# Saint James United Church April 14, 2019 Palm Sunday

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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

Processional Hymn/Parade of Palms - VU #123, Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Presenting the Story

Welcome, Announcements, and Minute for Mission

# Call to Worship

One: Lent began in the wilderness; it concludes in Jerusalem.

All: We now come near to the end of one story. Another will soon begin.

We have followed Jesus this far;

today we remember how he faced betrayal, falsehoods, rejection, and torment.

And we witness, once more, that he taught and walked in love through every step of the journey.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr.14 Palm Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Palm Parade
Sunshine Singers
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room

Apr.15 Alzheimer Support Group 6:00 p.m.

Apr.16 Games 1:00 p.m. Sparks / Pathfinders/Rangers 6:30 p.m.

Apr.17 Quilting 1:00 p.m. Choir 7:15 p.m.

Apr.18 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 p.m, with Communion at Faith Memorial, Florenceville

Apr.19 Good Friday Service 10:30 a.m. Good Friday Evening Service 7:00 p.m. in Centreville

Apr.21 Sunrise Service at Farm Market 7:00 a.m.
Easter Breakfast 8:00 a.m.
Easter Service with Communion 10:30 a.m.
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room

<u>JUST A REMINDER</u> Due to many people suffering from allergies, 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.

#### 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 endeavor 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.

## PAR REMITTANCE PROGRAM

This is a great time of year to sign up for our PAR REMITTANCE PROGRAM! If you have automatic debits from your bank account to pay your bills, then you understand the PAR principle. It means regular contributions throughout the year. Even when we are away, our church has commitments every week. This is a convenient way to support both the local church and M&S. CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE DETAILS.

Hymn VU 124 "He Came Riding On A Donkey"

Children's Time

Time of Soul Searching

O God, I think I am strong. I like to be in control. I like to be at the center. Maybe being strong is about survival; about perseverance about doing what I ought to do. Sometimes I am aware that I am not so strong. Sometimes I sense that I am not in control. Sometimes I know that I am not centered in you, but in myself. Strip away the illusion of strength and help me to live by faith. Take away the illusion of control and lead me to live by hope. Remove the illusion that I am at the center of all things and, even in my pride, guide me to a life of love.

-Silent prayers of confession-

Words of Assurance

Hymn VU #603 "In Loving Partnership"

Anthem "Open the Gates"

(Before the scriptures, we'll sing VU 840, Refrain 5, please remain seated)

Scriptures Psalm 118 Voices United page 837

Philippians 2: 5 - 11 Luke 19: 28 - 40

Message

Music for Meditation

Hymn MV #128, When They Heard That Jesus Was Coming, verses 1-2-3 + 6

#### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

## Invitation to the Offering – Offertory MV #191

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

We cast these gifts before you, O God, as palms were cast before Jesus long ago.

We lay them on your altar in praise, thanksgiving, and joy. Receive them back from our hands, that they may become a greater blessing in your hands. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern followed by <u>The Prayer of</u> <u>Jesus</u>, adapted by Parker Palmer (or version of your choice)

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

### VU # 968 Amen

Hymn VU #600 "When I Needed a Neighbour"

Blessing and Sending Forth

#### Choral Benediction VU #600 -

When they shouted hosanna, were you there, were you When they shouted hosanna, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, I'll be there.

#### **Postlude**

Lectionary Readings for April 21

Acts 10: 34 – 43

Psalm 118: 1 – 2, 14 – 24

1 Corinthians 15: 19 – 26

John 20: 1 – 18 or Luke 24: 1 - 12

# **SAVE THE DATE**

April 25<sup>th</sup> Drive Through Roast Beef Dinner
To replace Bell Tower at the Kirk Church
April 27<sup>th</sup> U.C. W. Rally
May 3<sup>rd</sup>. / 4<sup>th</sup> Spring Yard Sale.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE April 21 June 2, 2019 Spreading God's Love

- April 21, 2019 Easter Sunday Sunday School Children will be presenting an Easter Play No formal Sunday School Communion
- April 28, 2019 Believing the Good News Answering the question Can we still have faith even if we doubt? Regular Classes. Children will be learning a new song to share at later date.
- May 5, 2019 Children will be exploring the difference between a "disciple" learner and "apostle" one sent out a messenger. Regular Classes.
- May 12, 2019 Mother's Day children will be exploring "The Lord is My Shepherd." Regular Classes
- May 19, 2019 Intergenerational Service Children stay in church with parents.
- May 26, 2019 Believing God's Promise and Telling the Good News. Regular Classes.
- June 2, 2019 Sunday School Closing. Events to be announced. Certificates given out.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## ALZEHIMER 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 **April 15, 2019**. 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.

<u>LENTEN SERVICES</u> Faith Memorial will be having a Maundy Thursday Service with Communion on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is Welcome.

# ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH, CENTREVILLE

On Good Friday, April 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
St. Paul's United Church 3175 Main St. Centreville
will be holding a Good Friday Service.
From the Manger to the Cross
The Redeeming Life of Christ in Scripture and Song.

### **UPPER ROOMS FOR**

May and June..are at back of church. Cost \$ 3.00

## C.E. CENTRE AND KITCHEN

The Board of Stewards have decided the next project will be a new floor in the C.E. Centre and Kitchen. The cost will be \$7,500.00.

We have \$ 1,460 donated already.

All donations would be greatly appreciated. We invite the congregation to contribute donations through their church envelopes in which receipts will be issued next year. This project will be taking place in the early spring.

## ROAST BEEF DRIVE THROUGH SUPPER

4:00 – 5:30 P.M. Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> BY DONATION Proceeds to replace Bell Tower at the Kirk Church in Northampton Roast Beef, Gravy, Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Roll and Apple Crumble.

# <u>SPRING YARD SALE</u>

FRIDAY, MAY. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 NOON

# **SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!!**

Set-Up will be April 29<sup>th</sup> until May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Volunteer workers would be appreciated for set-up, clean up, and working the two days of the sale.

#### LENTEN PROJECT

As our Lenten project the congregation will be gathering items to send to the Philippines. Lana McKay's daughter-in-law is from there and these boxes will be sent to her family to distribute to those in need. A list of needed items will be in our bulletins.

The Sunday School children will be asked to bring in used or new story books and school supplies. The next container ship will leaving mid June so our project will be extended until Easter. It costs \$ 160.00 per large box. For shipping so monetary donations are welcomed. Charge is by size, not weight.

## **Summer Weight Clothing**

Men's Small

Children all sizes

Children's Raincoats, rubber

boots, umbrellas

Towels, facecloths, bar soap Dish towels, dish cloths

**Tablecloths** 

**Kitchen Utensils, plastic bowls** 

Pillow cases, and sheets

Material

School Supplies English books

Paper, pens, pencils, erasers, Crayons, colouring books,

**Activity books** 

**Toys**