

Saint James United Church

August 5, 2018 11th 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#401 – Worship the Lord (sing chorus 2x)

Welcome

Question to Ponder What is my “job” as a Christian in today’s world?

Call to Worship

There is one body, one spirit, one Lord of all.

We are one body in Christ, bound together in holy love.

There is one hope, one faith, one Father of all.

We are one family of God, blessed with gifts of one Spirit.

There is one baptism, one true home, one Mother of all.

We are one people, nourished by God with the food of eternal life.

Come! Let us worship.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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

Aug.12 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Baptism
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 19th. On August 26th we will have a guest minister from Alberta, Rev. Ray Goodship. Look forward to seeing everyone.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 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 \$ 29,650.74 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 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.

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.*

Affirmation of Faith

There is one hope, one calling, to which we are called.

The hope in our lives is Jesus.

There is one hope, one calling, to which we are called.

The call we must answer is God's.

There is one faith, one hope, one Lord of us all.

The Lord of our lives is Jesus.

There is one baptism, one Father, one Mother of us all.

The creator who calls us is God.

We are one body, one family, one church,

woven by the Spirit with bonds of peace.

With Christ's children throughout the world,

we are one body in unity and love.

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Hymn VU#401 – Worship the Lord

Prayer of Confession

Have mercy on us, great God of compassion, for our thoughts often dwell where they should not. Wash us completely of our many failings, for our actions often do us no credit. Forgive us when we forsake your unity and concord in favour of division and mistrust. Heal us when we prefer the waters of resentment to the living waters of your grace. Put your truth deep inside us, and give us a hunger for your ways, that we may grow into Christ, who is the fullness of your love. Amen.

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(time for silent confession)

Words of Forgiveness

In Christ, we are knit together into one family – a family of faith, hope, and love. When we come to Christ in humility, we will never be hungry or thirsty; we will know the delight of eternal lie in his name.
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

Eternal God, in the reading of scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

Scripture Ephesians 4:1-16
 Matthew 14:22-33

Meditation *Patrick Palmer*

Music for Reflection

Hymn VU#608 – Dear God, Who Loves All Humankind

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

God of grace and glory, receive the gifts we have received from your hand into the service of this church and the world. Transform our lives into acts of your grace, that we may be bound into one body, and one spirit, through Christ, the author of our salvation. Amen.

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Minute for Mission (printed)

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU#651 – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Commissioning and Benediction

Go forth to lead lives worthy of your calling. Go forth as one body, one spirit,

to share the one Lord of all.

Go forth to speak the truth in love.

We go forth in one hope, one baptism, to share our gifts with the world.

Go forth to build up the world in love. And go forth 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 12, 2018

2 Sam 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Ps 130; Eph 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

B I B L E

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

- When in sorrow.....John 14
- When men fail you.....Psalm 27
- When you have sinned.....Psalm 51
- When you have worry.....Matthew 6:19-34
- When you are in danger.....Psalm 91
- When God seems far away.....Psalm 139
- When your faith needs stirring.....Hebrews 11
- When you are lonely and fearful.....Psalm 23
- When you grow bitter and critical.....1 Cor. 13
- When you feel down and out.....Romans 8:31-39
- When you want peace and rest.....Matthew 11:25-30
- When the world seems bigger than GodPsalm 90
- When you want Christian assurance.....Romans 8:1-30
- When you leave home for labor or travel.....Psalm 121
- When your prayers grow narrow or selfish.....Psalm 67
- When you want courage for a task.....Joshua 1
- When you think of investments/returns.....Mark 10
- How to get along with fellowmen.....Romans 12
- For great invention/opportunity.....Isaiah 55
- For Paul's secret to happiness.....Col. 3:12-17
- If you want to be fruitful.....John 15
- If your pocketbook is empty.....Psalm 37
- If your losing confidence in people.....1Cor. 13
- If people seem unkind.....John 15
- If discouraged about your work.....Psalm 126
- If you find the world growing small, and you great.....Psalm 19

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DONATIONS

A donation has been made to the Choir Fund in loving memory of Mary Cliff, mother of Jolene Caverhill, by Phyllis Robinson.

A donation has been made to the Building Fund in loving memory of Mary Cliff, by Wayne McCallum.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Mary Cliff, by John and Carol McLellan.

A donation has been made to the Roof Project in loving memory of Mary Cliff, mother of Jolene Caverhill, Marion MacFarlane, Joan Hall, Andrea Dimock, Mary Dimock, Fran Grzesik

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Garth McAuley, John and Mary Wheelan.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of John Depow, brother of Jane Boyd, by John and Mary Wheelan.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Shirley McCallum by Phyllis Robinson, John and Mary Wheelan, Ruby MacNabb, Peter and Diana Kennedy, Andrew and Ellen Hatt, Stanley and Betty Kerr, John and Carol McLellan, Royce Brown, Florence and Frank Petrie, Carla Opie, Gail and Frank Lipsett, Franklin and Jean Robinson, Seniors Forever Young Club, Lloyd and Karen Bragdon, Arthur and Maude VanDine, Brian and Jane Boyd, Joyce and Merlin Gibson. Dale and Kathy Cox, Scott and Lisa Dunlop.

A donation has been made to the Kirk Cemetery in loving memory of Shirley McCallum, by Gordon and Anne Jones, Shirley Murray, The Matthews Family (Vicki, Bob, Tom and Nancy) Marion MacFarlane, Charles and Gloria Calhoun, Mr. and Mrs. James Tompkins, H. Ross Hood and Family,

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Dr. Hetherington Scholarship

The recipients of the Dr. Hetherington Scholarship for 2017 – 2018 were Kiah Dolimount and Bryan Green.