

St. James United Church

62nd Anniversary

A Community of Friends in Faith
330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9
November 15, 2020



The Church is a fellowship of believers who have responded to God's call through Jesus Christ. As members of a Christian community initiated by Christ to proclaim God's love for the whole creation, we are called to:

- (1) Believe in God and God's love made visible in Jesus Christ;
- (2) To participate in a spiritual journey, intentionally proclaiming, celebrating and deepening spiritual consciousness;
- (3) To be good stewards of all that we possess and to care for the Earth which is God's creation;
- (4) To develop meaningful and caring relationships with others as well as with God;
- (5) To empower individuals and groups, in response to the call of Christ, to increase their awareness of the oppressive forces around them, and with God's help, to seek justice for all people.

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This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Alex Hickman
from
Nancy, Sandy, Heather, Harry, Peter, and families.

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Baxter Howse
who was our church postman for a long time.
from
Shirley Bursey.

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November 15, 2020/Anniversary Sunday

Minister:	Rev. Marion Davis
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Music Director:	Amy Dalziel
Associate Music Director:	Branden Olsen
Flutist:	Eda Lu

St. James United Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, ability, cultural background or sexual orientation.

MUSICAL PRELUDE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY/FIRST PEOPLES

WELCOME CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK

HYMN: *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*

VU 220

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE: (One) We light this candle to remind us of the presence of Christ. The light from this one candle shines equally for each one of us; the light from this one candle shines equally for the world.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Come, people of God, come and worship here!

All: We come with hearts full, hopes high, and faith rejoicing!

One: Come brothers and sisters in Christ, come and worship now!

All: We come with voices, music, hands and feet!

One: Come, children of the Spirit's longing, come and worship God.

All: We come! Let us worship God together!

(Kate Crawford, *Gathering: Pentecost 1, 2015*. Used with permission)

Opening Prayer: (All)

God of the ages, you founded the Church for your people whom you love. Let this church building, be a sign of your grace; that we and all who gather here may worship you in spirit and in truth; that we may learn of you; may grow together in love, and thus be strengthened to love and serve you everywhere. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our cornerstone. Amen (*Celebrate God's Presence* p596)

HYMN: *Let Us Build a House*

MV 01

Prayer of Confession:

One: Where we have failed to live in your way,

All: Loving God, forgive us.

One: Where we have seen your way as being too costly,

All: Loving God, forgive us.

One: Where we have failed to do the right thing in favour of the easy thing,

All: Loving God, forgive us. (silence)

(Beth W. Johnston, *Gathering Pentecost 1, 2015* p35. Used with permission)

Assurance of Forgiveness:

One: Here is good news if we will but listen: God loves us, God forgives us, God accepts us and sets us free. In the name of Christ we are forgiven!

All: In the name of Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

(Beaverlodge United, *Worship for All Seasons, Volume 3* p30. Used with permission)

We Listen for God's Word

FIRST READING: 1Corinthians 12:4-11

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 138

see insert

ANTHEM/SOLO/SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL READING: The Acts of the Apostles 2:1-13

One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name professing
And at one table fed,
To one hope always pressing,
By Christ's own Spirit led.

Though with a scornful wonder
The world sees us oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping;
Their cry goes up: "How long?"
But soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of our war,
We wait the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

We now on earth have union
With God, the Three in One,
And share through faith communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 138 (VU 860)

I praise you, O God, with all my heart;
before the gods I will sing your praises.
**I bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your name for your love and faithfulness;**
For you have exalted your name
and your word above everything.
**On the day that I called, you answered me,
and put new strength in my soul. R**

All earth's rulers shall praise you,
when they hear the words of your mouth.

**They shall sing of your ways, O God,
sing that your glory is great.**

For though you are high, you care for the lowly.
as for the proud, you humble them from afar. R

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me;
**you stretch out your hand against my enemies' rage;
your powerful hand delivers me.**

You will fulfill your purpose for me.

Your love, O God, is eternal.

Do not leave unfinished the work of your hands. R



Life and Work – November 15, 2020

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of Baxter Howse from St. James A.O.T.S.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Bridges to Hope in loving memory of Baxter Howse from Aubrey & Ruby Hill.

Important: Even though we are now open for in-person Sunday Morning Worship, you still have to pre-register to attend by calling 700-6064 by the previous Friday.

There will be the usual Contemporary Digital Service at 4:30pm on November 21.

