

Saint James United Church

June 5, 2016 Third Sunday after Pentecost

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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 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: VU # 856 Verse 1 "Behold, How Pleasant"

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 5 Morning Worship Rev. Brian DeLong 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship 11:30 a.m.
Kirk Service 2:00 p.m.
Youth Group Closing 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- June 7 Kirk Cemetery Meeting at Kirk Church 6:30 p.m.
- June 12 Morning Worship Jelly Stone 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School Closing and Congregational Picnic to follow

***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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

GATHERING PRAYER

Lord of all life, whose love is stronger than death, we ask for the sense of your presence as we gather in worship. May we not worship just in ritual but that this time might renew life in us. Be with us as we sing and pray and wait to hear the Word. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of life, you freely share your mercy with us. We often hesitate to share freely with others. We cling to our possessions in order to feel secure. We keep our distance in order to feel safe. We close our eyes in order to remain blissfully ignorant. Have mercy upon us, merciful God, and teach us to offer ourselves for others just as Christ gave himself for us. Amen

CHILDREN'S TIME: "BIRTH OF A NEW CHURCH"

OPENING HYMN: # 274 "Your Hand, O God, Has Guided"

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM: "Psalm of Quietness"

**SCRIPTURES: 1 KINGS 17: 17-24
PSALM 30, VU # 757
LUKE 7: 11-17**

HYMN: # 197 "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD."

MESSAGE: "LET'S HAVE A PARTY"

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:

God, you have given so much to us, more that we deserve. We now return a portion of our richness to you. Help us to share these gifts so that all may have what they need for life and health and happiness. Amen

MINUTE FOR MISSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**CLOSING HYMN: 333 "LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES
EXCELLING"**

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.

Postlude

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 Kirk Cemetery
in memory of Asa and Minnie Cole by
Gerald and Donna Cole, Richard Connors,
Glen Milheron, Debbie Kearney.*

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.**

TODAYS SCRIPTURES

1 Kings 17:17-24 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁷ Some time later the son of the woman who owned the house became ill. He grew worse and worse, and finally stopped breathing. ¹⁸ She said to Elijah, “What do you have against me, man of God? Did you come to remind me of my sin and kill my son?”

¹⁹ “Give me your son,” Elijah replied. He took him from her arms, carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. ²⁰ Then he cried out to the LORD, “LORD my God, have you brought tragedy even on this widow I am staying with, by causing her son to die?” ²¹ Then he stretched himself out on the boy three times and cried out to the LORD, “LORD my God, let this boy’s life return to him!”

²² The LORD heard Elijah’s cry, and the boy’s life returned to him, and he lived. ²³ Elijah picked up the child and carried him down from the room into the house. He gave him to his mother and said, “Look, your son is alive!”

²⁴ Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD from your mouth is the truth.”

Luke 7:11-17 New International Version (NIV)

Jesus Raises a Widow's Son

¹¹ Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. ¹² As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.”

¹⁴ Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

¹⁶ They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.”

¹⁷ This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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 1st Block before the Fall Session begins.

Please check in with Joan, if this interests you – no experience necessary we learn, as we go.

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

June 12th 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship at Jellystone Park Followed by Congregational Picnic.
Please don’t forget your plates, cups, silverware, utensils and Pot Luck Dish. Ranger Peter will have the Water Park open for us that Day so bring your swimwear and towels.

June 5th 2:00 p.m. Kirk Service
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Youth Group Closing

June 7th Annual Kirk Cemetery Meeting at the Kirk Church 6:30 p.m.

June 18th Work Day at The Kirk Cemetery Saturday Morning—For More Information Call John Connell 328-8385 or Lloyd Robinson 328-6878