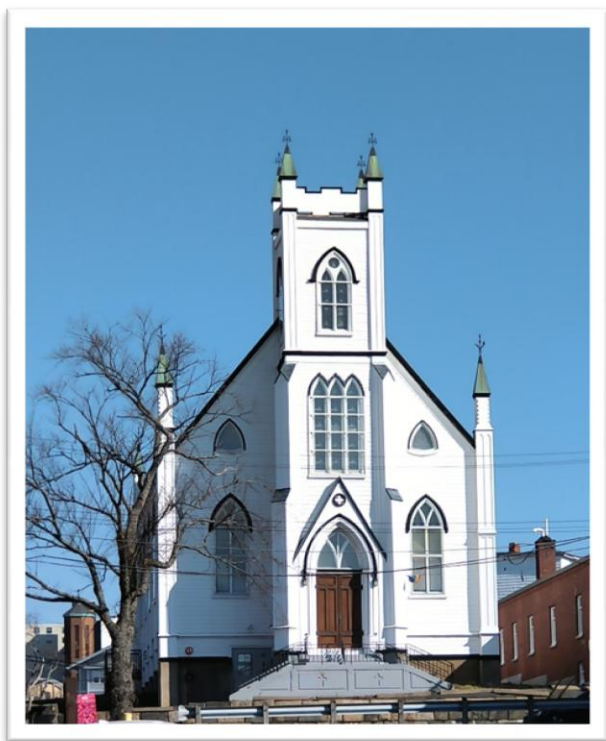


St. James United Church

United by Faith
Strengthened by Friendship
Building a Community of Love and Justice



October 22, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

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▲ Rise in body or in spirit/ Responses in bold

Gathering Music

Welcome & Introductions

CROSSING THE THRESHOLD

Lighting the Christ and Pride Candles

Sung Celebration Song – God of the Sparrow # 229

**God of the sparrow,
God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe?
How does the creature say Praise?**

Call to Worship (Responsive) – Based on Psalm 150

Praise God in the holy temple!
Praise God for mighty deeds!
Praise God for bountiful mercies,
Praise God who meets all our needs!

Praise God with sound of trumpet!
Praise God with lute and harp!
Praise God with timbrel and dancing!
Praise God wherever you are!

Praise God with holy cymbals!
Praise God with strings and with pipes!
Praise God with clash of cymbals!
Praise God with all your might!
Come, let us worship!

▲ Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy # 315

Opening Prayer (Together)

Holy One of Israel, King David worked hard to return the Ark of the Covenant to Israel so that the people could honor you in your house of worship. Receive our praise in this house of worship, as we rejoice in your presence.

Silent Prayer...

**We turn to you,
knowing that you understand us,
forgive us, and love us like a Mother,
and so we pray with confidence and faith,
“Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;
thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Ministry of Music

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD FOR US TODAY

A Time of Wondering

An Ancient Word – 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5 & Psalm 150

Reflection

Reflective Music

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

▲ Hymn – Sing a Happy Hallelujah # 224

Minute for Mission

Sharing Our Gifts

Prayers of the People

THRESHOLD INTO GOD'S WORLD

The Life and Ministry of the Faith Community – Please See Insert

▲ Hymn – God Be With You till We Meet Again # 422

▲ Commissioning & Blessing

▲ Song of Dismissal – You Shall Go Out With Joy! Page 884

**You shall go out with joy.
And be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills,
will break forth before you
There'll be shouts of joy,
and all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands**

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

(Clap, clap)

The trees of the field will clap their hands.

(Clap, clap)

The trees of the field will clap their hands.

(Clap, clap)

While you go out with joy.

Music Takes Us into the World

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and photographs may be taken.
You are also welcome to take pictures and video.*
