

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Clyde Taylor
from wife Helen,
sons Brian, Glen, Paul & Shelley, Graham & Riza,
grandchildren Alicia, Alex, Sarah, Amy, Chynna.

St. James United Church

February 12/Seventh after Epiphany

Minister: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
Acting Minister of Visitation: Rev. Ettie Gordon-Murray
Music: Sight Restored
Drumming Circle, Stella's Circle
Choir: Inclusion Choir, Stella's Circle
Choir Director: Helen Murphy

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

Lighting of the Community Candle

Passing the Peace

You are invited to share the peace with your neighbours.

Gathering Words

Opening Prayer: (together) Bless O Great Spirit, our worship this day, that it may fill our hearts with the gladness of life and our relationship with one another. Let us receive from it increased strength and guidance for our life and work in this world. So shall the joy of music and song this day spread over all our days. Amen.

Song: *I Can See Clearly Now*

*I can see clearly now, the rain is gone,
I can see all obstacles in my way.
Gone are the dark clouds that had me blind,
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.*



*I think I can make it now, the pain is gone.
All of the bad feelings have disappeared.
Here is the rainbow I've been praying for;
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.*

*Look all around, there's nothin' but blue skies.
Look straight ahead, nothin' but blue skies.*

*I can see clearly now, the rain is gone,
I can see all obstacles in my way.
Here is the rainbow I've been prayin' for;
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.
It's gonna be a bright, bright Sun-shiny day.*

Children's Time

Song: *This Little Light of Mine*

Verses 1 and 5: This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine!

Verse 2: Hide it under a bushel; NO! I'm gonna let it shine!

Verse 3: Don't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine!

Verse 4: Take my little light round the world, I'm gonna let it shine!

Inclusion Choir: About Inclusion
Imagine
If I Had a Grant

Rob McLennan

Minute for Mission

Offertory Invitation

Offering

Offertory Hymn: *Spirit, Open My Heart, chorus*
Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As You love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

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Offertory Dedication: (together) Accept O God, the work of our hands and our hearts. Bless the ways in which we use them, and bless this part which we give back to You, that, with it, we may give You our lives, body and soul, to work for You, here on earth. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3: 12-17

Song: *I Have a Dream* (Abba) Sight Restored

Hymn: *Amazing Grace* 266

The Spirituality of Singing

Inclusion Choir: Sharing a Story Ecke Zuschlag
Fix You
Home

Prayer for Hope Krista Cave

Hymn: *I've Got Peace like a River* 577

Blessing: As we go out into the world:
May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths and superficial relationships, so that you will live deep within your heart;
May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that you will work for justice, equity and peace;
May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that you will reach out your hand to comfort them and change their pain to joy;
May God bless you with a song on your lips and in your heart, that your voice in song may change lives. And may God bless you with the foolishness to think that you can make a difference in the world, so that you will do the things which others tell you cannot be done.

Closing Hymn: *We Are Marching* 646

Musical Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:
Usher in Charge: Trevor Bartlett
Greeters & Ushers: Janet Bartlett, Allison Bartlett, Nancy Paul, Anthony Paul