

# St. James United Church

February 15, 2015: Transfiguration Sunday

The Year of Hospitality

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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



**Introit:** *Come, Let Us Sing* Choir

### Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: The mountain is quiet.

All: Four friends gather.

One: Suddenly Jesus is transformed.

All: Voices and images surround the mountain; the friends of Jesus are filled with awe.

One: Then Jesus returns to His friends, comforting them.

All: And the mountain is quiet.

**Opening Prayer:** (together) We bless You and thank You for the gift of faith. In some of us it is strong, like an ancient tree, rooted deeply and rising proudly. In others of us, it is fragile, like a flower, tossed in the wind, bowed by storms. In each of us faith is Your gift, not our own achievement, not something about which we can boast. It is Your gift, one that we have been given in order to share it with others. Thank You for this mystery of faith in our lives. Amen.

**Hymn:** *All Creatures of Our God and King* 217

**Liturgical Dance:** *Your Song (Sir Elton John)*

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

**Hymn:** *Come, Let Us Sing* 222

## Invitation to the Offering

**Offertory:** *Seek Ye First the Kingdom* Choir

**Offertory Hymn:** *Doxology* 541

**Offertory Prayer:** You take us to the holy place, O God. There, Your inspired presence lifts us up and gives us new life. You bring us down to earth, O God. Through Your eyes we see what needs to be done and find the strength to begin. Bless these our gifts, God, through which the ordinary shines with holiness. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Kings 2: 1-12

Responsive Psalm 50 775

**Anthem :** *Shine, Jesus, Shine* Choir

**Scripture :** Mark 9 : 2-9

**Hymn:** *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* 104

## Sermon & Prayers of the People

**Hymn:** *For All the Saints* 705

## Blessing & Sending Forth

## Postlude

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