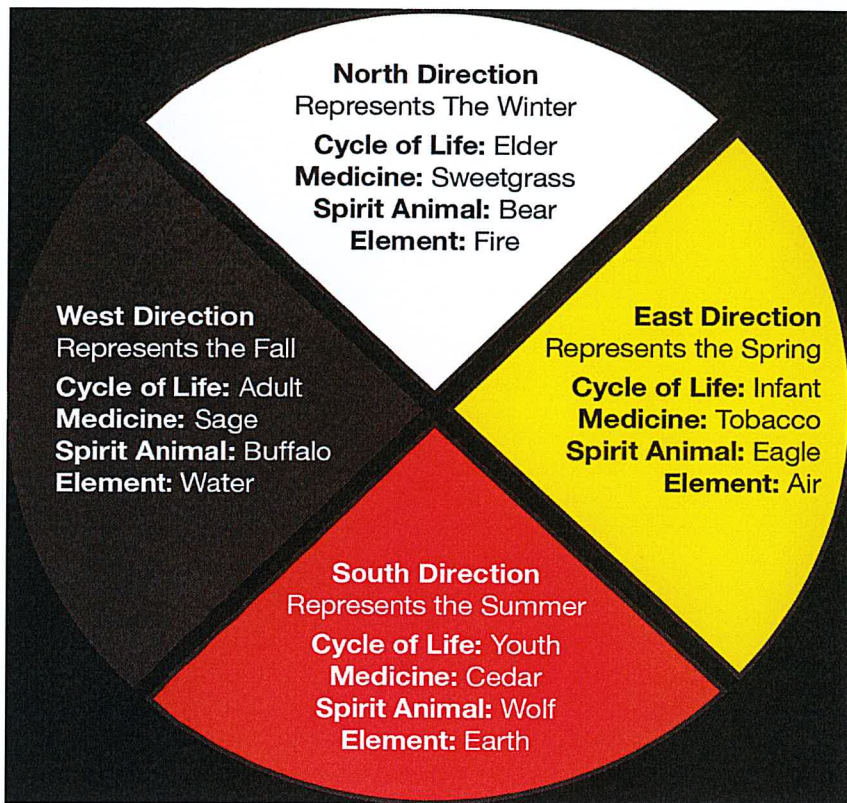




ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

Sunday June 21st 2026 – Father's Day
St. James United Church Family in Worship
National Indigenous Peoples' Day
Worship Theme: "Actions of Love!"
"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 with us in The Muriel Bridge Room for a time of visiting and refreshments following the benediction and postlude music.

Call to Worship – (Responsive)

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

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

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

God's People: 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?"

God's People: God's Spirit fills us with hope, faith and determination!

Hymn of Praise VU# 608 "Dear God, Who Loves all Humankind"

Prayer of Approach: (unison)

Journeying God, who imparts wisdom and shows compassion, in You, every family on earth receives its name. Illumine the homes of this earth with the light of Your love. Grant courage to those who are hurting or lonely, patience and strength for those who care for sick family members, and wisdom to those in fearful times of change. We thank You for the gifts of love that we have received from our fathers and mothers, life partners, companions, children and friends. As we have been loved by You and by others, so may we love. Grant us God's peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SEEKING GOD'S TRUTH - WE LISTEN

Psalter : **VU #807** Psalm 91 **"I will raise you up on eagle's wings"**

Family Hymn: **VU# 577 "I've Got Peace like a River"**

Family Focus: Storyteller: Rev. Barrie

Scripture Lessons:

Mark 4:35-41 "Jesus Calms a Storm"

Galatians 2:15-21 "Love Replaces Law"

Lay Reader: June house - Bill Easdown

Choir Anthem: **"Instrument of Peace"** G. Gilpin

Message: **"Seeking Shelter in Stormy Times!"**

Rev. Barrie Bain Preaching

Hymn: **VU# 374 "Come and Find the Quiet Centre"**

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Presentation and Dedication of the Offering

Offertory Response: **VU# 538 “For the Gift of Creation”**

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# **679 “Let There Be Light”**

Benediction

Postlude Music:

Thanks to those persons who have made special preparations that we might enjoy the Pot Luck and the Strawberry Social that takes place in the Muriel Bridge Room following the worship service this morning.

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 21, 2026
Reader: June House - Bill Easdown

Mark 4:35-41

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

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Galatians 2:15-21

We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.