

St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith
330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9
October 18, 2015, The Year of Hospitality



Called to Be the Church

Living Our Mission Locally

... When was it we saw you
hungry or thirsty or a stranger...?
Matthew 25: 44



Through worship, learning and service
our United Church communities of faith
live our mission locally

Looking ahead –

What is our mission beyond our community?
It's called Mission & Service.

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.This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

Winnie Parsons,
from Louise, Tom and family.

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October 18, 2015
Living Our Mission Locally/World Food Sunday

Minister:	Rev. Terrie Jackson
Minister of Visitation:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Music Directors:	Sophia Werden Abrams
Choir:	AOTS
Choir Director:	Doreen Brown

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Musical Prelude

Welcome and Life and Work of St. James



Introit: *God, Reveal Your Presence*

Choir

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: Wherever two or three are gathered in the name of Christ—

All: Christ is present in that place.

One: Wherever we seek God's face in the face of a stranger—

All: Christ is present in that place.

One: Wherever God's people work to bring peace and justice and reconciliation -

All: Christ is present in that place.

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All: Let us worship the God who meets us.

Opening Prayer: (together) Creator God, we feel You near us. Risen Christ, You come to meet us. Holy Spirit, You journey with us and direct us. Your companionship is a gift. Your grace is unending. Open our hearts, transform our minds, give peace to our spirits this day, that we might be light for this world and ministers of grace in our contexts. Amen.

Hymn: *We Have This Ministry* 510

Children's Time, Circle Song & Passing of the Peace

Hymn: *The Church of Christ in Every Age* 601

Minute for Mission & Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *In the Sweet By and By* Choir

Offertory Hymn: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God, v1* 382

Offertory Prayer: (together) Our hearts that beat, our hands that share, our love that lives within each prayer, receive and bless, O God. And on these plates lie just a few gifts given to us, now given to You, receive and bless, O God!

Scripture Readings

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 29: 4-14

Musical Offering

Anthem: *Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord* Choir

Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

Hymn: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* 602

Meditation

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

Closing Hymn: *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* 481

Blessing & Sending Forth

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Kim Mayo

Greeters: Gerry and Katelyn Mayo,

Ushers: Jean Thompson, Jennifer Tremblett
Jim Inder, Kim Mayo, Laun Shoemaker,



That All May Be One

A prayer for the church inspired by John 17:21 and based on The United Church of Canada's "A New Creed" and the United Church of Christ's "Statement of Faith (in the Form of a Doxology)." Congregations are invited to share in this prayer on Sunday, October 18, 2015, in celebration of the full communion of these two denominations.

Uniting God,

You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship:

to celebrate Your presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to be Your servants in the service of others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

Send Your Holy Spirit to bind us in full communion

so that we may be a uniting church

embodying Your love for the world.

As one, we proclaim:

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

You are with us,

we are not alone,

all glory and power be unto You.

Amen.