



CHRISTMAS AT "The Kirk"
DECEMBER 8TH, 2019
Presider: Angela Young
Choir Director: Amy Anderson

I WISH YOU PEACE

WELCOME

HYMN: P. 60 O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

Call to Worship (Responsively)

One: Sing Praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works
**All: Sing Praises to the end of the earth for we have seen the
Star of Bethlehem and have started our journey.**
One: Open our hearts to new paths of Faith, Hope and Love.
Let us worship God.

Opening Prayer:

Lighting the Peace Candle

Lessons and Carols

Isaiah 9: 2, 6 - 7

Hymn P. 1 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (verses 1 and 7)

Luke 1: 26 - 33

Choir: "To a Maid Whose Name was Mary"

Luke 2: 1 - 7

Hymn P 64 "O Little town of Bethlehem (Verses 1 and 4)

Luke 2: 8 - 12

**Hymn P 75 "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night"
(verses 1 and 4)**

Luke 2: 13 - 15

Hymn P 48 Hark the Herald Angels Sing (verses 1 and 3)

Luke 2: 16 - 20

Hymn P 74 "What Child is This"

Offering

Solo "O Holy Night" Julie Savoy

Doxology "Praise God from whom all Blessing Flow"

**Offering Prayer: "Loving God, we give this offering as part
of our caring for Your world
We dedicate it to the spreading of your
message of Love and Peace.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Choir "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Sending Forth

Benediction

All Sing Silent Night (Verse 1)

David and Wallace Gibson deeded a parcel of land to James Rankin Sr. James Rankin Jr., David Jinson, George Trafton and Alexander Kearney were trustees of Saint James Church in connection with the Church of Scotland in the Parish of Northampton. This church was called "Greenbank" or "The Kirk." It is believed that this church was built sometime between 1856-1857.

There is an unusual mosque like bell tower in which hangs a bell that was sent out from Scotland. The walls and ceilings are of plaster and the interior of the church is almost unchanged since it was built. The interior of the building is about 45 ft. long and 35 ft. wide and there are three sections of pews.

These original pews are very straight backed, made of golden oak and would seat about 100 people. The pulpit is on a platform that has a carpet on it. This is a replacement for the original high pulpit which is now in the vestry at the Presbyterian Church in Woodstock.

To the right of the pulpit stands an old reed organ, the bellows of which are filled with air by foot pumps. It was made by the Thomas Organ and Piano Company of Woodstock, Ontario. Between 1959 and 1962 Rev. H. G. MacKenzie preached at the Kirk every second Sunday afternoon for three summers. At present we have services in the spring, fall, and at Christmas.

UPCOMING SERVICES AT SAINT JAMES

Dec. 15	Third Sunday of Advent Cantata	10:30 a.m.
	Community Cantata 7:30 p.m.	
Dec. 19	Blue Christmas	7:00 p.m.
Dec. 22	Fourth Sunday of Advent	10:30 a.m.
	Sunday School Concert	
	Family Christmas Pot Luck	
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Service	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 5	Rev. Adekunle Benjamin Adeniyi	10:30 a.m.