



ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

Day of Pentecost: Sunday June 8th 2025
100th Anniversary of Church Union June 10th 2025
St. James United Church Family in Worship
Seventh Sunday after Easter – Environment Sunday
Worship Focus: **“The Power and Mystery of Pentecost!”**
“Spiritual Growth, Compassionate Living”

SEEKING GOD’S PEACE - WE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Prelude Music:

GOOD MORNING! Words of Welcome, Greetings and
Announcements - The Life and Work of the St. James Church Family!
Persons wishing to remain seated during the service are welcome to do
so for your personal comfort and spiritual reflection. Your presence and
full participation enriches us as we gather to make our journey of faith
and actions together. May this be a time of praise, worship and
fellowship for all of us

Call to Worship: **(Responsive)**

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

All: God’s gift of love is to be shared with all!

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

**All: The lessons and presence of Christ renews our
faith!**

Leader: When we are unsure about “Who we are?”
and “What we are called to be on this Day of
Pentecost?”

**All: God’s Spirit fills us with hope, faith, partnerships
and determination!**

Hymn of Praise: * Sing verses 1&2 of each hymn

VU# 675 "Will Your Anchor Hold"

VU# 238 "How Great Thou Art"

VU# 382 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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 as a faith community in challenging times, as we face an uncertain future. Touch our hearts and inspire our minds in this time of worship. Inspire us to deeper commitment. Bless our circles of family and friends. With the leading of Jesus Christ; make us a faithful, gracious and generous people, as we venture into the future. Amen.

SEEKING GOD'S TRUTH : WE LISTEN

Psalter: **VU# 827** Psalm 104 Part Two Refrain #1

"God's Spirit is the source of all life"

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

Family Focus: Storytellers: **St. James UCW**

Scripture Lessons:

Acts 2:1-21 "The Spirit is present with the disciples"

Romans 8: 14-17 "Life in the Spirit"

Lay Reader: Beth Wheatley

Music Selection: Diane Stewart

Message: **“HOW DO WE MEASURE LIFE?”**
Rev. Barrie Bain Preaching

Hymn **VU# 701 “What Does the Lord Require of You”**

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory: **VU# 541 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

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# 625 “I Feel the Winds of God”**

Benediction

Postlude Music

Please proceed to the Muriel Bridge Room after the postlude music, for a time of fellowship and refreshments with thanks to the people of June House!

UPCOMING SERVICES

- June 15 10:30 - Honoring Rev. Barrie Bain for his 50 years of ministry with the United Church of Canada
- June 22 There will be a Strawberry Social following the service
- June 29 This being Rev. Barrie's last service until September, we will enjoy a pot luck luncheon after the service.

SUMMER SERVICES - 10:30 am:

For the month of July, services will be at St. James and for the month of August, services will be at Colborne Village.

On line banking is Available: Donations may be made to St. James at stjamesbanking@gmail.com

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UPCOMING EVENTS

AMICITIA UNIT: Tuesday June 10 - 7:00 pm UCW will be hosting guest speaker Lyndsey Ross talking about her expanded business Absolute Home care, Coffee and Goodies afterwards. All women are invited to attend. We are extending an invitation to St. Paul's Presbyterian and Colborne Village Women. Let Jody know if you are able to attend.

LADIES - SAVE THE DATES

Tuesday, July 8 lunch at Riverside 11:30AM and Tuesday, August 12 dinner at The Barrel. 5:30PM as a social time for women.

A Celebration

On June 1st, Rev. Barrie Bain celebrated 50 years as an Ordained Minister in The United Church of Canada!

And

On June 14th – Jane Bain (Baxter) is being ordained at St. Andrew's United Church, 479 Upper Paradise Rd, Hamilton, ON at 4:00 p.m. You are welcome.

NOW WE CELEBRATE!!!

A THANK YOU CELEBRATION

You are invited to an Open House to celebrate Barrie's 50th Anniversary and I wish to express my thanks for your support of me on my ministry journey these past four years. Please join Barrie and myself on Saturday, June 21, 2025 from 2 – 5 p.m. at Fairview United Church, 49 Wayne Drive, Brantford, ON.

- Jane Bain



Bible Reading - June 8/25
Reader: June House - Beth Wheatley

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new

wine.’

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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Romans 8:14-17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.