

## ***Saint James United Church***

***June 26, 2016 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost***

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***Welcome!*** *Welcome all visitors and their families who may be worshipping with us this morning. We pray that you will feel free 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 sign our guest book at the back of the sanctuary and join us for Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the Board Room.*

### **WE GATHER**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Introit: #376 "Sprit Of the Living God"**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**This is the day you have made, O God, and we are the people you have made to live in it.**

**But In order to live, we must worship.**

**We come to celebrate where your Word touches our lives.**

**We come in adoration and praise to listen for the Word and share our concerns.**

**Here we can dedicate ourselves anew and receive what is necessary to continue.**

**We come in the name of Christ whose presence brings joy.**

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

June 26 Morning Worship Rev. Brian DeLong 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship 11:30 a.m.

Carleton Manor Service 2:00 p.m.

**Morning Worship for the month of July  
will be at  
the Presbyterian Church**

***If you have noticed someone missing from our congregation, please contact them by phone or visit them in person.  
You may be their "angel."***

### **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.*

**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.*

## **DONATIONS**

*A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Grace Palmer by Jane and Neil Girdwood.*

**CHURCH DIRECTORY.** *Those who had pictures taken at the church will automatically receive a church directory. If you sent in a picture it will be in the directory but if you want to purchase a directory it is \$ 20.00. Please contact the church office, if you have any further questions. Those who would like a directory please let me*

## **PAR REMITTANCE PROGRAM**

*With summer fast approaching 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 FOR MORE DETAILS.**

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

**O God, make the doors of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship, narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to anyone, but rugged enough to turn back any evil. O God, make the doors of this house the gateway to your fullness of life. In Christ's name. Amen**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Creator God, we come to you with skeptical hearts, afraid to trust too deeply, to surrender too completely. You call us to discipleship in our everyday living, and it scares us. Forgive us, O God, that we might find your path amid the tangle of our fears and suspicions. Open our hearts to change and to wholeness through the name of Christ. Amen**

**CHILDREN'S TIME: "WHERE IS HOME FOR YOU?"**

**OPENING HYMN: #806 "O God, Our Help In Ages Past"**

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

**ANTHEM:**

**PRESENTATION OF ROY PRATT SCOUT AWARD**

**SCRIPTURES:                    2 KINGS 2: 1-2, 6-14  
    PSALM 77 VU # 791  
    LUKE 9: 51-62**

**HYMN:            # 560 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"**

**MESSAGE:                    "FOLLOW ME"**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

#### PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY HYMN:

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:

We bring our gifts to you, O God. Here is a symbol of the work of our hands and here is also a symbol of the love of our hearts. Accept them and use them, through Christ our Lord. Amen

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN & LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: Lead on, O Cloud of Presence" # 421

#### 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 He 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.

**BOOK CLUB** Our book club will be reading over the summer  
"The Illegal" by Lawrence Hill.

**UPPER ROOMS FOR July and August** .have arrived and located at  
the back of the church. Cost is \$ 3.00.

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any further questions. Those who would like a directory please let me  
know as soon as possible. Be sure to tell others and they may not  
know about it. Thanks Mary 328-6114

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

*Our Sunday School is in desperate need of teachers  
and assistants for this coming fall. We will be having  
a workshop with planning session for the 1<sup>st</sup> Block  
before the Fall Session begins.  
Please check in with Joan, if this interests you – no  
experience necessary we learn, as we go.*

## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

*Richard Blacquier is looking for someone to help in co-ordination  
sponsors of children in Haiti to aid them in receiving an education.  
This person would be accepting applications and monies for this  
worthwhile project. It would require 8-10 hours a month on  
average. If interested, please call 328-4868.*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

What--Vacation Bible School ( non-denominational)

Where--St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 113 Victoria St., Woodstock

When--July 11-15, 10 am til 2 pm. Lunch will be provided.

Who can come--any child between grades 1 and 5 as of September 2016.

Numbers will be limited to 15 children per day. I will need at least 6 per day to run. You need not sign up for the whole week. Each day will stand alone.

Cost--\$3 per day, \$12 for whole week. Family rates will be available. If cost is an issue to attendance, fee will be waived.

It will be a week of activities centered around human values of caring, sharing, kindness and friendship. These will be explored through stories, crafts, music and games.

If a special needs child wishes to attend, we would require a support person to remain with them

Contact--Avis Golding, Phone--328-8991 or email [aviscameron@gmail.com](mailto:aviscameron@gmail.com).

Whereas space is limited, contact me soon.

## TODAYS SCRIPTURES

### **2 Kings 2:1-2 New International Version (NIV)**

#### **Elijah Taken Up to Heaven**

2 When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel."

But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

[New International Version](#) (NIV)

### **2 Kings 2:6-14 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan."

And he replied, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So the two of them walked on.

<sup>7</sup> Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup> When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied.

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<sup>10</sup>“You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not.”

<sup>11</sup> As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. <sup>12</sup> Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!” And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

<sup>13</sup> Elisha then picked up Elijah’s cloak that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. <sup>14</sup> He took the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and struck the water with it. “Where now is the LORD, the God of Elijah?” he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over.