

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of  
**Harold Price**  
*(April 5, 1929 ~ January 21, 2017)*  
lovingly remembered by Lillian and family.

## **St. James United Church**

January 19, 2020/Christian Unity Sunday

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Organist:	Amy Dalziel
Choir:	Senior
Choir Director:	Branden Olsen
Usher in Charge:	Michelle Skinner
Greeters and Ushers:	Wayne Skinner, Sophie Skinner, Sabrina, Gracie and Willow Pilgrim

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

### **MUSICAL PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIGHTING THE CANDLE:** (One) We give thanks for the light of the world. Jesus Christ is the Light of the World. The light shines in the darkness. And the darkness has not overcome it.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: We gather to worship together,

**All: followers of Jesus, disciples of Christ,**

One: all children of the One God,

**All: created lovingly by the Source of all life!**

One: We worship in many different denominations,

**All: yet we are all disciples of one teacher,**

One: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

**All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us, among us and through us.**

One: Let us worship together in unity.

**OPENING PRAYER:** (together) Loving God, we pray for Your church around the world, and for all our sisters and brothers in faith, that we may all experience the spirit and



**Minute for Mission:** It's a beautiful spring day in Nova Scotia, and at Tatamagouche Centre people are scrambling through the underbrush looking for special plants—plants to settle a tummy ache or headache, or plants to help ease many of life's daily ills. Under the careful watch of Judy Bernard-Googoo, a Mi'kmaq healer, everyone is learning a few of the basics from centuries of Mi'kmaq traditional healing. Judy learned it from her mother, as did her mother before her. Now, Judy wants to share her knowledge with others. *"We are all one people,"* she says. At Tatamagouche, mending the divide between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people is a high priority. By openly sharing their traditions and learning together about the plants and herbs that are the basis of traditional Mi'kmaq healing, which creates a window into Mi'kmaq culture, they will build bridges of understanding. *"Everything is done with respect. You have to respect the plant, take only what you need, and always give thanks to the Creator for providing these healing medicines,"* explains Judy. *"You have to be careful; there are a lot of plants that can hurt you. It's like going to the drugstore—you have to make sure you choose the right medicine. That's the knowledge I have that I want to share."*

St. James United Church Life and Work, January 19, 2020

**We offer our condolences to Shirley & Peter Barbour** on the passing of Shirley's youngest sister, Carol (Winsor) Stokes on January 13. Her funeral took place last Thursday in Wesleyville.

**After the Service today,** please join us for Coffee Hour, hosted by our Administration & Communications and Stewardship Committees.

**This afternoon at 3: Week of prayer for Christian Unity:** The St John's and Area Council of Churches invites you to the Annual Service to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at the Salvation Army Citadel, Adams Avenue. The theme is *"They showed us unusual kindness"* (Acts 28:2), prepared by the churches of Malta. Speakers are Lieut. Col. Eddie Vincent and Archbishop Peter Hundt.

**NEW TIME!! Monday, January 20: Loose Threads Sewing Studio** Winter Session begins, 2-5pm.

**Wednesday January 22:**

\***Friendship Group** meets for the first time in 2020, and starts with lunch at 1pm.

\***7:30pm: Are you looking to help in some way?** We have many opportunities to exercise your volunteer muscle. Our Lay Visitation Program is one of them. If you would like to help out, please join us at this next meeting, or contact SuAn in the office.

**Next Saturday, January 25:**

\* **4:30pm: Contemporary Worship Service** on the new day at the new time! Please join us for another chance to worship.

\***6pm:** Community Potluck and Games Night in the Auditorium! All ages are welcome! Bring something to share for supper, and stay for fun and board games, or even a game of cards!

**Valentine's Day Fundraiser:** Our 2020 Valentine's Day fund raiser will be held on Friday, February 14. Once again, the evening of fun and fellowship will include a concert followed by a dessert party. There will also be a silent auction along with other special events. If you're interested in volunteering to assist, please contact Paul Walsh at [paul.walsh@cim.ca](mailto:paul.walsh@cim.ca) or at 690-2767.

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