

March 25, 2012

11:00 a.m.

Lent Week 5

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Minister:	Rev. Bill Bartlett
Minister of Visitation/MUN Chaplain:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
C.E. Lay Minister:	Susan Sheppard
Organist/Choir Director:	Philip Roberts
Assistant Organist:	Allan Morgan
Scripture Reader:	Jordan Goodwin

Today's Service was prepared by and led by the St. James Youth Groups

**Welcome:**

**Introit:**

**Call To Worship: (Responsive)**

**Leah Vardy**

L: God be in my head  
**P: and in my understanding**  
L: God be in my eyes  
**P: and in my looking**  
L: God in my mouth  
**P: and in my speaking**  
L: God be in my heart  
**P: and in my thinking**  
L: God be at my end  
**P: and at my departing**



**Prayer Of Approach: (Unison)**

**Ben King**

How do we become what we believe? Is there congruence in our faith and action? What do we need to have change in our hearts so we can find integrity within ourselves as individuals and as a community? What do we need to let die, let fall to earth so God can bring to us new life and new possibilities? We proclaim that children are important to us but get upset when children are noisy, restless, and don't sit still. Or we assert that we are open to new people but complain that "We've always done it this way." What is God saying that will help us "walk the walk" and not merely "talk the talk"? God allow us to embrace your presence in our lives every day in every way we possibly can. Amen.

**Holy Week Services**

**7:30 pm - April 2 - 6**

Monday	Wesley United Church
Tuesday	St. James United Church
Wednesday	First Street United (Choir Cantata)
Thursday	Gower Street United (Communion)

**Good Friday – George Street United Church**

**3 hour Service - 12 noon – 3:00**

Readers are yet to be announced.

**Annual Good Friday Walk – (rain or shine) – 10:00 a.m.**

Join us as we journey through the Passion Story, with readings, meditations and singing as we walk in our neighborhood. Hot cross buns and hot drinks will be served back at the church following the walk.

**Good Friday Worship Service – 7:30 p.m.**

**Easter Sunday Worship**

**8:30 a.m.** Holy Communion Service

Following the service our youth participating in the Go Project hosted here at St. James this summer will be serving a boiled egg breakfast. There will be no cost but any donations collected will be gratefully accepted and will go towards the cost of hosting the Go Project.

**11:00 a.m.** Service of Celebration

My soul longs to colour outside the lines,  
tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine;  
I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before,  
throw open doors to worlds outside the lines.

**Commissioning: (Responsive) Hannah Sheppard**

- L: We will go out with gratitude and hope.
- P: **Christ is our companion.**
- L: We will go out with purpose as God's children.
- P: **Christ is our companion.**
- L: We will go out with a sense of wonder.
- P: **Christ is our companion.**
- L: We will go out with hearts warmed, love renewed,  
God with us and within us.
- P: **Christ is our companion.**
- L: This day, this night, and forevermore. Amen.

**Organ Postlude:**



- Head Usher:** Jean Thompson
- Greeters:** Stephen and Susan Pike
- Ushers:** Tom Rose, Gloria Le Fleuvre,  
Geraldine Matthews, Oliver Wellon,  
Mary Daya, Donna Downey, Cec  
Templeman

**Hymn: Spirit Open My Heart MV79**

- 1. Spirit, open my heart  
to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love,  
in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.
- 2. God replace my stony heart  
with a heart that's kind and  
tender.  
All my coldness and fear  
to your grace I now surrender.  
Spirit, open my heart.
- 3. Write your love upon my heart  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed,  
may my living bring you glory.  
Spirit, open my heart.
- 4. May I weep with those who  
weep,  
share the joy of sister, brother.  
In the welcome of Christ,  
may we welcome one another.  
Spirit, open my heart.
- 5. Spirit, open my heart  
to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love,  
in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit, open my heart.

**Time with the children:**

**Hymn: We Want To See Jesus Lifted High**

We want to see Jesus lifted high,  
A banner that flies across this land,  
That all men might see the truth and know  
He is the way to heaven. (2)

We want to see, we want to see,  
We want to see Jesus lifted high.  
We want to see, we want to see,  
We want to see Jesus lifted high.

Step by step we're moving forward,  
Little by little taking ground.  
Every prayer a powerful weapon,  
strongholds come tumbling down, and down, and down, and down.

We want to see Jesus lifted high,  
A banner that flies across this land,  
That all men might see the truth and know  
He is the way to heaven.

We're gonna to see, we're gonna to see,  
We're gonna to see Jesus lifted high.  
We're gonna to see, we're gonna to see,  
We're gonna to see Jesus lifted high.

**Offertory Invitation:**

**Reid Crowther**

Thanks beyond measure, God of the church, for a faith community of praise and prayer, of song and learning. For a community of mutual support, a community concerned for those without food or work or shelter, a faith community here at St. James and in the wider church community of St. John's, and through the mission and service fund that brings healing and hope in other parts of Canada and throughout the world. So we offer all we have, all we are, and everything you have given us, back to you. It is yours, we are yours.

**Offering:**

*"Wings"*

**Leah and Katie Vardy**

**Offertory Hymn:**

**Offertory Prayer: (unison)**

**Katie Vardy**

Accept, O God, this money we bring. Bless the ways in which we make it, bless the ways in which we use it, and bless this part which we give back to you that, with it, we may give you our lives, body and soul, to work for you, here on earth.

**Life and Work at St. James:**

**Hebrew Scripture:** Jeremiah 31: 31-34

**Psalm:** Psalm 119: 9-16 838-839

**Anthem:** "The Way"

**Gospel:** John 12: 20-33

**Hymn:** I, The Lord of Sea and Sky 509

**Meditation:** **Rebecca Pike**

**Pastoral Prayer:** **Olivia Sharpe**

**Hymn:** My Love Colors Outside The Lines MV138

My love colours outside the lines,  
exploring paths that few could ever find;  
and takes me into places where I've never been before,  
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines

My Lord colours outside the lines,  
turns wounds to blessings, water into wine;  
and takes me into places where I've never been before  
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

We'll never walk on water if we're not prepared to drown,  
body and soul need a soaking from time to time.  
And we'll never move the gravestones if we're not prepared to die,  
and realize there are worlds outside the lines.

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