

Saint James United Church

November 17, 2019 Twenty-third 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 #1 Let Us Build A House Verse 1

Call to Worship

One: As the day dawns anew,

Many: so do our lives.

As our community gathers,
so do our spirits.

As we are awakened to newness,
we are a holy people of a new heaven and earth.
And so it is! 1

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| November 17 | Morning Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| | Sunday School | |
| | Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the Board Room | |
| | Sunshine Singers and Handbells | |
| November 19 | WI Service | 10:00 a.m. |
| | Games | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers | 6:30 p.m. |
| | Committee Meetings | 7:00 p.m. |
| | Official Board | 8:00 p.m. |
| November 20 | Quilting | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Handbells | 6:30 p.m. |
| | Choir Practice | 7:00 p.m. |
| | Canata Practice | 7:45 p.m. |
| Nov. 22 – 23 | Festival of Trees | See Announcement |
| November 23 | Model Small Train Show | 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. |
| | in C.E. Centre | |
| November 24 | Morning Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| | Sunday School | |
| | Coffee, Tea and Fellowship in the Board Room | |
| | Sunshine Singers and Handbells | |
| November 25 | Fellowship Christmas Party | 6:00 p.m. |
| | Evelyn Clark's | |

REMINDER: NEXT FOOD BANK SUNDAY IS DEC. 1, 2019.

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.

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.*

- November 17 **How Important are Dreams.???**
A study of Nelson Mandela. Regular Classes
- November 24 **Christmas Concert Practice** Children go into
Church, as usual.

DATES TO NOTE

- Nov.30 UCW Christmas Craft Sale and Tea 10:00 a.m.
- Dec. 1 **First Sunday of Advent--with Communion** 10:30 a.m.
White Gift Service
Ecumenical Service St. Gertrudes 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 8 **Second Sunday of Advent** 10:30 a.m.
Christmas Kirk Service 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 15 **Third Sunday of Advent** Cantata 10:30 a.m.
Community Cantata 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 19 **Blue Christmas** 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 22 **Fourth Sunday of Advent** 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School Concert
Family Christmas Pot Luck
- Dec. 24 **Christmas Eve Service** 7:00 p.m.
- Jan. 5 **Rev. Adekunle Benjamin Adeniyi** 10:30 a.m.

Opening Prayer

God of the universe, we bring to you our wonder. God of answers, we bring to you our questions. God of steadfast love, we bring to you our uncertainty. In this time of worship, may we be open to receive what you have to offer us and find ourselves strengthened by your everlasting presence. Amen. 2

Hymn VU # 299 Teach Me God, to Wonder

Children's Time

Time of Soul Searching

One: Creator God, sometimes we struggle to see ourselves as creators made in your image.

Many: Sometimes we forget that you made us in love, and that you call us to love you in return. Sometimes we remember too clearly the pains and heartaches of the past.

One: Sometimes we cling to them and even re-create those painful times.

Many: Sometimes we ignore your promise for our future. Sometimes we forget to turn to you in prayer. We forget to call your name. Forgive us, gracious God. 2

-silence-

Words of Assurance

Hymn VU # 324 Jesus, Come to Our Hearts

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Scriptures

Isaiah 65: 17 - 25

Isaiah 12, Voices United p.880

Luke 21: 5 - 19

Anthem

Music for Meditation

Hymn VU # 676 God, Make Us Servants of our Peace

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

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

Closing Hymn VU 716 My Life Flows On

Benediction

Choral Benediction VU 713 I See A New Heaven

*I see a new heaven
I see a new earth
as the old one will pass away,
where the fountain of life flows
and without price goes
to all people who abide in the land.*

Postlude

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Lectionary Scriptures for November 24, 2019

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Luke 1: 68-69

Colossians 1: 11-20

Luke 23: 33-43

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 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.

DONATIONS

*A donation has been made in loving memory of Thelma MacNally
by the Unity Group of the U.C.W.*

*A donation has been made in loving memory of Harold Delong by
Jolene Caverhill*

*A donation has been made in loving memory of Ryan DeLong by
Jolene Caverhill.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. 17th @ 6:30 p.m. at the Woodstock Baptist Church. **See notice on Bulletin. Board.**

DIVORCE CARE at Woodstock Baptist Church

Starting Wednesday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Hosted by Keith and Jane Bull

FESTIVAL OF TREES 2019-11-12

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Carleton-York will be hosting our 22nd Annual Festival of Trees .

