



ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

2nd Sunday after Pentecost: June 7th 2026
Anniversary 101 for United Church of Canada
10:30 am St. James United Church Family in Worship
Worship Theme: "Renewal of Spirit!"
"Spiritual Growth, Compassionate Living"

SEEKING GOD'S PEACE - WE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Prelude Music:

GOOD MORNING! Words of Welcome, Greetings and Announcements. Persons wishing to remain seated during the service are invited to do so for your personal comfort and spiritual reflection. Please join us in the Muriel Bridge Room for a time of visiting and refreshments following the benediction and organ postlude.

Invitation and Call to Worship:

Leader: In a world where so many have very little,
and a few people thrive in their abundance.

All: God's gift of love is shared with all!

Leader: When we find ourselves in times of chaos and struggle;

All: May the lessons and presence of Jesus renew our faith!

Leader: When we are unsure about "Who we are?"
and "What we are called to do?"

**All: God's Holy Spirit fills us with Hope, Faith and
Helpful Determination!**

Hymn of Praise: **VU# 603 "In Loving Partnership We Come"**

Prayer of Approach: **(unison)**

Journeying God, who imparts wisdom and shows compassion,
You spoke to Jeremiah and other prophets in times of distress, for
your people. You speak to us today: The Church Family of St.
James United Church in Simcoe, as a faith community in challenging

times, as we face our future with questions and curiosity. Touch our hearts and inspire our minds. Bless our circle of family and friends. With the leading of Jesus Christ, make us a faithful, gracious and courageous people, as we venture into the future with faith to meet our fears. Amen.

SEEKING GOD'S TRUTH - WE LISTEN

A New Creed: VU#918 **"We are not alone, we live in God's world"**

Family Hymn: VU# 585 **"Jesus Bids Us Shine"**

Family Focus: Storyteller: Rev. Barrie

Scripture Lessons:

Mark 3:20-35 "Who gives Jesus his power?"

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 "Daily renewal for our inner nature"

Lay Reader: June House; Bill Easdown

Music Selection: Diane Stewart

Message: "Vulnerability Requires Our Heartfelt Response!"

Rev. Barrie Bain Preaching

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory Response: **VU#537 "Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands"**

Offertory Prayer (**unison**)

God of abundant life and wonders beyond number: Grant that our offerings might be acceptable in your sight. Fill us with the Spirit of Your Risen Christ, that we might be the new creations You call and empower us to be. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU# 639 “One More Step Along the World I Go”

Benediction

Postlude Music:

A special welcome to the visitors and friends who have joined us this morning. You are invited to gather in the Muriel Bridge Room for refreshments and fellowship following the worship service.

Guest speaker from the OPP on Scams Tuesday June 9 at 7:00 pm light refreshments. All Welcome. RSVP by June 1 to Jody.

Tuesday June 16 at 8-9:00 pm on Zoom information on the story of Ruth. Zoom meeting led by Ruth scholar Enid Pottinger of Hamilton.

Sunday June 21st: Church of the Delaware will be joining our worship service. Potluck and strawberries to follow, in the MBR. See Marg Tisdale for more details.

Saturday June 27 at 7:30 pm - Arcady-Ruth. Tickets \$40.00. Information on poster. Tickets at the Church office as well.

Shared Summer Worship Schedule for July and August 2026 - (All worship services are at 10:30 am) We will be at St. James for the month of July and at Colborne Village United Church for the month of August.

Bible Reading - June 7, 2026
Reader: May House - Bill Easdown

Mark 3:20-35

and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'—for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—‘I believed, and so I spoke’—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.