

Words of Mission

One: Our time of celebration in this place is now coming to an end.

All: For it is merely a resting place, a place of transit, where we, together with Creativity God, can pause before taking to the road again.

Blessing Words

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Trevor Bartlett

Ushers: Bruce Hunt, Linda Babstock, Baxter Howse, Jim Inder, Oliver Wellon

St. James United Church Life and Works, August 24th, 2014

Summer Worship Time Change to 10 am continues until August 31st.

Office hours August 25-27: 8.30 am – noon

August 28: 9.30-1 and 1.30-5.

Normal service time will resume on September 2nd.

Sunday School and Youth Programs: A volunteer information session is scheduled for Monday, August 25 at 7 pm for Sunday School, Youth Program and church band. Contact Susan or Rebecca for more information.

Bridges To Hope Bag To School program: St. James has been assigned 'binders' to contribute to this program. Please place your contribution in the food bank chest in the Sanctuary vestibule or bring to the church office.

Leary's Brook Girls Basket Ball Team Afternoon Tea - Bake Sale - Flea Market, August 24 at 12 :30 pm, Memorial United Church, Portugal Cove.

Special Presentations by Martin Middlebrook at The Rooms:

Up the Line and Back Again (No Ticket Required – included in admission)

Tuesday, August 26, 2 pm (theatre doors to open at 1:45 pm)

The Somme, 1916 (Ticket Required - \$10)

Wednesday, August 27, 7 pm (theatre doors to open at 6:45 pm)

Palestinian Film Documentary at Gower Street United Church

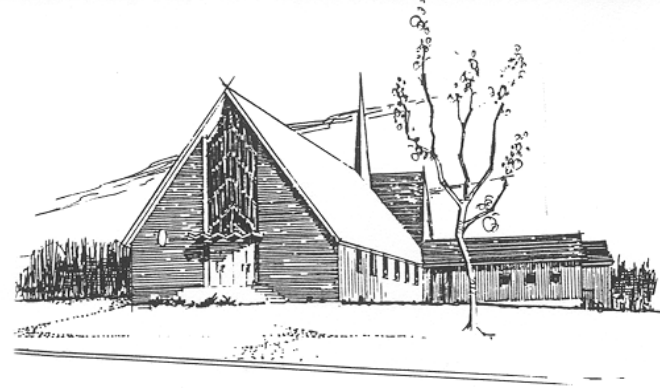
Friday, August 29, 7 pm. **BUDRUS:** A Palestinian community member organizes an unarmed movement to save his village. Admission is free.

St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith

330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9

August 24th, 2014



Mission Statement

The Church is a fellowship of believers who have responded to God's call through Jesus Christ. As members of a Christian community initiated by Christ to proclaim God's love for the whole creation, we are called:

- (1) to believe in God and God's love made visible in Jesus Christ;
- (2) to participate in a spiritual journey, intentionally proclaiming, celebrating and deepening spiritual consciousness;
- (3) to be good stewards of all that we possess and to care for the Earth which is God's creation;
- (4) to develop meaningful and caring relationships with others as well as with God;
- (5) to empower individuals and groups, in response to the call of Christ, to increase their awareness of the oppressive forces around them, and with God's help, to seek justice for all people.

Administration/Office:

Church Email:

Church Web Site:

Facebook:

Twitter:

Emergency Pager:

NL Conference:

U.C. of Canada:

722-1881

info@stjamesuc.org

www.stjamesuc.org

St. James United Church

StJamesUnited

727-4067

www.newlabconf.com

www.united-church.ca



St. James United Church

August 24th, 2014
Eleventh after Pentecost

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry
Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
Organist: Mian Chen
Soloist: Glenda Winsor

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

Lighting of the Candle

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: In the name of Creativity God

All: who shapes us in the divine image and delights in the diversity of creation...

One: In the name of Liberator God

All: who breaks the bonds of oppression...

One: In the name of Love-maker God

All: who rejoices in true love wherever it is found,

One: We are welcome in this place.

Opening Prayer: (together)

God of surprises, startle us with truth we do not see, amaze us with your power and grace, beckon us, and lead us far above restricted hope and narrow faith. Amen.

Hymn: *Here I am Lord* 509

Time with Children

Hymn: *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry* 644

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Solo: *Still, My Soul, Be Still*

Offertory Hymn: *Spirit of Life* 381

Offertory Prayer: (together)

We give thanks for all we have and for all we are. Let us accept the privilege of responding to the generosity of these gifts with lives lived for others. Amen.

Silence

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Scripture: Exodus 1:8-2:10
The baby Moses is adopted by Pharaoh's daughter

Solo: *Beautiful Saviour*

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20
"Who do you say that I am?" asks Jesus

Hymn: *Bring Many Names* 268

Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

The 'Abba' Prayer: *You are invited to pray in the spirit of the Lord's Prayer*

O God, you love us like a good parent,
and are present in every aspect of our existence
May your nature become known and respected by all
May your joy, peace, wholeness and justice
be the reality for everyone
as we live by the Jesus Way
Give us all that we really need to live every day for you
And forgive us our failures as we forgive others for their failures
Keep us from doing those things which are not of you,
and cause us always to be centred on your love
For you are the true reality in this our now,
and in all our future.
In the Jesus Way we pray. Amen.