

ORGANIZATIONS & YOUTH GROUPS

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chair	Clyde Flight	Last Tues.	7:30 p.m.
Vice Chair	Trevor Bartlett		
Admin/Communications	Jan Winsor		
Council Secretary	Gloria Le Feuvre		
Board of Trustees	Cecil Templeman	At call of Chair	
Worship & Sacraments	Trevor Bartlett	Last Sun. following	Worship
Faith Formation & Christian Education	Douglas Matthews	1 st Monday	
Property	Bill Legge	4 th Monday	
Finance	Brian Ramjattan		
Treasurer	Jean Thompson		
Stewardship	Vacant		
Ministry & Personnel	Jim Von Riesen		

ORGANIZATIONS

Men's Service Club	Les Dean	3 rd Wednesday	5:30 p.m.
UCW Co-Presidents	Vera Marshall & Jean White	2 nd Monday	7:30 p.m.
UCW Friendship Group	Winona Kelsey	Barbara Butt	2 & 4 th Wed
Observer Rep	Ruth Baker		
Archives	Al Penney		
Library	Vacant		
AOTS Choir	Doreen Brown		

MUSIC:

Children's Choir	Saturday	10:00 a.m.
Youth Choir	Wednesday	6:45 p.m.
Senior Choir	Thursday	7:30 p.m.
St. James Band		
Sight Restored		
UCW Choir	1 st Monday	7:30 p.m.
AOTS Choir	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday	8:00 p.m.

YOUTH GROUPS

Sunday S / Nursery	Rebecca Pike	Sunday	11:00 a.m.
Drama Club	Vacant	Saturday	10:00 a.m.
Ready (11-13) Set (14+)	Rebecca Pike & Donna McPherson	Alternate Saturdays	7:30 p.m.
GO Youth			
Chief Usher	Dave Hapgood		

Help Us To Help You

<input type="checkbox"/> Sickness	<input type="checkbox"/> Call from Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor
<input type="checkbox"/> Envelopes	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address

Name: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Postal Code: _____ Telephone: _____

St. James United Church

330 Elizabeth Avenue
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September 16, 2012

A Community of Friends in Faith



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WE HAVE SCENT-SENSITIVE CONCERNS

St. James United Church

September 16, 2012

11:00 a.m.

Minister:	Rev. Bill Bartlett
Minister of Visitation:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
C.E. Lay Minister:	Susan Sheppard
Organist/Choir Director:	Dr. Philip Roberts
Scripture Reader:	Linda Babstock

Organ Prelude:

Welcome:

Introit:

Call To Worship: (responsive)

L: As we gather this day, there are those among us who are suffering.

P: We will pray to God for them.

L: As we gather this day, there are those among us who are filled with joy.

P: We will sing songs of praise to God with them.

L: As we gather this day, there are those among us who are sick.

P: We will also pray to God for them.

L: As we gather this day, there are those among us who have sinned.

P: We will offer our confessions to God, seeking forgiveness for all of us.

L: Together we will pray and praise.

P: Together we will worship God this day.

Prayer of Approach: (unison)

However desperate we feel, however grim the challenges, your Spirit, O God, buoys us up. The tide of your grace surges among us. You are Lord of our life, constant in compassion, full of surprises. Refresh us, restore us, renew our commitment to you and to the Way of Jesus, through whom we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Wellspring of Wisdom 287

Together in Life and Ministry

The United Church celebrates diversity in the church and in the community. Your gift to Mission and Service supports programs and partners that honour the strengths, assets, and riches of the community.

The Jane Finch Community Ministry is in the public housing community of Firgrove, serving the Jane Finch neighbourhood in Toronto. Despite issues of poverty, the community is blessed with the culture and diversity of 110 nationalities in which 70 languages and dialects are spoken.

Here's one example of how this ministry recognizes and responds to the area's diversity. When a young man was stabbed to death in Firgrove, it sent shock waves through the community. With resident leaders and other organizations, the ministry held two talking circles to bring healing. A First Nations youth from Firgrove smudged the circle to facilitate the grieving process and to help others learn from this tragedy.

Jane Finch Community Ministry works in partnership with several networks, providing food days, income tax advice, a learning centre, school supplies, scholarships, and microcredit loans.

Funding from Mission and Service contributes to the minister's salary, administration, and program budgets. With Mission and Service support, Jane Finch Community Ministry honours the diversity of the neighbourhood and stands in solidarity with its constituents.

Please make a generous gift to Mission and Service to help programs like Jane Finch Community Ministry.

Time With The Children:

Hymn: Jesus, Friend of Little Children 340

Offertory Invitation:

Offertory:

Offertory Hymn: In Gratitude and Humble Trust 544

Offertory Prayer: (responsive)

L: Our offering given in gratitude:

P: **money, time, enthusiasm, support, abilities**

L: offered to you, O God,

P: **in the compassionate spirit of Jesus.**

L: God will bless our offering.

P: **Amen.**

Life and Work at St. James:

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

God, we depend on your mercy for we often get life wrong. We obsess about trivial things and miss what is really important. We see ourselves as the centre of the universe and forget that Christ told us to leave self behind. We want to be spiritual people, but only in the context of material comfort. We would like to take care of planet Earth, our home, but only when the economy is strong. We would like to share generously, but only when we have more than enough for ourselves. God, we depend on your mercy, shown to us in Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Hebrew Scripture: Proverbs 1: 20-33

Wisdom cries in the streets.

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 19 740-741

The heavens declare the glory of God.

Epistle: James 3: 1-12
Not many of you should be teachers of God's word.

Anthem:

Gospel: Mark 8: 27-38
Who do people say that I am?

Hymn: O Lord My God 238

Sermon:

Pastoral Prayer:

The Lord's Prayer:

Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 149

Commissioning: (unison)

God go with us on our journey of faith – Revive us when we grow weary, direct us when we go astray, inspire us when we lose heart, reprove us when we turn back. Keep us travelling ever-onwards; a pilgrim people, looking to Jesus Christ who has run the race before us, and who waits to welcome us home.

Benediction:

Organ Postlude

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