

This bulletin is dedicated:  
**Remembering Bethany Danielle Pike**  
January 8, 1988 – May 27, 2008  
Love Stephen, Susan and Rebecca.

## St. James United Church

May 29, 2016/Pentecost II

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### Musical Prelude



### Passing the Peace of Christ:

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you all!

**All: And also with you!**

*You are invited to share in the peace of Christ with your neighbours.*

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

#### Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: On that morning we call Easter, in that moment, full of mystery, when the hand of God, unnoticed, turned the flow of human history -

**All: God's Beloved arose.**

One: On this morning, as we gather, called to worship by the Spirit, in the name of God the Father and Mother, Holy One of Israel -

**All: God's Beloved is here.**

One: For all times and for all places, leading us to God's new order, full of blessings, full of graces, so that we might serve God's mission -

**All: God's Beloved goes forth.**

**Opening Prayer:** (together) Jesus, we know that You are always here, but open our hearts to Your presence as we worship with You now. May we know very deeply that You are with us now, as You were with Your people on that first Pentecost morning. Amen.

**Hymn:** *Let Us Build a House* MV1

### Children's Time & the Circle Song – Sunday School Closing

**Hymn:** *In the Bulb There is a Flower* 703

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offering

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

**Offertory Prayer** (together) We trust, loving God, that Your Spirit will come down upon these offerings and will set them alight like tinder, that through them, faith in You will glow ever more brightly in Your people, and that others will see our passion and will be drawn to the warmth of Your love. Amen.

### Scripture Readings

**Old Testament:** 1 Kings 18: 20-39

**Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 96 816

**Anthem:** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Choir

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 7: 1-10

**Hymn:** *As the Deer*

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after You,  
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship You.

*You alone are my strength my shield, to You alone may my Spirit yield,  
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship You.*

I want You more than gold or silver, only You can satisfy,  
You alone are the real joy-giver and the apple of my eye.

You're my friend and You are my brother, even though You are a king,  
I love You more than any other, so much more than anything.

### Sermon and Prayers of the People

**Closing Hymn:** *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven* 240

## Blessing and Sending Forth

### Musical Postlude

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**Ushering this week is provided by:**

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### Spring Prayer:

Dear God,

We rejoice and give thanks

For earthworms, bees, ladybirds and broody hens;

For humans tending their gardens, talking to animals, cleaning their homes and singing to themselves;

For the rising of the sap, the fragrance of growth, the invention of the wheelbarrow and the existence of the teapot,

We give thanks,

We celebrate and give thanks.

*From The Prayer Tree, by Leunig, Collins Dove 1991.*

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