

## **Saint James United Church**

**October 27, 2019 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**Admin. Assistant: Mary Wheelan C.D. Coordinator: Joan Hall**

**Ushers: Ray Kierstead, Glenn MacDonald, Mike Connell**



*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 C.E. Centre..*

### **WE GATHER**

*Prelude*

*Introit MV # 144 Like a Healing Stream V.1*

**Like a healing stream in a barren desert,  
Spirit water bringing life to dusty earth.  
God is trickling through our lives  
as in a dream unfolding, promising revival  
and rebirth, like a healing stream.  
Like a river strong, like a gentle rain,  
like a healing stream.**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

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| <b>October 27</b> | <b>Morning Worship</b>                                     | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> |
|                   | <b>Sunday School</b>                                       |                   |
|                   | <b>Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the C.E. Centre</b>       |                   |
|                   | <b>Sunshine Singers and Handbells</b>                      |                   |
| <b>October 28</b> | <b>Fellowship Unit</b>                                     | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>October 29</b> | <b>Games</b>   | <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  |
|                   | <b>Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers</b>                        | <b>6:30 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>October 30</b> | <b>Quilting</b>  | <b>1:00 p.m.</b>  |
|                   | <b>Choir</b>   | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  |
|                   | <b>Cantata Practice</b>                                    | <b>7:45 p.m.</b>  |
| <b>NOTE:</b>      | <b>Food Bank Sunday is the first Sunday of each month.</b> |                   |
| <b>November 3</b> | <b>Morning Worship</b>                                     | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> |
|                   | <b>Food Bank Sunday</b>                                    |                   |
|                   | <b>Sunday School</b>                                       |                   |
|                   | <b>Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the C.E. Centre</b>       |                   |
|                   | <b>Sunshine Singers and Handbells</b>                      |                   |

*In the next few months we will be having a fire drill during our morning worship service.  
There are notices by the exits throughout the church which you should familiarize yourself with.*

**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.*

## **MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL**

The Ministry and Personnel (M & P) Committee acts under the guidelines of *The Manual* of the United Church of Canada. The committee functions around three roles, which are the consultative and supportive role, the healthy relationships role and the supervisory role. We provide resources and support for the staff and the community of faith with respect to any issue affecting staff of our church including ministry personnel and lay employees. The committee works to build positive and trusting relationships between staff and members and adherents of the community of faith.

If members of the community of faith have praise or concerns about staff, both ministry personnel and lay employees, these can be shared in signed correspondence with the committee. The issues will be considered confidentially by the M & P Committee, who will recommend action.

Saint James United Church is blessed with staff who are committed to their work and we are thankful for this work in our community of Faith. Presently serving on the committee are:

Evelyn Clark, Eleanor Leonard, Carolyn Drake

**THE SEARCH COMMITTEE** is pleased to announce

Rev. Adekunle Benjamin Adeniyi (Rev. Ben)., originally ordained in The African Church in Nigeria, came to Canada in 2015, fulfilled the admission requirements of the United Church of Canada and was admitted to the Order of Ministry in 2018. The committee will be able to share more details regarding Rev. Ben and begin the preparations for his arrival which is scheduled for January 1, 2020.

## **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.*

## *Call to Worship*

**All who thirst, come to the water and drink deeply of these living streams. Come all who are weary, and all who yearn for forgiveness.**

**As the waters of the Jordan washed over Jesus, so the Holy Spirit washed over you and me.**

**Our gracious God beckons and blesses us.**

**Let us give praise for new life in Christ. Amen**

## *Welcome and Announcements*

## *Minute for Mission*

## *Opening Prayer*

**Wondrous God, you touch our lives with healing and with justice. New life is your gift. We praise you for the Good News which is ours through Jesus Christ.**

**May this time of worship together nourish us with your promise of meaning and purpose.**

**May we be empowered to carry your goodness into the coming week.**

**We pray in Jesus' name, our Source and Saviour. Amen.**

*Hymn VU # 225 We Praise You For the Sun*

## *Children's Time*

## *Prayer of Confession*

**O God, we ask for living water, but dip our buckets in old wells.**

**We offer dried crusts and stale water, while complaining no one will come to our banquet.**

**Forgive us O God for our stale words, stale prayers and stale dreams.**

**Forgive us O God, for turning up our noses at your water, cool and crisp, that brings new life. Amen**

*Words of Assurance*

*Hymn MV # 87 Water Flowing From the Mountains*

**WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD**

*Scriptures* Joel 2: 23 - 32  
Psalm 65  
2 Timothy : 4: 6 – 8, 16 – 18  
Luke 18: 9 - 14

*Anthem My Soul Is Thirsting For You*

*Message*

*Music for Meditation*

*Hymn VU # 267 Like A Mighty River Flowing*

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD**

*Invitation to the Offering*

*Offertory* VU 227 For the Fruit  
For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us,  
For the truths that still confound us,  
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

*Offertory prayer*

Loving God, as we come here today with our tithes and offerings we ask that you accept them and use them to feed the hungry, clothe the needy and help us to use these offerings for this community and beyond. Amen

*Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern  
and the Prayer That Jesus Taught*

*Closing Hymn VU # 635 All The Way My Savior Leads Me*

*Closing Prayer (together)*

Lord our God, accept the prayers of your people. In your great mercy, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help, for you are gracious, O lover of souls. To you we give glory, O blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen

*Choral Benediction VU 703 In the Bulb*

In our end is our beginning;  
In our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity,  
In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.

