

## **Saint James United Church**

**June 23, 2019 Second Sunday after 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 MV 2 Come All You People**

**Call to Worship**

**One:** Come, all you whose souls thirst for the living God.

**All:** **We come in search of help and hope.**

Come, you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.

**We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.**

Come, you who are in need of good news.

**We come in search of joy, truth, and light.**

Come and find refuge in God your rock.

**Let us again praise the One who is our help and our hope.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Minute for Mission**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

June 23 Morning Worship/ 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room

June 25 Pathfinders/ 6:30 p.m.

June 30 Morning Worship/ 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in Board Room

### **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.

### **SCRIPTURES FOR June 30**

2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14      Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20  
Galatians 5: 1, 13-25      Luke 9: 51-62

### **DONATIONS**

A donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Bud Stewart and by Robert and Teresa Harrison.

A donation has been made to the Building Fund in loving memory of Bud Stewart and by Janet MacElwain.

A donation has been made to the Kirk Church Fund in loving memory of Lorna Cluff by Blair and Angela Young.

# **SUMMER HAS ARRIVED**

## **THE 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  
FOR DETAILS  
HOW TO PARTICIPATE!**

*For where your treasure is,  
there your heart will be also.  
Matthew 6: 21*

### *Opening Prayer*

**O God, you come to us not in the chaos of the whirlwind, not in the roar of the earthquake, not in the crackling heat of the fire, but in the sound of sheer silence. Quiet our minds, bring peace to our hearts and stillness to our bodies that we might meet you in that silence. Help us to listen for your still, small voice. Give us the courage to go wherever you lead us, trusting that you will prepare the way. We pray this in the name of our Companion on the journey. Amen**

*Hymn VU 267 Like a Mighty River Flowing verses 1, 2, 3*

### *Time of Soul Searching*

Leader: We confess, O God,  
that we often find ourselves distracted  
by a legion of destructive voices that make false  
promises.

Surely these are our inner demons:

**People: We believe safety and security can reside in ample  
bank accounts.**

We think that success leads to real happiness.

**We equate power with dominating others.**

We hold fast to pain and anger as if they were treasure  
in a chest.

**We soothe our fear of failure with substances that  
do harm.**

We feed our hunger for love and approval with food  
that does not satisfy.

**Break hold of the chains that bind us, O God.**

**Set us free from the tombs in which we dwell.**

*-silent reflection -*

### *Words of Assurance*

*Hymn VU 359 He Came Singing Love*

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

### *Anthem Psalm of Quietness*

*Scriptures*            1 Kings 19: 1 – 15a  
                              Psalms 42 & 43 VU 768  
                              Galatians 3: 23 – 29  
                              Luke 8: 26 - 39

### *Message*

### *Music for Meditation*

### *Hymn MV 27 Creator God You Gave Us Life*

## 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*

Loving God, we share what we have because you share so abundantly with us.

May our sharing be an act of thanksgiving and praise for all you have done and all you will continue to do for us. We dedicate these gifts and offer ourselves to your service. Bless us and our gifts,

that we might be a source of help, hope, and joy to a world in need. With grateful hearts we pray, Amen.

### *Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern and the Lord's Prayer*

**Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker.  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo  
through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed  
by all peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done  
by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and forever. Amen.**

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### *Hymn VU 577 I've Got Peace Like a River*

### *Blessing and Sending Forth*

### **Choral Benediction – MV #156 Dance With the Spirit**

**Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',  
walk\* with the Spirit throughout the long day.  
Work and hope for the new life a-bornin',  
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**

### **Postlude**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SAVE THE DATE** Fall planning meeting: August 19, 2019  
7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Joan is looking for people interested in Programs for the Fall. Anyone with ideas, hearts, and hands, please come. We need you to plan Your Year!

**SIGN CHANGING** Looking for a volunteer to look after our church sign weekly starting in the fall to change the announcements. Please let Mary know if you would like to take this on.

**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. 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.

### **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 **July 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.

### **TO ALL OUR PHOTOGRAPHERS**

**The United Church is looking for Photos for the United Church Calendars and the Bulletin Covers.**

I have posted the information on the bulletin board outside my office. Please feel free to take a copy as to procedure and dates to send in.