In-person traditional Worship Service on Sunday, November 22 at 11am with the Rev. Jim Von Riesen.

UCW Outreach Project for The Gathering Place:

On October 30th, the UCW delivered 390 masks to The Gathering Place. We would like to extend a grateful thank you to all who assisted in any way to make this happen. Thank you to those members of the UCW who donated handmade masks or provided financial donations which allowed us to purchase materials to make masks, and to purchase additional masks as well. Also, thank you to the ladies in the UCW who willingly gave their time and talent to sew masks from the purchased materials for donation.

The Gathering Place was quite appreciative of the donation.

Annual White Gift Outreach Project for Stella's Circle:

As usual, we are collecting Christmas gifts for Stella's Circle, and will be accepting items every Sunday at the Worship Service up until Sunday, December 6.

For those who cannot make a Sunday delivery, there will be an opportunity to drop-off your gift at the church on Saturday, December 5, between noon and 3pm.

Important: Gifts should be new and remain unwrapped, except for their original packaging if any.

Household Items

- 👉 Dishes
- 👉 Pot & pans
- 👉 Forks, knives, spoons
- 👉 Utensils
- 👉 Cutting board
- 👉 Kettle
- 👉 Toaster
- 👉 Plastic mixing bowls
- 👉 Electric mixer
- 👉 Dish cloths & pot cloths
- 👉 Single sheets (twin and some double & queen)
- 👉 Cups, mugs and glasses
- 👉 Pie Plates, cake pans, pizza pans
- 👉 Baking sheets
- 👉 Can openers
- 👉 Colander
- 👉 Blankets & pillows
- 👉 Dish racks
- 👉 Casserole dishes
- 👉 Bath towels, hand towels & face cloths
- 👉 Frying pans (non-stick)
- 👉 Mops, buckets, brooms
- 👉 Garbage bags
- 👉 Basic household cleaners
- 👉 Laundry detergent
- 👉 Dish liquid
- 👉 Light bulbs
- 👉 Reusable water bottles
- 👉 Throw blankets
- 👉 Alarm clocks
- 👉 Lysol wipes and Hand Sanitizer
- 👉 Paper towels & toilet paper

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Donations of personal care items and personal clothing (ex. socks, underwear, pajamas) can only be accepted if new and in their original packaging.

Personal Care Items (for all adults)

- 👉 Shampoo & conditioner (in one)
- 👉 Shampoo
- 👉 Conditioner
- 👉 Deodorant
- 👉 Hair brushes, combs, elastics
- 👉 Hair spray and gels
- 👉 Razors
- 👉 Shaving creams and gels
- 👉 Toothbrush and toothpaste
- 👉 Soap
- 👉 Body wash
- 👉 Moisturizer and hand lotion
- 👉 Nail care items (clippers, nail file)
- 👉 Feminine hygiene products (especially tampons)
- 👉 Dental floss
- 👉 Hairspray
- 👉 Face cleanser (such as Cetaphil)
- 👉 Make up wipes

(Note: some unscented toiletries would be helpful)

Other Helpful Items (for all adults)

- 👉 Socks
- 👉 Underwear (all sizes up to and including 5X)
- 👉 Night shirts
- 👉 Pyjamas and pyjama bottoms
- 👉 Slippers
- 👉 Night wear sizes Large-5X
- 👉 Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves
- 👉 Winter wear (Coats, Jackets)
- 👉 Footwear (indoor & outdoor, especially for winter)
- 👉 Movie passes
- 👉 Gift cards valued at \$5 & \$10 (ex. Subway, Tim Hortons, Sobeys, Walmart, etc.)
- 👉 Adult colouring or doodling books & colouring leads
- 👉 Playing Cards, Games

Message regarding Registration:

Please know that when you register for church, it is always on the assumption that you will be able to make it that day. If, for whatever reason, you are unable to attend, that is quite ok. There are no penalties to not coming nor did you keep someone else from attending. We currently have more than enough room. With that being said, if you still don't feel comfortable pre-registering, you can simply call the registration line on Friday afternoon and Jennifer will be able to advise you as to how many are signed up for Sunday. Then, if you wish to join us on Sunday as a walk-in, you can be assured there will be room for you. Please note: walk-ins are always welcome but it is at your own risk. If there is no room at the inn, we will unfortunately have to turn you away. That is why we promote calling and registering.