

Saint James United Church

November 6th, 2016 – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

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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 coffee, tea and fellowship in the Board Room..

Quote to Ponder: “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.” ~ *Matthew 5:9*

WE GATHER

Prelude

“O Canada”

Laying of Wreath

Wayne McCallum

Welcome

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 6	Remembrance Day Service FOOD BANK SUNDAY Sunday School Sunshine Singers and Handbells Coffee, Tea and Fellowship Youth Group	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 7 th	Board Room booked	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 8 th	Staff Meeting Games Pathfinders Sparks	10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Nov. 9 th	Quilting Choir	1:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Nov. 10 th	C. E. Centre booked	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Nov. 11 th	Set up of Bazaar and Fashion Show/Tea	3:00 p.m.
Nov. 12 th	Bazaar Fashion Show/Tea	1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.
Nov. 13 th	Morning Worship Sunday School Coffee, Tea and Fellowship Celebration for Peggy Cameron's Birthday	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00-4:00 p.m. at her home.

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Prayers of Thanksgiving & Concern & Lord's Prayer
(The Lord's Prayer may be found on p.960 of Voices United)

Closing Hymn VU#684 – Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Commissioning and Blessing

“God Save the Queen”

Postlude

*Today's bulletin is in memory of present and past veterans
by Phyllis Robinson.*

DONATIONS

*A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory
of Val Stewart by Clara Hatfield and Lesley Johnson,
Mary Leigh Webb.*

*A donation has been made to the Children Health Fund in loving
memory of Val Stewart by Mary Cox-Price.*

JUST A REMINDER *Due to many people suffering from
allergies, 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.*

REFUGEE FAMILY

*The family of 6 (husband & wife, 2 children, a grandmother
and an uncle) are arriving on Tuesday, Nov. 2 about midnight
at the Fredericton airport. They will be met by committee
members and brought to Woodstock right away and settled in
the former convent. More information to follow as it becomes
available.*

Introit *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

2. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God, our creator, children all are we;
let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
3. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
with every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment
in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

Through every generation, through times of hope and times of fear,
through times of war and times of peace,
through times of loss and times of joy,
you are God.

In the first moment of grief,
in the long, empty nights,
in the chaos of war, in the search for answers,
you are with us.

When we pause in the midst of our busy lives,
when we remember those who suffered and those who died,
when we pray to you saying, “Your kingdom come,”
you are God.

Come, let us praise the God who leads us in dreaming of peace.
(Written by Gord Waldie. *Worship Offerings*,
<http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca>. Used with permission.)

Hymn MV# 149 - Peace for the Children

Children's Time “A Poppy Is to Remember”

Prayer of Commitment

God of Love, God of Peace
This fractured world cries out in pain
Burns deep into my soul
And challenges me to make a difference.

**God of Love, God of Peace
God of this world
Scarred by grief and tears
Ignorance and fear
Soften hearts of stone and begin with mine.**

**God of Love, God of Peace
Create within me
A heart for people
A desire for change
For new beginnings to start this day. Amen.**

(Written by John Birch. *Faith and Worship – Prayers and Resources*.
<http://www.faithandworship.com>. Used with permission)

Last Post – Silence – Reveille

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

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All: Eternal rest grant unto them, O God, and may perpetual light shine on them. May the souls of the righteous, through your great mercy, rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

God of peace, we have not always remembered the sacrifice of those who went before us. We have not always honoured them. When they said, “Never again,” we did not listen. We did not answer your call, O God, to pursue peace in this world. Forgive us

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(silence for personal confession)

Words of Forgiveness

God is always with us. In every corner of the earth, in every town and village torn apart by war, in every home where our loved ones are remembered, God is present, God is active, God is working to heal and restore and bring about God’s own reign of peace.

Thanks be to God for this everlasting grace and love. Amen.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

Anthem

Scripture

Isaiah, 2:1-4
Amos 5:14-15
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 5:1-11

Meditation

Hymn

VU#691 – Though Ancient Walls

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Announcements

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

Peace is such a precious gift that all creation cries out for it. May these gifts be a witness to others of our faith in the Good News, that one day all of creation will be at peace, and we will all share in its blessings, giving thanks to the Creator of all. Amen.

(Written by Sandy Ferguson. **Gathering**, Summer/Autumn 2010, page 49. Used with permission.)

CHURCH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

As a church committed to living out the Apology and reconciliation process with Indigenous people, hosting a KAIROS' Blanket Exercise is a good place to begin. The Fredericton-based, intercultural group, Moving Forward Together, is offering to lead groups through this moving, two-hour interactive activity. Please see poster.

Contact: Charlotte Campbell (charcamp2@gmail.com) or Merrill Slipp (Merrill.slipp@gmail.com)

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION Friday at 10:00 a.m.

2017 CALENDARS have arrived. Check with the church office.
Cost \$ 7.00

LENDING LIBRARY - On the bookshelf outside Mary's office are lots of Good Reading Material for Adults. Please help yourself and return so others can enjoy. Honour system only.

APPLE PIE SALES. Apple pies for sale at \$10 each. They will be available for pick up on November 12 from 5-6 pm and November 13 from 11 am- 12 noon at St. Gertrude's church hall.
To order, e-mail Allison: mchandra@nb.sympatico.ca or phone Enriqu e on 323-9317

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 2:1-4

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. ²In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. ³Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

Amos 5:14-15

¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, though Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matthew 5:1-11

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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Scriptures for November 13, 2015

Isaiah 65:17-25; Isaiah 12; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY begins Wednesday, Nov. 23rd at 10:00 a.m. We will be using the book "God Is With Us" by Robin Wilson. Please contact Rev. Deb as soon as possible so we can order the books. Cost is \$ 20.00.

TEA, FASHION SHOW AND BAZAAR

Saturday, November 12th

Bazaar opens at 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to donate cooking, knitting, crafts, and items for our white elephant sale. There is no charge to attend the Bazaar. Great time to purchase those special gifts.

The Fashion Show and Tea is at 2:00 p.m. Come and enjoy tea, small cakes and Fashions from Fashion Today. Tickets at \$10.00 and are available at the church office and fashion today.

ADVENT CALENDAR OF DEVOTIONS 2016

Cost \$ 3.00 Check at Church Office.

COFFEE HOUR Each week we are looking for volunteers to look after coffee and tea after church.

BOOK CLUB The book club will be reading "Brooklyn" by Colm Toibin. Meeting will be announced later in Nov.

CHURCH DIRECTORY. The church directories have arrived. If you did not have your pictures taken, the cost is \$ 20.00. Thanks!

UPPER ROOMS FOR November and December

They are located at the back of the church. Cost is \$ 3.00. We will not have large print for November and December. Will start again in January.

READERS - SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sign-up sheet in lobby.

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.

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CELEBRATION

*Everyone is invited to attend
the Celebration of Peggy Cameron's 95th Birthday
on Sunday, November 13th 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at her home.
(2266 Route 165 Lower Woodstock.) Best Wishes Only!!*