

St. James United Church

June 3, 2018/Laity Sunday

Bread Not Stones – Taking Action to End Child Poverty

The Service today is conducted by the St. James United Church Women

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Visitation:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Pianist:	Gillian Burry Vaughan
Choir:	UCW
Choir Director:	Gillian Burry Vaughan

St. James United Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background or sexual orientation.

Musical Prelude

Introit: <i>God Weeps</i>	MV78 Choir
Welcome and Introduction to the Service	Jean White
Sharing the Peace	
Life & Work of St. James	

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: What does the Lord require of us?

All: To seek justice, to love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

One: Who are we called to be?

All: We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others.

One: Why do we gather for worship?

All: We gather as an outpouring of gratitude and awe and a practice of opening ourselves to God's still, small voice of comfort, and to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge. Let us worship God together!

Opening Prayer: (together) Creator God, You have made each of us in your image, and yet we fail to reflect Your love and justice.

You have created every child in Your image, and yet we don't treat every child as a precious reflection of You. We see some children as valued treasures, and others as lost causes. We invest our time, money, and hopes in some children, while we squander the great potential of others. Open our eyes, we pray, to see that every child is made in Your image and belongs to You. Help us to love, protect and nurture all children. We pray these things in the name of the One who came to us as a child. Amen.

Hymn: *Jesus Loves Me*

365

Children's Time

Gloria Le Feuvre

Hymn: *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* 400

Offertory Invitation

Offering

Offertory Chorus: *Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As You love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.*

Offertory Dedication: (together) Gracious God, use this offering and all that we have for the building up of Your work in this church and the wide world, for Your glory. Amen.

Scripture

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 15: 7-11 Maxine Rose
New Testament: Matthew 25: 35-40

Anthem: *Bread Not Stones* by Kevin White Choir

Reflection

Barbara Adams

Hymn: *When I Needed a Neighbour* 600

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Gail Colbourne

Closing Hymn: *Go, Make a Difference* MV209

Commissioning and Benediction: (responsive) Barbara Adams

One: Friends, what does God require of us?

All: To seek justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

One: And if Christ's disciples keep silent?

All: The stones will shout out!

One: May God bless our witness, life and work.

All: And may the Spirit guide us in the Way. Amen.

Musical Postlude: 'Bread Not Stones' YouTube

Service prepared by Barbara Adams.

Call to Worship, Prayers and Children's Time from "Bread Not Stones", United Church of Canada 2016



Ushering this morning is provided by Usher in Charge: Oliver Wellon

Greeters and Ushers: Florence & Jack Head, Eric & May King, Bill & Cindy Pike, Jim Inder

St. James United Church 60th Anniversary Painting & Carpet Cleaning Fundraiser

It has been several years since the church inside and the trim outside have been painted, and the carpet has not been professionally cleaned since it was installed. Since 2018 is the 60th

Anniversary of the church, it would be nice to have it spruced up for the big weekend in November. The Church Council agreed to have a fundraiser for Father's Day to see if we could raise the money to cover the cost of the paint and carpet cleaners.

Painting inside:

40 gallons of paint at	\$40.00 each	\$1,600.00
12 pkgs Rollers & Paint Tray	20.00	240.00
8 pkgs Paint Brushes	20.00	160.00
Total		\$2,000.00

Painting outside:

5 gallons of paint	\$40.00 each	\$200.00
3 pkg Paint Trays & Brushes	20.00	60.00
Total		\$260.00

Carpet Cleaning:

Professional Cleaner \$3,500.00

Total \$5,760.00

If you would like to make a donation, please fill in the information below and return to the church office by June 11th.

Name: _____

Envelope No: _____ Amount: _____

In Honour or Memory of _____

St. James United Church Life and Work, June 3, 2018

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Barbara Moore who passed away on May 25. Her funeral service took place from St. James last Wednesday.

We offer our condolences to Joy, Trevor and Robin Bartlett, their families and friends, on the passing of Joy's beloved husband, Dr. Donald Bartlett on May 27, with his funeral service from St. James last Thursday.

We offer our condolences to Judy Dale whose daughter, Lori Danielle Follett, passed away on May 27. A family service took place from Carnell's Funeral home yesterday.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

to the 60th Anniversary Painting and Carpet Cleaning Fundraiser:

*in loving memory of Dr. Donald Bartlett from Maxine Ivory;

*in loving memory of loved ones from George & Jean White;

*in loving memory of parents Leah & Lewis Bursey and brother Gordon Bursey from Doug & Joan Bursey.

to the Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Capt. Walter Blackwood from daughter Lorna Jamieson.

to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund in loving memory of Bethany from Fred & Pam Earle.

to the Youth Ministries Fund in loving memory of parents Marg & Ted Giannou and brother Bruce Giannou from Karen Giannou.

Tickets are now available for purchase from our Church Office for our Diamond Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, November 17 at 6 for 6:30pm in the Auditorium. Cost is \$25 per ticket.

Please contact Emma House if you are interested in participating in our summer music program; emmalclark@gmail.com or 709-764-1393.

Tomorrow, Monday, May 28:

*11am NIA (No Impact Aerobics) with Elaine Dunphy. \$5 drop-in fee; seniors welcomed and encouraged;
*4:30pm Beginner Quilting with Susan continues.

Senior's Worship Service with Communion, Wednesday, June 6 at 2pm, followed by a time of fellowship with tea, coffee and some sweet treats. Please contact the church office if you need transportation. (722-1881, ext. 200)

Youth Ministries and the CE Committee invite you to a soup lunch celebrating the 93rd anniversary of the United Church and our Sunday school and Youth Groups' summer closing next Sunday following the 11am service. The cost is as usual a donation towards the St. James Youth Ministries.

Minute for Mission: Our gifts for M&S support the long standing ministry of St. Columbia House, a community ministry supporting those who are living on the margins of Montreal. This ministry celebrated its 100th Anniversary in 2017. From its beginnings as a place that only provided hot meals, to its current status as a leader in changing public policy in Montreal, St. Columbia House has changed many lives. It is now an organization on the cutting edge of emerging needs and innovative responses through its environmental programming including community gardening where participants develop their own balcony gardens, and beekeeping programs that allow participants to learn how to interact with bees at the ministry's rooftop beehive. In partnership with United Church Ministries, Montreal City Mission & Montreal Presbytery Justice & Global Ecumenical Relations Committee, St Columbia House has also created the Green Church Project to engage ministries in its ecological practices. Together through our M&S support, we can celebrate with St. Columbia House all the lives that have been transformed & look ahead to innovations for the future.

George Street UC: * This evening at 7:30: The St. John's Choir '*Sing Into Spring*' concert. Tickets are \$20 each. All are welcome. *Wednesday, June 6: The George Street UC annual Flipper Dinner. Take out at 5pm, sit in at 5:30. Tickets are \$25.00, available from 726-8775, or 364-3977.

Summer Student Employment during July and August at the UC Conference Office: if you are interested in being considered, please email or drop off a résumé to unitedchurch@nfld.net by next Thursday, June 7.

Generous Helping Backyard Benefit for Bridges To Hope on Saturday, June 16, 6-11:30pm. For full details on this and their Smart Snack Program Fundraiser, please visit www.bridgestohope.ca or call 722-9225

Observer renewals: Please contact Barry Cutler (newfie_1_ca@yahoo.ca or 364-3450) to renew your subscription for another year; cost is \$25. To begin a subscription, please return this form to the church office by Monday, June 11.

The Observer: I would like to receive a subscription to The United Observer through the St. James United Church-NL Group Plan at the price of \$25 per year. Payment enclosed.

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