

St. James United Church

January 17, 2016/Epiphany II
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Minister: Rev. Terrie Jackson
Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
Choir: Senior
Music Directors: Amy Dalziel
Sophia Werden Abrams

Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.
Please turn off your cell phone during the Service.

Musical Prelude: *Sing Your Joy* Choir, 253

Welcome & Life & Work of St. James



Passing the Peace of Christ:

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

(You are invited to share in signs of peace with your neighbours.)

Call to Worship (responsive)

One: All is ready: the couple, the guests, the food, and the wine. The wedding can begin.

All: We have gathered to celebrate and give thanks.

One: The gifts are here – each one given in the Spirit's name.

All: We have gathered to celebrate and give thanks.

One: Be we young or old, we are the beloved of God.

All: We have gathered to celebrate and give thanks.

One: We are here, all of us, in the name of God, in the name of Jesus, and in the name of the Spirit.

All: Let us worship and give thanks.

Opening Prayer: (together) God, be with us, in our being and in our doing; in our praying and in our singing; in our silence and in our noise. God, speak through us in our words and in our actions. God, be with us, in this time together and in all the days to come. Amen.

Hymn: *Arise, Your Light Is Come* 79

The Circle Song & Children's Time

Hymn: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* 262

Minute for Mission & Invitation to the Offering

Offering: *My Love Colours Outside the Lines* Choir, MV138

Offertory Hymn: *Spirit, Open My Heart (chorus)* MV79

Offertory Prayer (together) Here, O God, are the concrete signs of our discipleship. May You bless us in our giving, in our response to Your Spirit's insistent call, in our reaching out through Christ's heart to the world. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 62: 1-5

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 36 762

Anthem: *I Lift up Mine Eyes* Spencer Hartman on flute
Julia Millett on oboe

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

Hymn: *My Love Colours Outside the Lines* MV138

Sermon

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

Closing Hymn: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* 333

Blessing & Sending Forth

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Susan Pike **Greeters:** Bradley Moss, James Moss

Ushers: Susan & Stephen Pike, Jennifer Tremblett, Suzette Moss,
Rachel Moss, Julianne Moss, James Moss

