

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of  
**Joanne Hapgood, R.N., B.N.,**  
remembering her on her birthday, March 3,  
from mom, dad and the family.

## St. James United Church

March 1, 2015: Lent 2: The Year of Hospitality

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry  
Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald  
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM  
Choir: Senior  
Music Director: Amy Dalziel

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### Musical Prelude

### Welcome and Life and Work of St. James



### Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: God's call to Abraham and Sarah is also a call to us.  
All: Slow down and listen - this call may be heard, or felt, or seen.  
One: Be open to the Spirit in this Lenten season.  
All: Let us all wait attentively for the movement of the spirit around us.

**.Opening Prayer:** (together) Holy and gracious God, we've set out on a journey, and we don't know where we are going. But we've set out anyway into the wilderness, the desert spaces. May we find You in unexpected places, in the gaze of fellow pilgrims, beneath upturned stones, among the roots of desert plants, and in the inner light we never knew was there. Amen.

**Hymn:** *To Abraham and Sarah* 634

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

**Hymn:** *I Have Called You by Your Name* MV161

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offering

**Offertory Hymn:** *Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery* 121a 2nd  
*In our call to be a blessing, may we be a blessing true;  
May we live and die confessing Christ as Lord of all we do,  
Christ as Lord of all we do.*

**Offertory Prayer:** (together) God, You gave us the gift of the law. Then You gave us the gift of Your son. We offer our thanks, through the sharing of these gifts, that they may witness to the world our faith in Your Kingdom to come. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16  
Responsive Psalm 22, Part One 744

### Anthem

**Scripture :** Mark 8 : 31-38

**Hymn:** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* 120

### Sermon & Prayers of the People

**Hymn:** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* 288

### Blessing & Sending Forth

### Postlude

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### Ushering this week is provided by:

**Usher in Charge:** Jean Thompson  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Katelyn Mayo, Emily Nolan,  
Dylan Matthews, Stephen & Susan Pike

