

Saint James United Church

April 7, 2019 Fifth Sunday in Lent

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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 Bev Sharpe 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 121 "Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery" verse 5

(As part of a long and rich history of The United Church and ethnic ministries comes Han. It is a Korean concept of frozen and knotted feelings of despair, helplessness, fear, anger, and other negative feelings that have accumulated over a period of time and remained in a person.)

Call to Worship

Leader: We have been called the salt of the earth,

All: let us remain distinguished and salty.

Leader: We have been called the light of the world,

All: let us shine brightly in the midst of pain or confusion.

Leader: We have been called a city set on a hill,

All: let us, like Jerusalem, lift our gates, lift our hearts, lift our voices in the worship of God.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr. 7	Morning Worship Sunshine Singers Once In A While Choir Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room	10:30 a.m.
Apr. 8	Travel Club	7:00 p.m.
Apr. 9	Games Sparks / Pathfinders/Rangers	1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Apr. 10	Lenten Service at St. Luke's 5 th Week of Lent Presider Joan Hall, St. James United Reflection Rev. Rod Black, Parish of Richmond	12:05 p.m. Readings Daniel 3:13-28 Ps 24:1-6 John 8:31-47
	Quilting Choir	1:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Apr. 12	Ninth Acts	7:00 p.m.
Apr. 14	Palm Sunday Morning Worship Sunshine Singers Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room	10:30 a.m.

JUST A REMINDER *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.

95th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

*You are invited to Muriel McLellan's
95th Birthday Party on April 7th
in Sam's room at the Ayr Motor Center,
from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Refreshments will be served.*

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Prayer of Approach

Glorious God, we come together as your people. We come as a praising people, singing your goodness; we come as a praying people, bringing our needs, our joys. We come as a listening people, opening to your Word. Fill us with your love and empower us for faithful living, we pray.

Hymn VU # 820 "Make a Joyful Noise"

Children's Time

Prayer of Confession

God of love and grace, you know the secrets of our hearts: how blind we are to our own faults, yet harsh in judging others. How swift we are to take for gain, yet slow to give for others. How proud we are of our success, yet grudging in our praise of others. Remember O God, your tender care and love unending. Do not remember our sins and offences, but remember us in your goodness in accordance with your endless mercy.

Words of Assurance

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Anthem "In A Servant's Heart"

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

Scripture Readings

**Isaiah 43:16–21
Psalm 126 (VU p. 850)
Philippians 3:4b–14
John 12:1–8**

Message

Music for Meditation *Turnstiles and Crooked Miles*
 Angela Young

Hymn *VU # 560* *“O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”*

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Presentation of Offering *“Near To The Heart of God”*
 in memory of Laurine Wright
 by Doreen Canam

Offertory prayer

Caring God, may we offer not only our material gifts, but our whole selves to you, and all to those who need our support in the quest for justice. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Liberator. Amen

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern and the Lord’s Prayer
(followed by Amen #968 in Voices United, please remain seated)

Hymn *MV # 127* *“I Saw the Rich Ones”*

Closing Prayer

Leader: Go into the world, dance, laugh, sing and create.

All: We go with the assurance of your blessing, O God.

Leader: Go into the world, risk, explore, discover and love.

All: We go with the assurance of your grace, O God.

Leader: Go into the world, believe, hope, struggle and remember.

All: We go with the assurance of your love, O God. Thanks be to God

Choral Benediction *MV #213* *“Take Up His Song”*

Take up his song of peace, and go into the world
Take up his song of peace in ev'ry moment
In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying
down our lives; lay them down in peace,
lay them down, and take up his song

.Postlude

Food for thought...

“You may call God love, you may call God goodness. But, the best name for God is compassion.” Meister Eckhart

Lectionary Readings for April 14

Luke 19: 28 - 40

Psalms 118 1 – 2, 19 - 29

SAVE THE DATE

April	12 th	Ninth Acts
April	21 st	Sunrise Service at Farm Market 7:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast 8:00 a.m. Easter Service with Communion 10:30 a.m.
April	25 th	Drive Through Roast Beef Dinner To replace Bell Tower at the Kirk Church
May	4 th	Spring Yard Sale.
May	26 th	Spring Kirk Service

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 25th BY DONATION

Proceeds to replace Bell Tower at the Kirk Church in Northampton

**Roast Beef, Gravy, Potatoes,
Carrots, Peas, Roll and Apple Crumble.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9th ACTS VARIETY SHOW *This year's date for our 9th Acts is Friday, April 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. here in the C. E. Centre. We will also be having a **Silent Auction** at this time.....so get your Acts fine tuned, and your items gathered for the Auction. **Let Joan know if you have either of these. Thanks!!***

DEBEC SALAD PLATE. **FOR THOSE WHO PLACED ORDERS, DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR SALAD PLATES ON WEDNESDAY**

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 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. **SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR POSTER ON ALZHEIMER JOURNEY:***

LENTEN SERVICES *Faith Memorial will be having a Maundy Thursday Service with Communion on April 18th 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 February and March and May and June.. *are at back of church. Cost \$ 3.00*

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
Ladies 6 – 10
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

New tables are required in the C.E. center.

If you would like to help we will be purchasing 20 new ones this year.

Tables are \$200.00 each and on the bottom of each table we will be putting, Donated by.

Example

**This Table Donated by
John & Carol McLellan**



LiteLift II

72" x 30" Rectangular Table
MVLFR72



Description

- Multi-purpose folding table
- Light weight, durable, portable, easy to clean
- Polypropylene waterproof top, oyster grey finish
- Folding steel legs finished in scuff resistant textured charcoal epoxy coating
- LiteLift II meets all BIFMA standards for strength and durability

Specifications

Dimensions 72"W x 30"D x 29.2"H
Weight 36 lbs / 16.3 kg
Volume 3.06 ft³ / 0.09 m³