

## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS – Sunday, February 5, 2023

### Celebrating Black History Month at St. James

**\*8:00am - Said Eucharist:** The order of service is found in the leaflet. The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel are also provided.

**\*Coffee Hour:** Please join us today after the 9:00am and 11:00am services in Snell Hall.

**\*Children & Families:** Sunday school meets every Sunday at both the 9:00am and 11:00am services. Email Karyne Whalen at [kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca) for more information.

### **Making music ‘where cross the crowded streets of life’**

I always enjoy arriving at St. James, after a brisk ten-minute walk, and watching the pigeons wheel around the roof of the cathedral. I’m sure that I am not alone in reflecting on what a unique and beautiful location the cathedral is situated. The endless bustle, the noise, and - most of all - the staggering and humbling diversity of people from all over the world is pause for thought. As is how to make music at the corner of King and Church Streets.

Choosing music for our worship is both a great pleasure and a great responsibility. I hope that our music is in the first place *beautiful*, that it touches all of our hearts, from the ‘first’ to the ‘last’. Secondly, I trust that our musical choices will both reach back into our cherished Anglican musical heritage and look forward, expressing the hope and faith that we have in the future. Lastly, I wish that our music might reach out to all those who live and work in our diverse neighbourhood, the ‘where cross the crowded streets of life’. We pray for well-tuned hearts and well-tuned voices to achieve this.

We mark Black History Month in February with hymns and choral music from the African American tradition. Music by Moses Hogan, Spirituals, and a motet from the Congo will be part of our worship. On Sunday, March 19 at 4:30pm we have a special service to recognise the International Day for the Elimination against Racism. We shall sing music from across the globe, finishing with Paul Halley’s wonderful Freedom Trilogy.

On Saturday, May 6 at 7:30pm the Choir presents a concert to mark both the arrival of our new organ console, and the Coronation of King Charles III. The ‘Coronation Anthems’ by Handel will be performed by our choir, accompanied by a professional orchestra. You may wish to become a patron of the concert. (See page 2 for more details.)

Finally, a few words of thanks and encouragement. Each musical selection represents hours of thought, practice, and administration. To all the singers, organists, staff, and many others who allow our music to flourish as fulsomely as it does thank you on behalf of the whole cathedral community and beyond.

Thomas Bell  
Music Director & Organist

## **Saturday, May 6 at 7:30pm: Gala concert at St. James Cathedral**

We are asking for your kind support of this concert by considering becoming a patron. For a donation of \$200, patrons will receive acknowledgement in the programme, two tickets, and our deepest gratitude for allowing us to share this magnificent music with the community. A charitable tax receipt will be issued in the amount of \$150 (net of value of tickets) at the beginning of the new year.

You may gift by cheque to St. James Cathedral or e-transfer to [bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca) (Please specify Coronation Concert Patronage in the message). Additional tickets will be available for sale at \$25 each (not tax-receiptable). For further details contact Thomas Bell, Director of Music at [tbell@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:tbell@stjamescathedral.ca)

### **BECOMING THE STORY WE TELL**



We are pleased to announce that the *Becoming the Story We Tell* program is returning to St. James this Lent and Eastertide.

*Becoming the Story We Tell* is a process of spiritual formation that allows participants to engage more deeply in the very heart and soul of our story, reflecting on Scripture and Sacraments together in small groups. There will be in-person and online groups, with meetings on weekdays and evenings.

The season of Lent is a gift intended especially for those who are turning to the way of Christ in some new way. Maybe your Christian faith has only been a family tradition – until now; if this is the moment for you or your household to become intentional about following the way of Jesus, Lent is for you. Maybe your faith journey has been a private affair – until now; if you are ready to accept the friendship of companions on the way, Lent is for you. Maybe Jesus has always seemed a distant figure to you – until now; if this is the moment for you to deepen your relationship with Jesus, Lent is for you.

This Lent and Eastertide, St James invites families, with children of any age, to participate in *Becoming the Story We Tell*. This is an opportunity for your family to share the great stories of our faith and talk about them together. And you will share your experiences of being part of the drama of our worship. Your family will participate in all that we are hearing and doing at Church, as we move through Lent and Eastertide. This is a good way to grow in understanding and deepen your relationship with Jesus. St James will provide the materials and the support for your family to be part of *Becoming the Story We Tell*. Watch for the opportunity to register your family for this activity.

