

St. James United Church

463 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal, Quebec

Minister: Rev. Arlen John Bonnar

Volunteer Associate Ministers: Rev. Dr. Phyllis Smyth, Rev. Doug Stewart

Director of Music: Philip Crozier **Choral Director:** Jean-Sébastien Allaire

SUNDAY, MAY 2nd, 2010 11 a.m.

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude: Prélude en mi bémol mineur (op. 66) Vincent d'Indy (1851-1931)

***Processional Hymn 406** See the morning sun ascending Neander

* Welcome / Bienvenue

***Call to Worship**

Come to this place of prayer; God is calling us.

Come, all who are burdened; there is healing here.

We have come to hear the Word of God.

We have brought with us all that weighs us down.

Let voices of praise greet the one who calls us.

Be glad together and sing for joy.

Our hearts respond with hope for a new day.

Our voices join in thankful prayers and praise.

God reigns among us and fills the world with light.

We are invited to make our home with the living God.

May God's ways be known within and among us.

May God guide all nations in ways of peace.

***Response: Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!**

(Sung) My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God!

Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazon te adora!

Mi corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres Dios!

Prayer of Approach (in unison)

God of love and peace, whose healing Word is offered to every person and group and nation, we long to hear and see and feel your presence with us. Send your Holy Spirit to overpower our excuses, lend a new perspective to our troubled thoughts, and equip us to walk into the future with courage. Reign among us that we may proclaim good news to all who need it. Amen.

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always att. to John Redford (c.1486-1547)

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

***Psalm 67** Vu page 786

The Gospel: John 5: 1 - 9

Reflection

***Hymn 326** O for a thousand tongues to sing

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WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Life and Concerns

Presentation of Peace Symbols, candles and cranes, to visitors

Anthem: Pseaume 134 Jan Pieterszoon Sweetlinck (1562-1621)

***The Offertory: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word, and Spirit, One. (#541)**

Offertory Prayer

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

May the Lord be with you. **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

We give you thanks and praise.....Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we raise our voices, as we say,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are those who come in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks and praise..... God of life, with this bread and wine, we celebrate the birth and life of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

All: Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, and make them holy, so that we, your people, being fed by holy things, may take light and hope, love and peace, into the world; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, now and forever.

The Lord's Prayer (Sung #960)

Communion at the Rail (If you are unable to come to the Rail,
please remain in your seat and you will be served.)

Music during Communion

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

***Hymn 601** The church of Christ in every age Church Triumphant

***The Commissioning**

Worshippers of God, we are called into the world.

We cannot stay here; God has work for us to do.

God invited us to follow where Jesus leads.

Our presence is needed in unexpected places.

If we love God, we will live by God's Word.

If we have met God here, our lives are being changed.

God's Word of love is finding a home in our hearts.

God's light is leading us on new ventures of service.

The peace of God goes with you, today and always;

let not your hearts be troubled or afraid.

God is blessing us every day; praise God!

We will carry God's saving power to all nations.

Amen. Amen.

* The Benediction

Go Now in Peace (Congregation Seated) arr. Philip Crozier

Go now in peace, never be afraid.

God will be with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know he will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude: Fugue (*from Choral Song and Fugue*) Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. If you are visiting we would like to present you with a peace symbol. Please come forward during the offering. Everyone is invited for refreshments and conversation in the Douglas Room. Please leave your hymn books at the door as you exit the sanctuary,

Our thanks to the **Young Adults** for their participation this morning.

Today 1 p.m. Young Adults Improv Workshop in Dawson Hall
Tonight 7:30 p.m. St. James Choral Concert (Mendelssohn's 'Hear my Prayer'; music by Samuel S. Wesley marking his 200th anniversary) Freewill Offering.

The **Music Working Committee** would like to hear from you regarding the music program at St. James. Please come to complete our survey during coffee hour on

Sundays, May 2nd, 9th and 16th.

Sundays at St. James - Worship at 11 a.m.

May 9th Family Sunday; May 16th Worship; May 23rd Pentecost. Baptisms.

The **Montreal Chamber Music Festival** has donated a limited number of concert tickets to be given on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets must be picked up at the office prior to the concert date. Please call Anne at 514-288-9245.

Young Adults May 16th, Guided tour of Mount Royal Cemetery
Info: stjamesuya@gmail.com or speak with Jenny, Emily, or Ryan.

Trustees, Wed. May 12th, 6 p.m. **Session**, May 19th, 6 p.m.

Ministry & Personnel - Thursday, May 13th

2010 Recital Series, Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m. (Beginning June 8th)

Choir Rehearsals: Thursday, 6:30 - 8 p.m.; Sunday, 9:45 a.m.

CD (\$20) by Philip Crozier. Proceeds to Organ Restoration Fund.

Budget Update March 31st, 2010

Revenue	Expenses		
Actual to date	115,353.00	Actual to date	131,869.00
Last year to date	111,884.00	Last year to date	121,402.00
Revenue Budget to date	138,250.00	Expense Budget to date	137,139.00

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