

## **Saint James United Church**

**January 28, 2018 -- 4th Sunday after the Epiphany**

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**Ushers: Ron Murray, Randy and Eleanor Leonard**

**Reader: Keith Fullarton**



*Welcome all visitors and their families who may be worshipping with us this morning. We pray that you will feel at home here at Saint James and that you will feel the presence of God's Holy Spirit, as we worship. After the service please introduce yourself to Rev. Debra, sign our guest book at the back of the sanctuary and join us for lunch, Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the C.E. Centre.*

### **WE GATHER**

#### **Prelude**

**Introit MV # 48 v. 1 I Can Feel You Near Me God**

#### **Welcome**

#### **Call to Worship**

One: In the company of all who gathered here today,  
we praise you, God!

**All: We thank you, God, with our whole heart!**

One: Great are your works, they are full of honour and majesty.

**All: We thank you, God, with our whole heart!**

One: You are gracious and merciful and your love lasts forever.

**All: We thank you, God, with our whole heart!**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Jan. 28	Morning Worship Sunday School Soup, Rolls and Fellowship in C.E. Centre.	10:30 a.m.
Jan. 29	Fellowship Unit	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 30	Games Pathfinders Sparks	1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Jan.31	Quilting Group Choir	1:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Feb..4	Morning Worship Sunday School Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room Congregational Meeting	10:30 a.m.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*The congregation of Saint James United Church strives to be a welcoming, caring, committed family of people from all ages and walks of life who come together in fellowship with each other and our Creator God.*

*We endeavour to respect each other's differences and abilities, to follow the way of Jesus, and to be open to the work of the Holy Spirit in us and through us, for the ultimate enrichment of our faith, our community and our world.*

**SCENT FREE ENVIRONMENT:** *A few of our congregation members have been experiencing problems due to perfumes in the church. We have tried to maintain a Scent Free Environment within Saint James United Church. We would like to remind everyone to please consider this request and refrain from wearing perfumes.*

## DONATIONS

*A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Susan (Suzie Tait) Henry by Wayne and Shirley McCallum.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Susan (Suzie Tait) Henry by The Tait, King and Simister families.*

## CHURCH SUPPER

*FEBRUARY 10, 2018*

*DEBEC TRINITY UNITED CHURCH HALL*

*4:00 P.M. -- 6:00 P.M.*

*MENU: Beans, Potato Salad, Hash Brown Casserole, Macaroni and Tomato Casserole, Corn Scallop, Brown Bread, Layer Cakes for Dessert, Tea and Coffee.*

*Cost: Adults \$ 8.00 Children under 12 - \$ 4.00*

*Proceeds to Work of the Church.*

**As of January 8, 2018, the Church Office will be open:**

**Monday to Thursday:**

**8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

**Friday:**

**8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Sunday:**

**9:30 am to 11:30 am**

One: May the work of our hands also be faithful and just.

**All: We thank you, God, with our whole heart!**

One: Holy and awesome is your name. Your praise endures forever.

**All: We thank you, God, with our whole heart! Amen.**

### *Opening Prayer*

**All: Dear God, open our ears to hear what you are saying to us today.**

**Open our eyes, to see where Jesus' healing love is needed in our world.**

**Open our hands, to do your work and help where help is needed.**

**Open our lips to bring comfort, joy and laughter to your people.**

**Open our minds, to hear new truths about how you work in our world.**

**Open our hearts, to love you, our neighbours, and ourselves as you have loved us. Amen.**

*Hymn: # 570 VU Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*

### *Children's Chat:*

#### *Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God,

thank you for calling us to join you in your work in the world.

We confess that there are times

when we have not seen you at work, (cover eyes)

when we have not heard you calling us. (cover ears)

We are truly sorry and ask your forgiveness, O God (hands in front, palms up)

**Hear us, Holy One, and be gracious to us.**

There are times when we have not spoken your truth (cover mouth)

and times when we have not reached out to care for others.

(sit on hands)

We are truly sorry and ask your forgiveness, O God.

(hold hands in front, palms up)

**Hear us, Holy One, and be gracious to us. Amen.**

### *Words of Assurance*

#### **WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

*Anthem:*      *Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*

*Scripture:*    *Deut. 18: 15 – 20*  
                  *Psalms 111 Pg. 833 VU*  
                  *Mark 1: 21 - 28*

### *Message*

### *Music for Reflection*

*Hymn*          *# 661 VU Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus*

#### **WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD**

### *Presentation of the Offering*

*Offertory*      *What can I do? What can I bring?*  
                  *What can I say? What can I sing?*  
                  *I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.*  
                  *I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.*

### *Offertory prayer*

**All:            O Lord, take these, our Sunday offerings,  
                  and add to them gifts we dedicate to you daily:  
                  our time, our work, our love and devotion,  
                  Use them to fulfill your vision for the earth and  
                  all creation, in Jesus Name, Amen.**

### *Minute for Mission*

### *Announcements*

### *Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer*

### *Closing Hymn # 646 VU We Are Marching*

### *Blessing and Sending Forth*

### *Choral Benediction*    Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace...never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know God 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.  
Amen, amen, amen.

### *Postlude*

*The bulletin has been dedicated in loving memory  
of Norma and Hugh Tait and Susan (Tait) Henry  
by the Tait, King and Simister Families.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PAR REMITTANCE PROGRAM

*This is a great time of year to sign up for our PAR REMITTANCE PROGRAM! If you have automatic debits from your bank account to pay your bills, then you understand the PAR principle. It means regular contributions throughout the year. Even when we are away, our church has commitments every week. This is a convenient way to support both the local church and M&S. CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE DETAILS.*

### E-MAIL ADDRESSES AND UPDATED ADDRESSES

*Keeping updated through email. I will try to keep you updated. Please contact the church office at 328-6114 so our addresses may be kept up to date. Tell your friends also so they can be added to our list.*

<p><b>If you have noticed someone missing from our congregation, please contact them by phone or visit them in person. You may be their “angel</b></p>
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### LENTEN STUDY GROUP

*Our Lenten Study for 2018 is titled “Being in Community.” We will meet 3 times during the 6 weeks of Lent beginning February 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. and continuing on March 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. This study is from The Prayer Bench and follows a similar format as our previous studies. Please sign up, if you are interested.*

### ANNUAL REPORT - CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*The annual congregational meeting will be held on February 4<sup>th</sup> after church. We urge everyone to attend as there will be motions to pass and voting on the Remit 6.*

**COFFEE HOUR** *We serve coffee and tea after church and if you wish to bring a snack to share, please feel free to do so. We still need volunteers for setup and cleanup.*

*See sign up sheet.*

### UPPER ROOMS FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY Cost \$ 3.00

**GIFTS WITH VISION BOOKS** *have arrived. Located on table outside the church office..*

### ALZHEIMER SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP

*This support group meets at Saint James the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. The next meeting will be from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on February 19, 2018 All those who are care givers may like to mark this on your calendars. Please call the church office to confirm meetings over the summer, as sometimes there are changes.*

**UNITED CHURCH OBSERVER** *Time to look at renewal of you United Church Observer. If you do not wish to renew, please let Mary know at the church office or if your are a new subscriber, we can add your name for a subscription for the up coming year. Cost is \$ 25.00.*