**For more information about BST, or if you would like to host a small group, email Bill Benson or The Rev'd Canon John Hill at [bst@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bst@stjamescathedral.ca)**

## **THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL**

### **Today, February 5 at 10:15am: Parents meet the Children's Ministry Team**

Please plan to join us today for a 30-minute chat to hear the exciting things happening for our Cathedral children for 2023 and meet the Ministry Team. We'll meet in the Cathedral Centre Library. Refreshments will be available. We look forward to welcoming you!

For more information, please feel free to send an email to Karyne Whalen our Minister of Children, Youth, and Families at [kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca)

### **Today, February 5: Nominating Committee Information Session**

St. James Cathedral's Annual Vestry meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 12, 2023. The Nominating Committee, chaired by Bill Benson, is now receiving names for election for several positions. If you would like more information about the nominating process and the available roles, you're invited to attend today's information session in the Library following the 11:00am service. Email Bill Benson at [billbenson0520@gmail.com](mailto:billbenson0520@gmail.com) with any questions.

## **Palm Crosses**

**Last year's blessed palm crosses and branches may be brought to the Cathedral and placed in the baskets provided.** They will be burned after the 9:00am and 11:00am services on Sunday, February 19, and the ashes used in the Ash Wednesday services on February 22.

## **SAVE THE DATE: YOU ARE INVITED**

### **Tuesday, February 21 at 5:30pm: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Mark the last day before Lent with a parish pancake supper. There will be food, a crafts table for kids, and live music! All are welcome! We are also looking for individuals to help to set-up, serve and/or clean-up anytime between 4:30pm - 8:30pm on February 21.

Please send us an email at [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) if you are interested in helping.

## **February 22, 2023: Ash Wednesday Services**

- 7:30am Said Eucharist
- 12:15pm Sung Eucharist
- 6:30pm Choral Eucharist (*also live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel*)

All services include the Imposition of Ashes.

The Cathedral will also be open for prayer on Ash Wednesday from 7:30am – 7:30pm

## **April 1 & 2: Palm Sunday Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser**

You are invited to join us for the 9th Annual Palm Sunday Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser in support of the essential work of the Drop-in Centre and honouring, especially, its many years of providing health and foot care clinics. Don't miss the joy of our Saturday bun making session on April 1 or help us bake, frost, and sell on Palm Sunday morning, April 2.

**If you would like to volunteer,** contact Carol Kysela at [mckysel@gmail.com](mailto:mckysel@gmail.com)

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE AT THE CATHEDRAL: YOU ARE INVITED

### Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30am

Monday to Friday via the  
Cathedral YouTube channel

### Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm

Monday to Friday in the Cathedral  
- St. George's Chapel.

**VISIT US:** The Cathedral is open from 10:00am–3:00pm, Monday-Friday.

### TUESDAY: Organ Recital on Tuesday, February 7

Artist: Mark Himmelman.

The concert begins at 1:00pm and lasts about 40 min.

Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

### WEDNESDAY: At 11:00am

Join the Scripture Circle in-person in the Cathedral Centre.

Contact Canon Beth Benson for more information at [bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca).

### FRIDAY: Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Our Cathedral opens its doors for guests to come in for a meal in Snell Hall.

### SATURDAY:

Watch Morning Prayer - 8:30am via the Cathedral YouTube Channel.

### SUNDAY: Coffee Hour:

After the 9:00am & 11:00am services in Snell Hall at the Cathedral Centre. Anglicans love to bake! On Sundays, bring your favourite cookie or square. Be prepared to share the recipe! A listing of ingredients will help those with dietary restrictions.

Next Sunday's Coffee Hours will be hosted by *Becoming the Story We Tell* - join us!

## SUNDAY SERVICES – February 12, 2023

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Sung Eucharist

**11:00am:** Choral Eucharist

*(also live-streamed on the Diocesan*

*YouTube channel at [youtube.com/tordio135](https://www.youtube.com/tordio135)).*

**4:30pm:** Special Joint Choral Evensong with  
St. Jude's Choir

**Readings for next Sunday, February 12**

**The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany:**

Sirach 15: 15-20

Psalm 119: 1-8

1 Corinthians 3: 1-9

Matthew 5: 21-37

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