

## **Saint James United Church**

**July 29, 2018 10<sup>th</sup> 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. 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** VU#370 – Send Your Holy Spirit (2X)

**Welcome**

**Question to Ponder** When have you experienced abundance, beyond what you could have imagined?

**Call to Worship**

Bring your lives, bring your gifts.

**We all are welcome here.**

Bring your hopes, bring your dreams.

**Our hopes and dreams are inspired by God.**

Bring your prayers, bring your praise.

**We gather to worship in love.**

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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

July 29 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee and Fellowship after the service.

Gospel Concert –McCain Theatre 6:00 p.m.  
Admission \$ 10.00

July 31 Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Aug 4 NB HALL OF FAME TRIBUTE JAMBOREE  
Honouring Music Legend Donnie Cluff  
Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. McCain Theatre  
Woodstock High School Cost \$ 10.00

Aug. 5 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee and Fellowship after the service.

### **SUMMER SERVICES**

*Regular services will be held at Saint James during the months of July and August. Rev. Debra's last service will be August 19<sup>th</sup>.*

*On August 26<sup>th</sup> we will have a guest minister from Alberta, Rev. Ray Goodship. Look forward to seeing everyone.*

### **SPECIAL THANKS**

*The congregation would like to express our gratitude to the members of the Joint Needs Assessment Committee for their diligent work in preparing the JNAC report. This will now be presented to Presbytery for approval.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ALZHEIMER SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP

*This support group meets at Saint James the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. The next meeting will be from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on August 20, 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 \$ 29,547.74 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 HERE! WHAT A GREAT WAY TO KEEP OUR CHURCH GOING!**

### PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY GIVINGS

*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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.*

**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.*

### *Opening Prayer*

**As we gather, nourish us with your presence, Bread of Life. As we worship, fill us with springs of faith, Living Water. As we learn, inspire us with holy wisdom, Eternal Spirit. Help us recognize our gifts and discern how best to share them for the healing of your world.**

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*Hymn* VU#375 – Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

### *Prayer of Confession*

**Miraculous God, inspire us to notice your miracles in every moment of our lives. When we doubt our own gifts, grant us the vision to see as you see. When we are afraid to follow, grant us the courage to go where you lead. When we are tempted to use our gifts selfishly, grant us servant-hearts, that we may share our gifts generously in the service of others. Inspire us this day, Holy One, that we may be part of your miraculous love. Amen.**

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*(time for silent confession)*

### *Words of Forgiveness*

The love of Christ is beyond knowledge. Yet in that love, we are forgiven and reconciled to God. In that love, we are filled entirely with God's grace. This is the miracle of infinite love.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

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### *Passing the Peace of Christ*

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

### *Ministry of Music*

**Prayer of Illumination**

Compassionate One, open our hearts, our lives, and our senses to revelations both old and new, for we are seeking newness in the message that is as old as you. Amen.

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**Scripture** Ephesians 3:14-21  
John 6:1-21

**Meditation**

**Music for Reflection**

**Hymn** MV#133 – Jesus Laughed Out Loud

**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**

**Bless our gifts and bless us with your miraculous love, that our gifts may nurture your creation with abundance and hope. Bless our offerings this day, that all who are hungry may be fed, and all who yearn for love may experience love living in and through us. With thanksgiving and hope, we pray. Amen.**

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**Minute for Mission** (printed)

**Announcements**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn** VU#481 – Sent Forth by God's Blessing

**Commissioning and Benediction**

Gifted by God, go now to serve.  
**We go to serve with miraculous joy and faith!**  
Gifted by God, go now to love.  
**We go to love as we have been loved.**  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

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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 August 5, 2018**

2 Sam 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6

**DONATIONS**

***A donation has been made to the Roof Project in loving memory of Mary Cliff, mother of Jolene Caverhill, by Peter and Janet Clark, Lesley Johnson, Charles and Gloria Calhoun, John and Mary Wheelan.***

***A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Mary Cliff, by Peggy Cameron.***