*Food For Thought*

*“Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts.”*  
– Mother Teresa

*Postlude*

*Lectionary Scriptures for November 3, 2019*

*Daniel 7: 1-3 15-18*

*Psalm 149*

*Ephesians 1: 11-23*

*Luke 6: 20-31*

## DATES TO NOTE

Nov 10	Remembrance Day Service Carleton Manor Service	10:30 a.m.
Nov. 16	U.C.W. Christmas Craft Sale	10:00 a.m.
Dec. 1	First Sunday of Advent--with Communion White Gift Service Ecumenical Service St. Gertrudes	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 8	Second Sunday of Advent Christmas Kirk Service	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 15	Third Sunday of Advent Cantata Community Cantata 7:30 p.m.	10:30 a.m.
Dec. 19	Blue Christmas	7:00 p.m.
Dec. 22	Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday School Concert Family Christmas Pot Luck	10:30 a.m.
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Service	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 1	Rev. Adekunle Benjamin Adeniyi	10:30 a.m.

## 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.

## DONATIONS

*A memorial donation has been made to the Building Fund in loving memory of Thelma MacNally by John and Kaye Curtis.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the Floor Project Fund in loving memory of Thelma MacNally by Faye Kenny, Lesley Johnson, Andrea Dimock,*

*A memorial donation has been made to the Youth Development Fund in loving memory of Thelma MacNally by Carole Montgomery.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the Kirk Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Thelma MacNally by Ann MacNally.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Thelma MacNally by Fran Grzesik.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Dr. David Wagener and Sheelah Wagener, parents of Sharon Wagener by John and Mary Wheelan.*

*A memorial donation has been made to the General Fund in loving memory of Richard Sharpe by Phyllis Robinson.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ST. GERTRUDE'S HARVEST SUPPER November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

"The annual St. Gertrude's Harvest Supper is November 4th from 3:00 to 7:00 Knights of Columbus Hall.

### COMMITTEES FOR 2020

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.

**UPPER ROOMS FOR**

November and December are at back of church. Cost \$ 3.00

**M & S SALE TABLE**

The M & S table has been set up outside the Boardroom for baked goods, Jams, Jellies, Pickles and Treasures.

Help yourself. A donation jar will be provided. Proceeds to Mission and Service. Items will change weekly depending on what is brought in.

**GRIEF SHARE** The Grief Recovery Support Group will be hosting a Grief Workshop with Leonard Cousins and Wanda Porter. Meetings are on Tuesdays, starting Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. at the Woodstock Baptist Church. **See notice on Bulletin. Board.**

**DIVORCE CARE at Woodstock Baptist Church**

Starting Wednesdays, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Hosted by Keith and Jane Bull

**C.E. CENTRE AND KITCHEN**

The Board of Stewards have decided to wait on the floor project in the C.E. Centre and Kitchen as we have not reached the goal of \$ 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 at a later date. We currently have \$ 3,370.00

**SNOWFLAKE CRAFT BAZAAR**

Debec Tuesday Quilters Saturday, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 a.m. – noon Trinity United Church Hall, Debec  
Raffle Quilt Tickets on Sale

No admission charge and light refreshments served.

**BROADVIEW** This is the magazine that replaced the Observer.

Those who have subscriptions, would you please let the office know if you would like to renew for 2020. Also anyone who would like to purchase a subscription.

**SPECIAL THANKS**

To all who helped organize the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert with Amy, performed and prepared refreshments. The proceeds, \$ 1,723.70 will be used towards the Sound System.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

*Our new unit in Whole People of God is Learning the Way.*

*This is a heavy topic for children made easier by the leadership of our Teachers.*

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| <b>October</b>  | <b>27</b> | <b>A Matter of Attitude.</b><br><b>This is Peace Sunday. Regular Classes</b>                     |
| <b>November</b> | <b>3</b>  | <b>Changing Perception</b><br><b>Learning to get to know a person.</b><br><b>Regular Classes</b> |
| <b>November</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>Sunshine Sunday</b><br><b>One Room Sunday School</b>  |
| <b>November</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>How Important are Dreams.???</b><br><b>A study of Nelson Mandela. Regular Classes</b>         |
| <b>November</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>Christmas Concert Practice</b> <b>Children go into Church, as usual.</b>                      |