

Saint James United Church

September 30, 2018 19th 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 Heather Donnelly, 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 More Voices #7 - Gather Us In (2x)

Call to Worship

One: I am the church; you are the church.

All: **We are the church together.**

One: We depend on our seniors and long-time members to remember where we came from and where we have been.

All: **We are the church together.**

One: We depend on our children to retell our sacred stories as they grow.

All: **We are the church together.**

One: We depend on our youth and young adults to ask us why we do things this way and to suggest something new.

All: **We are the church together.**

One: We need each other to be the church.

All: **We are the church together.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept. 30 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Presider: Heather Donnelly
Coffee and Fellowship after the service.
- Oct. 1,2,3 BRING YARD SALE ITEMS—VOLUNTEERS FOR SET-UP
- Oct. 2 Games 1:00 p.m.
Pathfinders and Rangers 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 3 Quilting 1:00 p.m.
Choir 7:15 p.m.
- Oct. 4 Unity Group 2:00 p.m.
- Oct. 7 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Presider: Bev Sharpe
Intergenerational
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 Kirk Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Shirley Cluff, wife of James Cluff, by Wayne McCallum, Ruby MacNabb.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of husband, Allison Mac Nabb by wife Ruby MacNabb.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Vivian Cummings, wife of Glenn Cummings, by Heather and Joey Voutour, Fran Grzesik, John and Carol McLellan.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Shirley Cluff, wife of James Cluff, by Jolene Caverhill, Mary Dimock, Ralph and Avis Vail.

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Vivian Cummings, wife of Glenn Cummings, by Mary Dimock

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Betty Black, wife of Lloyd Black,, by Jolene Caverhill

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Betty Black, wife of Lloyd Black,, by Fran Grzesik.

A donation has been made to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Janet Harrison by Parents, Bud and Doe Stewart.

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

Welcome

Opening Prayer (together)

God of all our hopes and longings, fill us with desire and courage to live life to its fullest. We trust in you and give thanks for your presence in all the stages of our lives. You are the breath of our sighing, the prayer of our longing, the song of our praise. You give our actions meaning and help all things to work together for good – even the difficult things. Help us to cherish each moment and each person placed upon our path and in our story. Praise be!

Hymn God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness VU#260

Soul Searching

One: Creator of us all, we sometimes forget:

All: We forget that we are not alone, we forget that you made us, we forget that we have had help along the way, we forget to ask for what we need.

One: Embodied God, remind us that we are surrounded.

All: We are surrounded by the people you have created and by the many gifts you have given them to share. Remind us of our own gifts and the ways we may use them in community.

One: Suffering Savior, we confess that in our own struggle to survive,

All: We have ignored other communities. We have forgotten that they too have the right to survive. Make us mindful. Make us compassionate. Help us to see you in one another.

(silent reflection)

Words of Assurance

Greeting Each Other

Time for All Ages

Hymn: Be Thou My Vision VU#642

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture *Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22*
Psalm 124 – Voices United page 848
Mark 9:38-50

Meditation

Music for Reflection

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

**May these tangible gifts and all the intangible gifts we share
among us make known to the world that God is within us and
among us. Amen.**

Minute for Mission

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Prayer of Jesus

beginning and ending with: O God, We Call VU#411

The Prayer of Jesus, adapted by Parker Palmer

Heavenly Father, Heavenly Mother,

Holy and blessed is your true name.

We pray for your reign of peace to come,

We pray that your good will be done,

**Let Heaven and earth become one.
Give us this day the bread we need,
Give it to those who have none.
Let forgiveness flow like a river,
From each one to each one to each one.
Lead us to holy innocence, beyond the evil of our days,
Come swiftly, Mother, Father, come.
For yours is the power and the mercy and the glory.
Forever your name is all in one. Amen.
Oh God, We Call...**

Hymn There's a Spirit in The Air VU#582

Commissioning and Benediction

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

***The bulletin has been dedicated in loving memory
of the deceased members of class of 1968.***

lectionary Scriptures for October 7, 2018

Job 1: 1, 2: 1-10

Psalm 26 or Psalm 25

Hebrews 1: 1-4 2: 5-12

Mark 10: 2-16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE STORY OF FOUR BODIES

Somebody, Everybody, Anybody and Nobody

Somebody, Everybody, Anybody and Nobody were neighbors. They were hard people to understand. The way some of them lived was a shame, and Everybody knew it. Somebody was gossiping about the neighbors and Everybody knew it was wrong. Anybody might have refused to listen but Nobody did.

Anybody knew that Everybody was talking about Somebody. All four belonged to the same church. Anybody wanted to worship, but wouldn't go because Anybody wasn't speaking to Somebody. Nobody was faithful at Church. Nobody worked in the Church. When they needed a Sunday School teacher, Everybody thought Anybody could do it better. Guess who finally did it ----Nobody.

A fifth neighbor moved in to the neighborhood. (an unbeliever) Everybody thought Somebody would visit the new neighbor. Anybody could have made the effort, but didn't. Do you know who finally influenced that neighbor spiritually???? Nobody!!!!

FALL SUPPER COORDINATOR

John and Carol McLellan will coordinate the Fall Supper with the help of many volunteers who will chair the committees. Thanks to all who helped to make this happen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS & VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of Sunday School Teachers and Volunteers for this fall. Please contact Joan Hall at 425-2438 or 328-6114.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTREACH

OPERATION SPONGE BOB SQUARE PANTS

This Fall our Sunday School outreach program involves gathering monetary donations to buy jogging pants and underwear, sizes 4,5,6,and 6x for area schools. Accidents do happen! Our younger students and schools are in need of those items, as most are not returned after use.

*We thank You so much.
Receipts will be issued through
your weekly envelopes.
Project will end October 14th.*

COMMITTEES FOR 2019

It may seem early but we need to think about our committees for the up coming year. If you are not presently on a committee and would like to be, just leave you name at the church office and you will be contacted.

SEASON OF PLENTY

*All those with extra produce from your vegetable Harvest, please bring the next few Sundays to share with those who have none--
-Extra cukes, tomatoes, etc. Everything welcome.*

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 \$ 33,751.74 donated already.

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 completed in the fall.

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 October 15, 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.

UPPER ROOMS FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Cost \$ 3.00

Large Print are on there way.

YARD SALE

The date has been set for our Annual Fall Yard Sale.

Thursday, October 4th 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

You can bring your items October 1st.

Set up is Oct 1,2,3 and we appreciate any volunteers who can help.

ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS:

Please check the bulletin board. There is a brochure and entry forms to submit Cover Photos for the Bulletin Covers and the United Church's Calendar. Would love to see some of your photos on these church covers and calendar.

VALLEY FOOD BANK

Food Bank Sunday is the first Sunday of each month.

Your donations are much appreciated.

DIVORCE CARE

Beginning October 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Keith and Jane Bull Contact: 323-9876

COMMUNICATION

We are working on letting everyone know the up and coming events of the church.

I would appreciate having your email address as each week I send out a message called "Keeping In Touch."

Also be sure to check out our Website which is currently being updated.

FALL KIRK SERVICE

There will not be a Fall Kirk Service but we will have the Family Christmas Service at the Kirk on December 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.