



ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday (9 to noon)

St James United Church
Sunday July 19, 2026
Mae Bedford LLWL
"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 organ postlude.

St James welcomes you wherever you may have travelled from.

Light the Christ candle-Light is so precious in our lives. In the midst of this summer season, we are well aware that plants will not grow without light. Even as daylight lengthens, we count on light to guide our daily rhythms. Into this reality comes Jesus Christ, light and love for us all. May Christ's light guide us toward the eternal light of hope, grace, and love.

Special Music

Call to Worship - (Responsive)

Time calls us to this place

to find comfort, to find caring, to love one another.

Time is a gift we are given each morning when we rise.

It is our responsibility to use it wisely.

It is also our responsibility to use it gently.

To be, rather than always “to do”

We are human creatures

and we come to this place in the heat of summer to honour our Creator.

Come, sit, listen, and most importantly, BE in this place.

We come answering God’s call.

Opening Hymn **VU# 245 “Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet”**

SEEKING GOD’S TRUTH - WE LISTEN

Reading Psalm 113

Pause for Reflection

Opening Prayer, The Sunflower Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance- God's specialty is to lighten our load when we’ve been burdened by the weight of the world.

Forgiveness is a gift given freely/ let us celebrate this great gift that gives us a light heart.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS - WE RESPOND

Offering Song **VU# 570 Jesus’ hands were kind hands**

Offering Prayer

These, our offerings, for a world in need. We present ourselves, such as we are, to be a blessing for the

betterment of our neighbourhoods and our world. May these gifts be a blessing indeed for all who are in need. Amen.

Special Music

Women of faith in Canadian history

Prayers of the people & Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn: **VU# 633 Bless now, O God, the journey**

Benediction - May we leave this place open to God's call on our lives that each of us might be a source of healing and of kindness in this world. May we go in faith ready to love and to serve in Jesus' name. Amen.

Postlude Music:

The July & August house invite you for refreshments in the Muriel Bridge room following the worship service.

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.

The ladies of St. James and Colborne Village are invited to a dinner at The Blue Elephant on Tuesday August 11 at 5:30. We have the back covered patio reserved. Please let Jody know if you are able to attend. RSVP to crossmahoney@bell.net or 519 426-9823.

HOLIDAYS:

Ann and John will be taking Mondays off during the summer. During this time the office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (9 am to noon).

Rev. Barrie will be taking his unpaid summer vacation time from July 1 until August 26; as per the approved Horseshoe Falls Appointment This appointment schedule has received approval by Rev. Barrie, and St. James Church Council. During the months of July and August, Rev. Brian Elder has agreed to act as Emergency Pastoral Care Minister for matters of this pastoral charge.

July 19 service everyone is invited to wear a hat.

Frosty Fair is Sat. Nov.14. The summer is a good time to pick up items at garage sales.

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