

# St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith  
330 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9  
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The Church is a fellowship of believers who have responded to God's call through Jesus Christ. As members of a Christian community initiated by Christ to proclaim God's love for the whole creation, we are called to:

- (1) Believe in God and God's love made visible in Jesus Christ;
- (2) To participate in a spiritual journey, intentionally proclaiming, celebrating and deepening spiritual consciousness;
- (3) To be good stewards of all that we possess and to care for the Earth which is God's creation;
- (4) To develop meaningful and caring relationships with others as well as with God;
- (5) To empower individuals and groups, in response to the call of Christ, to increase their awareness of the oppressive forces around them, and with God's help, to seek justice for all people.

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This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

*Bethany Danielle Pike*

*January 8, 1988 – May 27, 2008*

Love, Stephen, Susan & Rebecca

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of  
**Donald R. Bartlett**  
a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather  
Love, wife Joy and family

## **St. James United Church**

May 30, 2021/Trinity Sunday

Minister: Rev. Jim Von Riesen  
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM  
Minister Emeritus: Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown  
Music Director: Amy Dalziel  
Senior Choir Director: Shelby Marshall  
Senior Choir Members: Glenda Winsor, Dave Adams, Rebecca-Ann Bartlett  
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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.

### **We Gather as God's People**

#### **MUSICAL PRELUDE**

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY/FIRST PEOPLES**

#### **WELCOME**

#### **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK**

#### **LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:**

Jesus Christ, The Light of the World. May we be drawn to his light and may we shine with his light of love, here and now and carry that light into the world when we leave.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: God beyond all names and images.

**All: We worship you in faith.**

One: God in the Christ One with human face.

**All: We worship you in truth.**

One: God who moves, draws, forms, and enlightens our life.

**All: We worship you in Spirit.**

One: God in relationship, God the beginning and God the end.

**All: You are God.**

#### **OPENING PRAYER: (in unison)**

**As we gather to worship this morning, we pray that we may be open to the presence of the God the Eternal Spirit. As we are aware of the Spirit's presence,**

**may our hearts be filled with praise, our lives filled with blessing, our dreams filled with hope, and our world filled with promise. As those who know a common joy, we pray. Amen**

**HYMN:**         *The Play of the Godhead*                     MV 43

**We Respond to God's Love**

**RECOGNITION OF OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (in unison)

**In these gifts we give evidence of our love for you and your people. In this offering, we give evidence of our partnership with you as we work for a better world. May these our gifts be accepted as offerings given in love, for love. Amen**

**ANTHEM/SOLO/SPECIAL MUSIC**

**We Listen for God's Word**

**HEBREW SCRIPTURE:** Genesis 1:1-5

**RESPONSIVE PSALM:** Psalm 29                     see insert

**HYMN:**         *When we see Language*                     MV 49

**GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 28:16-20

**MEDITATION:**     When 3 = 1

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**We Are Sent Forth to Live our Faith**

**HYMN:**         *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*                     see insert

**COMMISSIONING:**

One: God's glory has filled our hearts!

**All: We will go to empty ourselves for others.**

One: Christ has given himself for us!

**All: We will go to give ourselves to everyone in need.**

One: The Spirit gifts us with new life!

**All: We go to be a blessing to everyone we meet.**

One: Let us go from this this time of worship and live our lives with joy.

**BENEDICTION**

**SUNG BENEDICTION:** Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**