

Life and Work – June 21, 2026

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Maude Lake who passed peacefully on Tuesday, June 16 surrounded by her loving family. The service was held in the Barrett's Memorial Chapel, on Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 11am with interment followed in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Donations in her memory may be made to St. James United Church or St. Pat's Mercy Home Rec. Department.

Tune into VOWR: This Sunday's service will be rebroadcast on VOWR on Sunday, June 21 at 7:00 PM. We welcome all those worshipping in person, watching via livestream, and those listening.

We acknowledge the following donations to the Cemetery Fund:

* In loving memory of Dad, Fred Higdon. From his Children Cheryl, Karen, David and Kelly.

* In loving memory of Reginald Kingsley from Mary Ryan

We acknowledge the following donation to the Memorial Fund:

* In loving memory of Fathers Lewis Babstock and Edward Murphy from Linda and Ed Murphy

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on Tuesday, June 23, 2026 to observe the June Holiday and will reopen on Wednesday morning as usual.

Join the Pride Parade, July 19 at Noon: Once again St. James United Church will be in the Pride Parade. So, let's get a large contingent of us to take part, showing our love and support of the 2SLGBTQ+ community. Contact Rev. James (james @ [stjamesuc.org](mailto:james@stjamesuc.org)) for more details.

Adopt a Flower Bed: Do you love tending flowers? Then why not adopt one of our flower beds? We are looking for people to take on a flower bed, keeping it weeded and looking its best. Contact the office to let us know.

Connecting with our Neighbourhood: This summer and fall we are doing Prayer Walks in our neighbourhood. This is a simple weekly walk along the streets surrounding the church, praying, observing and connecting with neighbours as you go. We will form small teams of 2-3 people to walk each week (or every 2 weeks if that is easier). Contact Rev. James (james@stjamesuc.org) if this interests you or for more information.

Monthly Labyrinth Walk: Did you know we have a labyrinth? We do and it is beckoning for us to walk it. A labyrinth is a circular winding path into a centre point. Unlike a maze there is only one path, and you cannot get lost. Walking the labyrinth is an ancient prayer practice to quiet the mind and seek spiritual clarity. Throughout the summer we will have a group labyrinth walk on fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm. June 24 and July 22. Meet on the lawn between the church and Paton Street.

Care Home Services: Each month (except during the summer), Rev. James and various volunteers lead worship services and hymn sings at 3 different care homes. Feel free to come and worship, sing, and meet the residents, some of whom are members of St. James.

- 2nd Thursday at 2 pm - Worship with Bob Rose, UCW and AOTS at Pleasant View Towers.
- 3rd Wednesday at 3 pm - Hymn Sing with Doreen Brown at Kenny's Pond Retirement Community.
- 4th Wednesday at 3 pm - Hymn Sing with Doreen Brown at Bishops Gardens Seniors Living.
- In addition, Doreen Brown assists Rev. Rebecca on the 1st Wednesday at 3 pm at Tiffany Village.

Meditation: Each Wednesday, 5:45-6:30 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. People who are new to Christian meditation are asked to come at 5:30 for a time of instruction with Rev. James. Come each week for a time of quiet meditation in the Christian tradition.

Readers Required: If anyone is interested in helping out during Sunday worship services by doing readings, please see the sign-up sheet in the vestibule or please contact Barry Cutler at (709) 685-9030 or by email at newfie_1_ca@yahoo.ca.