

St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith

330 Elizabeth Ave, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9



The people of St. James United Church are eternal seekers who value diversity within our congregation, our city and all of society. We affirm each person's uniqueness and believe that all persons deserve to be valued, treated with equity, and respected. We are all children of God, walking many paths of spirituality.

Further, we proudly and publicly declare our commitment to practice radical hospitality and strive in every way to provide a safe and supportive place for all persons to participate in the worship and work of our church.

Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we embrace all persons, regardless of creed, race, age, ability, economic status, cultural and ethnic background, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or any other difference that has led to marginalization or oppression.

In Loving Memory of
Bethany Danielle Pike
January 8, 1988 – May 27, 2008
Stephen, Susan, Rebecca & Kyle

June 4, 2023, Memorial Hymn Sing Sunday

Leading Worship and Music: St. James Guitar Group
Accompanist: Amy Dalziel

Ushers: Barbara Butt, Betty Pilgrim, Marilyn Adams,
Susan Pike and Jean Thompson

We Come to Worship

MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME; ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND AND KINSHIP

We take time to give thanks for the land and the Indigenous peoples who continue to steward it; we also commit to be an inclusive community for all.

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

HYMN: "Precious Memories"

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE / CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come today to remember and celebrate.

All: to remember our loved ones and celebrate them in song.

One: We come today to remember and celebrate.

All: to remember all that God has done in Christ's love.

One: We come today to remember and celebrate.

All: to celebrate in faith, upheld in the power of God's Spirit.

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Loving God, we come together in faith to celebrate your love.

**We experience that love through the people in our lives
and for that precious gift we give you thanks.**

**We thank you as well for the love we experience in Jesus
your Son and our faithful friend in our lives. Amen.**

HYMN: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (*Voices United 664*)

We Share

OUR LIFE AND WORK: *We acknowledge the connection between work and worship, announcing what is going on in our congregation.*

*** OFFERTORY:** "Spirit of Life" (*Voices United 381*)

Spirit of Life, come unto me. Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion. Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; move in the hand, giving me the shape of justice. Roots hold close; wings set me free; Spirit of Life come to me, come to me.

*** PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

We Listen

HYMN: "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" (*Voices United 703*)

HYMN: "Morning Has Broken" (*Voices United 409*)

READING: Selected verses of Genesis 1

HYMN: "Deep In Our Hearts" (*More Voices 154*)

HYMN: "Amazing Grace" (*Voices United 266*)

READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

HYMN: "In the Garden"

HYMN: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

READING: Matthew 28:16-20

HYMN: “I, the Lord (Here I Am Lord)” (*Voices United 509*)

HYMN: “Will You Walk with Me”

We Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We take time to pray for the needs of our global and local communities, knowing that what we pray for we in turn are called to do something about.

THE PRAYER OF JESUS

We Leave to Serve

HYMN: “Will Your Anchor Hold” (*Voices United 675*)

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION: “May the God of Hope Go with Us” (*VU 424*)

MUSICAL POSTLUDE

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