## Today's bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

## Eric Parsons,

from Louise & Tom Harris.

## St. James United Church

January 18, 2015, Second Sunday after Epiphany

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry

Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald

Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM

Choir: Senior

Choir Director & Organist: Sophia WerdenAbrams

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: In a difficult time, God called to Samuel. **All:** God called Samuel to speak the truth in love.

One: In a tumultuous time, Jesus called the disciples.

All: Jesus called them to help Him proclaim the Good News.

One: God calls us.

All: May we answer that call with a "Yes, here I am!"

**Opening Prayer:** (together)

I come to worship, God. I come opening my life to this visitation of Yoursand already You surround me. I come permitting my vulnerability- and You, my Creator, chuckle. I am unclenching the long, steady grip I have held my life with only to know You are holding me. I am readying myself to be made a vessel, and already I contain grace and love enough to live well and love those You are bringing to me. I come to worship, and in those moments when I am not dragging You along with me, You are already leading me! Amen.

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

Celebrating Relationships: The Circle Song, Passing of the Peace & Children's Time

**Hymn:** All Who Are Thirsty MV4

Minute for Mission & Invitation to the Offering

Offering

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

**Offertory Prayer:** (together)

Though we do not bear gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, we offer ourselves and what we have. We remember our baptismal vows, to worship and serve the living Christ and become Your voice of love in the world. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

1 Samuel 3: 1-20 Responsive Psalm 139

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Choral Anthem: Lovely Star in the Sky

John 1: 43-51

**Hymn:** I Am the Light of the World 87

**Sermon & Prayers of the People** 

**Closing Hymn:** I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say 626

**Blessing & Sending Forth** 

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Eric King

**Greeters:** Ross & Betty Pilgrim

**Ushers:** Les & Grace Dean, Kevin & Marilyn Pardy

