

# ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

Trinity Sunday - June 15<sup>th</sup> 2025 St. James United Church Family in Worship Worship Focus: "WHERE DO WE FIND GOD ???" "Spiritual Growth, Compassionate Living"

# SEEKING THE GUIDANCE OF JESUS - WE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Prelude Music:

**GOOD MORNING!** Words of Welcome, Greetings and direction - Persons wishing to remain seated during the service may do so with our blessing! 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:

Today God calls us, and we respond.

People:

With our prayers and our commitment.

We respond with our hopes and our dreams. We respond with our hearts and our minds.

Leader:

Today Christ welcomes us and we enter.

People:

We come into this place of quiet and refuge. We enter into this time of reflection and vision. We enter into this space of inspiration and insight

Leader:

Today the Spirit is alive in our midst and we are

thankful.

People:

We are thankful for opportunities to serve.

We are thankful for moments of personal renewal.

We are thankful for invitations to share the goodness of life with one another. Leader:

Come and be nurtured by the fellowship that we share

and be thankful for all that God has done for us.

People:

We come, open for a future of hope today.

We come, seeking to be a part of God's mission.

\*\* Created by Bill Steadman, Goulais River UC., Ont.

Hymn of Praise: VU# 589 "Lord Speak to Me"

Prayer of Approach (unison)

God of transformation and parental love, You touch our lives in many ways. You raise us up when we feel down and discouraged. You keep us grounded when we are flighty and all over the map. You inspire us and comfort us when we have lost our sense of self-esteem. In You, Creator, we are earnestly seeking the North Star for our faith journey. You accompany us in the many and varied tasks that we undertake each day. Embrace us in this time of worship, and give us the direction we need to face the future with hope and energy. Amen.

Words of Assurance: (unison)

Together, we continue on this journey as a Pentecost people, knowing that the Risen Christ walks with us. Thanks be to God as we pray together saying: Our Father, who art in heaven - - -

Psalter VU# 732 Psalm 8 "Praise to the Creator"

# **DESIRING CHRISTIAN GROWTH: WE LISTEN**

Family Focus: Celebrating 50 years of ministry Those present say after each blessing:

May the blessing of God enfold you.

Family Hymn: VU# 296 "This Is God's Wondrous World"

Scripture Lessons:

John 16: 12-15 "The Spirit of Truth"

Romans 5:1-5 "Suffering – Endurance – Character – Hope"

Lay Reader: June House - Bill Easdown

Choir Anthem: "The Joy of the Lord Lives in Me" - P Mock/D Nolan

Message:\_"THE TRINITY" - GOD'S THREE PART MYSTERY!
Rev. Barrie Bain Preaching

Hymn VU# 510 "We Have This Ministry"

## **COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND**

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory Response: VU# 538 "For the Gift of Creation"

Offertory Prayer (unison)

Great God, You have given us new life and hope!
In joyous thanksgiving, we offer to You; our gifts of time, talent and money. We pray that this Astounding News of Pentecost, Hope and New Life may be shared with others throughout the world. This we do in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Hymn VU# 675 "Will Your Anchor Hold"

#### Benediction

Postlude Music

Please join together in The Muriel Bridge Room after the postlude music for a time of fellowship and refreshments with thanks to the people of the June house.

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

June 22 There Weill 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.

#### 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 THANK YOU CELEBRATION

You are invited to an Open House to celebrate Barrie's 50<sup>th</sup> 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

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# Bible Reading - June 15/25 Reader: June House - Bill Easdown

John 16:12-15

'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.