

Saint James United Church

August 26, 2018 14th Sunday in 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. Goodship, 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#18 – Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary

Welcome

Call to Worship

We gather in the house of the Lord.

We know that God is close – we want nothing more.

We receive God's strength and wisdom and we respond with praise,

Like warm sunshine God's love pours into our lives.

Let us turn to God in trust, assured that God blesses us with all good things.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Aug. 26 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Coffee and Fellowship after the service.
- Sept. 2 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Presider: Heather Donnelly
Organist: Marjorie Hewson
Coffee and Fellowship after the service.

The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of all those who are no longer with us by Phyllis Robinson.

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 Roof Fund in loving memory of John Depow by Peggy Cameron, David and Debbie Daye..

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Alice Webb by Mary Leigh Webb.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Verna Grant by David and Debbie Daye.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Mary Cliff by David and Debbie Daye.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Shirley McCallum by David and Debbie Daye.

*A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Shirley McCallum by Hayward and Carole Dow,
Laurie Hood.*

A donation has been made to the Kirk Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Shirley McCallum by Don and Crystal Brown.

Opening Prayer

In the radiance of your Holiness, we gather in your presence, this place beloved and sacred, signs and symbols of faith abound. We have found our home here because you open your arms to us, your love and compassion given to all. With humility and trust we gather to worship and to praise in hope and faith. Amen.

Hymn MV#1 – Let Us Build a House

Prayer of Confession

You equip us for every trial, O God, yet we forsake the protection you afford. Even as we pledge our fidelity and trust, we act contrary to your ways. Even as we celebrate the faithful witness of our foremothers and forefathers, we act ignorant of their example. Even as we confess you with our lips, we deny you in our words and deeds. Forgive us this day, Merciful One, and make us ambassadors of Christ, who gives us the strength to lift up our needs in prayer. Amen.

(time for silent confession)

Words of Forgiveness

The One who is our protector and shield is our source of joy and happiness. The One who guards us from the forces of darkness is our hope and salvation.

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 Ephesians 6:10-20
 John 6: 56-69

Meditation

Music for Reflection

Hymn MV#154 – Deep In Our Hearts

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

Great Spirit, we offer up these gifts and those given through PAR with hope and trust, that we may stand firm in our faith and be your place of homecoming to all who wander. Amen.

Minute for Mission Announcements

Call to Prayer VU#381 – Spirit of Life

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU#337 – Blessed Assurance

Commissioning and Benediction

We go from this time together encouraged, hopeful, blessed and strengthened – confident that the Spirit goes with us and knowing that the Spirit will lead us back.

Amen.

Choral Benediction MV#223 – We Will Go with God

Postlude

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Scriptures for September 2, 2018

Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Ps 45; James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CO-ORDINATORS - VOLUNTEERS

Looking for a Co-ordinator to schedule volunteers for Coffee Hour each Sunday.

Fall Supper Co-ordinator is needed. If we do not have a volunteer in place, we may have to cancel.

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 September 17, 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.

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 \$ 30,340.00 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.

UPPER ROOMS FOR September and October Cost \$ 3.00

Large Print hopefully will be here this week..