

St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith
330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9
November 19, 2017: Anniversary Sunday



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Remembering, by the family, the life, faith and vision of our
parents, Lester & Grace Lewis,
founding members of this congregation.

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November 19, 2017/59th Anniversary of St. James United Church

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister of Visitation:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Guest speaker:	Rev. Bill Bartlett
Organist:	Paul Rodermond
Choirs:	AOTS, UCW, Youth
Choirs' Director:	Doreen Brown
Soloist:	Katelyn Mayo

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

Musical Prelude

Welcome & Life & Work of St. James



Introit: *We Love the Place O God*

Choirs

Lighting the Community Candle

Passing the Peace:

One: The peace of God is with us.

All: Thanks be to God.

(You are invited to share the peace with your neighbours.)

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord".

All: Open to us the gates of righteousness.

One: Let us go through them and we will praise the Lord.

All: How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My heart rejoices to be in the house of the Lord.

Opening Prayer: (together) O Living God of past and future, we praise You for this moment. Fill us with Your joy and empower us with Your Holy Spirit, that our strength may be renewed to sing of Your glory in a world which longs for Your justice and peace. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, in whom we become Your new creation. Amen.

Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 220

Children's Time

Youth Choir: *I see the Love of God*

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

Offertory Hymn: *I Love to Tell the Story* 343

Offertory Prayer: (together) O God, by Your generosity we have received all that we have and all that we are. Grant that we may so use the things which You have entrusted to our care, that we may become more and more Your children in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

UCW Anthem: *Born in Song* solo verse by Katelyn Mayo

Scripture Readings

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

AOTS Anthem: *The Lighthouse*

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-19

Sermon: Rev. Bill Bartlett, President of Newfoundland and Labrador Conference

Hymn: *The Church's One Foundation* 332

Responsive Prayer:

One: Let us come to God with thankful hearts for St. James United Church, and for 59 years of ministry and service in this community.

All: We thank You Lord.

One: For Your presence whenever two or three have gathered in Your name,

All: we thank You Lord.

One: For this place where we can be still and know that You are God,

All: we thank You Lord.

One: For our past and the vision of our future that lies ahead,

All: we give You thanks, O Lord, for hearing us each time we come before You.

One: For providing a sacred place to worship You, to baptize our infants, to celebrate marriage, and to share with the grieving,

All: we give You thanks, O Lord, for Your presence in all our life's situations.

One: For providing a place to hear Your word, grow in faith, and be challenged in mission,

All: we thank You Lord for all the lives that have been touched through our Church's mission;

One: for the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance.

All: Thank You Lord for inspiring those who came before us, for giving them the vision to build and the means to accomplish Your purpose. We give You thanks, O Lord, for their labour of love, their servant-heart and dedication to duty.

One: In one voice we pray together:

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: *Let Us Build a House*

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Blessing and Sending Forth

Organ Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Barry Cutler

Ushers: Sandra Thistle, Linda Babstock,
Jean Brown, Oliver Wellon



“Anytime is perfect time for making someone happy” Anon

Happy Anniversary St. James!