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WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome & Introductions

Theme Conversation & Acknowledging the Territory

CROSSING THE THRESHOLD

Lighting the Candles

We Sing – Love Our Neighbour

**Love Our Neighbour
In this world of strife and anger
In this world of doubt and pain.
Jesus joins us on the journey
Daring us to live God's reign.**

**Love our neighbour, love one another.
Love our God, this is the way.
Love abundant, love expanding
Love is more than words to say.**

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Come, all who feel the wind on your face,
who have heard the call of loons across a lake,
who have sat by a fire beneath the stars.

**We come to worship the One
who created the earth and sky,
who gives us beauty, rest, and wonder.**

Come, all who have walked forest trails,
who have watched the sunrise over water,
who have found peace in the silence of creation.

**We come to worship with thankful hearts,
to praise God for creation and community.**

Come, let us worship God,
the One who camps with us in the wilderness
and walks beside us on every trail.

**We lift our voices, open our hearts, and give thanks.
Let us worship God together!**

▲ We Sing – Come In, Come In and Sit Down # 395

Opening Prayer (Together)

**Creator God,
we give thanks for the gift of the earth,
for lakes and forests, trails and campfires,
for crisp morning air and starlit skies.**

**As we gather today, we remember your presence
not just in stained glass and pews,
but in the rustling of trees, the laughter around a fire,
and the quiet moments of awe that come
when we are still and open to your Spirit.**

**Bless this time of worship.
Remind us of the sacredness of creation
and the joy of simple things.
Help us find again the deep peace that comes
from knowing we are loved,
and from sharing that love with others.**

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**

▲ We Sing – This is the Day MV # 122

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

A Time of Wondering

Ancient Words – 1 Corinthians 13: 1-8

Celebrating Camping

Sharing Memories

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

▲ We Sing – It Only Takes a Spark # 289

▲ We Profess – A New Creed Page # 918 (Together)

Invitation to Generosity

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

THRESHOLD INTO GOD'S WORLD

Life and Ministry of the Faith Community

▲ We Sing – Will You Come and Follow Me # 567

▲ Commissioning & Blessing

▲ We Sing – Go Make a Difference MV # 209

**Go make a difference
We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world!
Go make a difference
We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world!**

*Call to Worship/Opening Prayer – Rev. Catherine MacDonald
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Note, our services are livestreamed and photos may be taken. You are welcome to take photos and video.

THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF THE FAITH COMMUNITY

This Week at St James – June 15 - June 21, 2025

Day	What	Where	Time
Sunday	Service	Sanctuary	11 am
Sunday	Soup Lunch	Hall	11:15
Wednesday	Leadership Team	Parlour	7 pm

Stay for our **Soup Lunch** after the service. Proceeds go to Camp Kidston.

On June 22 we will be joined by **Elder Debbie Eisan**, from the Mi'kmaq Friendship Centre.

June 22 is Open Street Dartmouth. We are taking part next Sunday from 12-4 and we need cookies! If you can bring some cookies to give away on Sunday, that would be great! We need help with set-up, clean-up and button-making during the day. Portland Street from Alderney Drive to Prince Albert Road will be CAR FREE. Enjoy the live entertainment, music and lots more.

For **this summer's combined services** with Grace United, we will be open in July. Rev. Judith Perry will lead worship on June 29 and July 6, and Rev. Renee Clark will lead on July 13, 20 and 27.

In The Community

Church in the Afternoon: Bedford United Church offers a short worship service one afternoon a month. Join them this summer on Thursdays June 19, July 17 and August 21, at 1:40 pm beginning with an organ prelude before a 30-minute service, followed by social time in their porch.

Lake City Orchestra & Out Loud Choir - Spring Concert
Thursday 26 June, St James United, 7 pm.



If you would like to contribute to our ministry, there are **offering plates** at the back, or you can e-transfer to stjamesfinancials181@gmail.com. This QR code will take you directly to our Canada Helps page.
Thank you for your generosity!

If you would like to be on our weekly email distribution list, please email st.james.dartmouth@gmail.com

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Food Bank: June 10, 24

Leadership Team
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St. James United Church

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



June 15, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

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