Experience the Christmas sights and sounds at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Carleton-York's 22nd Annual Festival of Trees. Stroll through Candy Cane Lane to view a lush forest of 20 designed holiday trees, live local entertainment, silent auction items of unique gifts and holiday creations, refreshments and a special visit from Santa on Saturday at 3pm.

Dates: Friday, November 22 (12pm-9pm)

Saturday, November 23 (11am-5pm)

NEW LOCATION: Best Western Plus Hotel, 123 Gallop Street, Woodstock. Admission: by Donation

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS KETTLE CAMPAIGN

The Salvation Army look after emergency help for our area residents – Power Bills, Rent, Medicine, etc. and their Annual Kettle Campaign Fund this outreach. 100% of the money collected stays in our area.

We are looking for someone who would coordinate Volunteers from our church to man the kettles for a few days. Please contact Mary, if you are interested in doing this.

FROM THE OFFICE. *Staff may be parked out back on Maple Street during the winter, if Green St. is not cleared from the sidewalks.*

BUDGET REQUESTS FOR 2020

*The Board of Stewards will be working on the budget for 2020 and committees are asked to **submit proposals by November 19, 2019.***

GET YOUR WALKING SHOES ON! *We need to help Rev. Ben and his family get to Woodstock from Happy Valley. It is 1,598.7 Kilometers. A sign up sheet is on the Bulletin Board to record your Kilometers each week as we did when we walked to Bethlehem. We only have two months to get them here. Let`s go!!*

COFFEE, CONVERSATION November 28th 10:00 -12:00 **& CARD MAKING -- Limited to Ten Participants**

Sign-Up Sheet on Bulletin Board

We are offering a morning of Card Making and Coffee. Leslie Johnson will be sharing her supplies and expertise to help us make cards for all occasions. Please bring a ruler and pencil. Plan to take home at least 3 cards per session. No cost and a great morning with friends.

U.C.W. CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND COFFEE PARTY

Saturday, November 30^h, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

Come and enjoy Coffee, Tea and Fellowship. Enjoy a morning of preparing for Christmas with the variety of gifts available—

Home baking, crafts and a table of treasures.

Admission \$ 2.00 Tickets from the ladies of the U.C.W., the Church Office., or at the door.

Anyone in the congregation who would like to donate cooking, crafts or attic treasures, it would be very much appreciated

ANGEL PROJECT Last year we decorated the hall outside the Church office with Angels in memory of loved ones. Please bring your Angel in if you did not leave it here last year and we will place them in memory with a place card naming your loved one. Anyone who would like to take part this year please bring the information and angel into the office.

GIFTS OF VISION 2020 Those who received a copy of the Broadview Magazine would have a copy of the Gifts of Vision. I have a copy in the office if you wish to look at it.

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.

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 \$ 4,554.00.

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.

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. Cost \$ 25.00.

UPPER ROOMS FOR November and December at the back of church. Cost \$ 3.00

CALENDARS The 2020 Church Calendars have arrived. Cost \$ 5.00.

A NOTE FROM M & P

Our staff work hard behind the scenes to ensure that things run smoothly in our church. We can all lend them a helping hand by making sure that when we use the Church for groups, meetings, etc. that we leave things the way we found them. In particular, it is important for insurance purposes that the fire doors are closed when we leave. Please check the green signs on the bulletin board for things we can do to help.

Presently serving on the committee are:

Evelyn Clark, Eleanor Leonard, Carolyn Drake

THE SEARCH COMMITTEE

We have had an informal confirmation from Regional Council (by email from Kendall Harrison) that our Call for Rev. Adekunle Benjamin Adeniyi (Rev. Ben) will be approved.

WOODSTOCK N.B. MODEL TRAIN SHOW

Saturday, November 23 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Operating model trains in HO and N scale.

Admission \$5.00 Family \$15.00, under 12 free.

St. James United Church CE Hall

MEMORIAL SERVICE at St Gertrude's Church

The St Gertrude's Bereavement Ministry invites you to attend the upcoming Memorial Service to be held at St Gertrude's Church, November 18th at 2:00 p.m. If you have a loved one that you would like to have remembered in this service, please contact Sharon Tenhave at shtenhave@hotmail.com or 375-6800.

The Memorial Service consists of Music, Prayer, Scripture, Reflection, and reading of the names of the deceased and lighting a candle to remember the loved one(s). We invite you to bring a photo or memento of your loved one and place next to the candle on the Memorial Table. Immediately after the Service, light refreshments will be served in the Vestry.