

Saint James United Church

June 17th, 2018 4th 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 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.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Introit MV#156 – Dance with the Spirit (2X)

Welcome

Question to Ponder How big is your God?

Call to Worship

Scattered seeds, emerging seedlings ...

We are all welcome here.

Youngest children, rugged shepherds, mighty rulers ...

We're here to worship God.

In the love of Christ, created anew ...

We gather to worship and remember.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June 17 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Coffee and Fellowship after the service.

WHS Baccalaureate Service 2:00 p.m.

June 18 Alzheimer Society Support Group 6:00-8:00 p.m.

June 19 Games 1:00 p.m.

Committee Meetings 7:00 p.m.

June 24 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Coffee and Fellowship after the service.

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 Don Stewart by Bette Jean Stewart and Mary Stewart.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Marguerite Carson, wife of Ralph Carson, by Neil and Ellen Carson, Jolene Caverhill, Mary Cliff.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of mother and father, Bea and Wellington Briggs, and brother, James by Margie and Doug Arnold.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GAMES RETREAT *June 25,26,27, 2018*

We have 8 spots available at the Youth Camp for accommodations, meals and a great time of games. Cost \$ 35.00 for overnites and \$ 25.00 for the day.

CAMP GRAMMIE *July 6,7,8, 2018* *AGES 6 – 12*

*Brochures on Bulletin Board in the Lobby.
This year's THEME: "Bible Seasides"*

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP

*This support group meets at Saint James the 3rd Monday of each month. The next meeting will be from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on **June 18, 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.*

Opening Prayer

God of power and might, you have laid hands on us and called us each by name. Like Saul and David before us, we need your hand to anoint and guide us. Like seeds that are scattered on the ground, we need your nourishment to grow and flourish. Anoint us, Holy One, and guide us. Feed us and strengthen us, that we may grow in your grace and walk in your ways. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

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Hymn MV#106 – I Am the Dream

Prayer of Confession

When death comes, lift us out of grief and renew our trust in your resurrection. When tragedy strikes, ease our sorrow and renew our hope in new beginnings. When trouble threatens, strengthen our faith and help us face our doubts. When we cling to death, tragedy, or trouble, forgive us and reclaim us in your mercy. Redirect us, as you redirected Samuel, to focus on life, to listen to you, and to follow your lead. In your holy name we pray. Amen.

(time for silent confession)

Words of Forgiveness

Let God grant the desires of your heart and fulfill all your plans. For in Christ, we are all part of God's new creation. The old things are going away, for new things have arrived.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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Passing the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Ministry of Music

Scripture 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13
 Psalm 20, VU p.742
 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17
 Mark 4:26-34

Meditation

Music for Reflection

Hymn VU#662 – Lead Me, God

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

Now that we have filled these plates with our gifts, we are ready for your miraculous help. Grow our seeds into fruit that feeds the world. Turn our gifts into ministries that transform lives. The world needs our gifts today, not in some distant future. In our giving of time, talent, and treasure, O God, bring your new creation into being, here and now. In hope and gratitude we pray. Amen.

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Minute for Mission

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn MV#161 – I Have Called You by Your Name

Commissioning and Benediction:

As part of God's new creation, go forth to proclaim the good news.
As seeds planted by God, we go to spread God's gifts of love and hope.

Now that our souls are filled, it's time to get going.

Let's go, for the world needs us now!

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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

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Scriptures for June 24, 2018

1 Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

The bulletin today has been dedicated in loving memory of niece, Tamara (Tammy) Campbell by Phyllis Robinson.

REPAIR THE ROOF FUNDRAISER

Our church is in need of major roof repairs to the cost of about \$ 50,000.00. Pictures have been placed on the bulletin board outside the board room for you to see.

We have about \$ 29,000.00 donated already. We will have a thermometer on the bulletin board to keep you informed how we are doing. If you have any questions, please contact the chair of the Board of Stewards, John McLellan. All donations would be greatly appreciated. This project will be taking place in the early spring.

SUMMER IS COMING

WHAT A GREAT WAY TO KEEP

OUR CHURCH GOING!

PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY GIVINGS

MONTHLY PAR FORM

Currently we have 56 members who have monthly givings through the United Church Par Program. This allows you to have monthly deductions for givings from your bank account on the 20th of each month. Forms available at the church office.

UPPER ROOMS FOR JULY AND AUGUST Cost \$ 3.00

Both Small and Large Print are here.

COFFEE HOUR *Special thanks to all groups and individuals who have hosted Coffee Hour.*

Beginning June 3rd. we will be only having coffee and fellowship after church.