll Grow in Grace**.