

# St. James United Church

June 22nd , 2014

Second after Pentecost/Aboriginal Sunday

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry  
Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald  
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM  
Organist: Maxine Rose

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**Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.  
Please turn off your cell phone during the Service.**

## Musical Prelude

## Welcome and Life and Work of St. James

### Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: Jesus, stand among us in your risen power;

**All: let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.**

One: Breathe the Holy Spirit into every heart;

**All: bid the fears and sorrows from each soul depart.**

### Opening Prayer: (together)

Loving God, Creator of us all, we come seeking Your refreshing presence in the midst of this season of summer. Like cool water or a gentle breeze, You renew us and enliven us to be Your faithful community. Draw our hearts together as we come here today to worship You. Teach us Your will to do, Your word to speak, Your song to sing, and Your love to share. We pray in the strong name of Jesus, our Redeemer and Friend. Amen.

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 1:** Introduction

**Hymn:** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* 211

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 2:** It's All Greek to Me

**Scripture:** John 20: 19-29

**Time with the Children:** All My Relations – Akwe Nia'Tetewá:neren

**Hymn:** *Draw the Circle Wide* MV 145

## Invitation to the Offering

**Offering and Offertory Hymn:** *Spirit of Life* 381

### Offertory Prayer: (together)

Gracious God, we give of our time, our talent and our financial resources to help in the transformation of the world to a place that is more pleasing in God's sight- a place overflowing with stories of new life and hope as people face the challenges that lie before them. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 3:** God's Truth

**Scripture:** Matthew 3: 1, 5, 13-17

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 4:** A Dove Descending

**Hymn:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* 333

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 5:** On Fire!

**Scripture:** Exodus 3: 1-6

## THE RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

**Hymn:** *The Church's One Foundation* 331

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 6:** The Beginning and the End

**Scripture:** Revelation 21: 5-7

**Solo:** Brenda Nyatanga

## Prayers of the People

**The United Church of Canada Crest, Part 7:** Fishing for a Different Catch

**Scripture:** Luke 5: 1-11

**Hymn:** *Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* 563

Hymn: *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

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**Blessing & Sending Forth**

**Ushering this week is provided by:**

**Usher in Charge:** Michelle Skinner

**Greeters:** Michelle & Wayne Skinner

**Ushers:** Gordon & Marilyn Adams, Vanessa & Liam Nichols



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**Summer Prayer**, from *The Prayer Tree* by Leunig

Dear God,

We rejoice and give thanks

for earthworms, bees, ladybirds and broody hens;

for humans tending their gardens, talking to animals, cleaning their homes  
and singing to themselves;

for the rising of the sun, the fragrance of growth, the invention of the  
wheelbarrow and the existence of the teapot,

we give thanks.

We celebrate and give thanks.

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