

Order of Service

St. James United Church

10:30 am, SUNDAY, November 1, 2026

All Saints Day

Welcome!

*We are glad you have joined us in worship.
May you feel the warmth of God's presence.*

Our Mission:

To live God's love through our actions: Seek, Serve, Challenge.

GATHERING

***Bold** indicates words said by All*

❖ Indicates when one may stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE	Blest Are They (Music by David Hass)	Adrian Marchuk - organ
GATHERING SONG	We Are One	VU 402 v.1
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Albert Conforzi
Live Announcement	Jennifer Allin Heltcher & Karen Forgrave	
CALL TO WORSHIP		
CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING		
OPENING PRAYER		
❖GATHERING HYMN	For All the Saints	VU 705
PASSING OF THE PEACE	We Are Family (Sister Sledge)	
TIME WITH THE YOUNG		
PRAYER OF JESUS (SAID)		
CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL	I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me	VU 575 v.1
ANTHEM	One Step, He Leads (Words and music by Pepper Choplin)	Senior Choir

DISCERNING

SCRIPTURE READING

Mathew 5:1-12

Albert Conforzi

FAITH TALK

"Eight Challenges & Opportunities"

Rev. Richard C. Choe

RESPONDING

❖HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

VU 593

CALL FOR OFFERING

SONG OF THANKS

The Beatitudes Song
(Music and lyrics by Brook Hills Church)

Kit Cooney, Astrid Atherly

❖OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

VU 541

❖OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUNG RESPONSE

We Shall Overcome

TLUS 129

❖CLOSING HYMN

I Am the Light of the World

VU 87

SCATTERING

❖BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

❖SUNG BENEDICTION

Prayer Of Dedication

POSTLUDE

Sortie (By Jacques Lemmens)

Adrian Marchuk - organ

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Giving leadership in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Richard C. Choe

Presider: Albert Conforzi

Music Director: Adrian Marchuk

St. James Senior Choir

Section Leads/Soloists: Astrid Atherly, Kit Cooney

Reader: Albert Conforzi

Sunday School Director: Karen Forgrave

Tech Support: Andrew Paley, Mary Paras

Greeters: Regina Ankrah, Nancy Cormier

Ushers: Eileen McAuley (Captain), James Ankrah, Regina Ankrah

Hospitality: Eleanor Harris (L), Brenda Beaton, John Beaton, Randy Wilson

NEXT SERVICES:

Sunday, November 8, 2026, 10:30 AM – 24th Sunday after Pentecost.
Remembrance Sunday.

In observance of Remembrance Day, we invite you to bring a memento that connects you to memories of war. Please include your name and a brief description of the item. These mementos will be displayed on our communion table during our Remembrance Day service on Sunday, November 8.

Sunday, November 15, 2026, 10:30 AM – 25th Sunday after Pentecost.
Children's Sunday.

Sunday, November 22, 2026, 10:30 AM – Reign of Christ Sunday.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each week, the Shining Waters Regional Council asks that we pray for each other's congregations in support of our ministries: Deutsche Evangeliumskirche United Church, Toronto; Forest Hill United Church, Toronto; Onnuri Korean United Church, Toronto.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be sure to buy your Auction tickets TODAY, after our worship service. Tickets are \$40/adult, \$10/children ages 5-12, and Children under 5 are Free. We really need everyone's support to make this a success! Please encourage family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbours to come to this great evening out! You can pay by cash, credit card or debit. Wine and Beer will be available for purchase at the auction dinner as well.

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We are looking for donations from the congregation of experiences that would make great LIVE AUCTION ITEMS for our upcoming dinner and auction night on November 14th. Popular items include dinner at your home, theatre tickets, cottage visits, unique tours or experiences, and sports tickets. If you have an item to donate, please let Karen know karen_forgrave@hotmail.com. We want to have time to advertise your items - so the sooner, the better! 😊

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Book Club: Our book study continues on *The Bible and Homosexuality for Progressive Christians* by Donald Schmidt. The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, November 2 from 7-9 pm.

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The next Yoga session starts Wednesday, November 4! Wednesdays from 11 am till 12 noon in the Lounge. Cost is \$25 per class for drop in, or only \$20 per class if you pay in advance for the 7-week session (\$140), which takes us to December 16. Pre-pay (by e-transfer to karen_forgrave@hotmail.com or by cash/cheque to the church office) on or before the first class.

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Our November Euchre dates are: Tuesday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 24 at 1:30 pm. Cost is \$5. All are welcome.

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Broadway Holiday Cabaret! St. James will be hosting a fundraiser for the St. James Food Basket on Friday, November 27. Doors open at 7 pm and Show Time is 7:30 pm sharp. Bill Merryweather will be performing, accompanied by Adrian Marchuk. Tickets are \$25 each, and can be purchased by contacting the church office at 416-622-4113, ext. 0, or by email at stjames_uc@rogers.com

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2027 Canadian Church Calendar “Draw The Circle Wide” is now available for order at a cost of \$10, which includes tax and shipping. Celebrate United Churches across Canada! Focusing on the theme of 65 years of United Church Women, this bilingual calendar features colourful photos from communities of faith across the country plus all the special days, church seasons, and lectionary dates. Great for Christmas giving or to keep you on track in the year to come. Please contact the church office at 416-622-4113, ext. 0, or by email at stjames_uc@rogers.com by Nov. 20 to place your order.

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Bulletin Announcements: If anyone has any announcements they'd like included in the Sunday Bulletin, please email Clare: clareatstjames@outlook.com

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We are pleased to announce that hands on Reiki is available by donation on Monday afternoons from 1-3 pm, as well as Tuesday nights at 7 pm. Sign-up sheets are in the binder in the Well-Being waiting room or call the office at 416-622-4113 and book with our office.

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