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## **WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

Welcome & Introductions

Acknowledging the Territory

## **CROSSING THE THRESHOLD**

Lighting the Candles

We Sing – Spirit, Open My Heart MV # 79

**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.  
Write your love upon my heart  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, world and deed,  
may my living bring you glory.  
Spirit, open my heart.**

Call to Worship (from Psalm 16)

Our God, You are our place of refuge.  
**We delight in the company of those  
who dedicate themselves to You;**  
You are all we want, LORD, and all we need;  
You hold our future in Your hands.  
**You fill us with delight, LORD;**  
This morning, we join together to worship You.

▲ We Sing – Take Up Your Cross # 561

Opening Prayer (Together)

**Beckoning God,  
as you moved in the lives of Elijah and Elisha,  
as you moved through the lives  
of those first followers of Jesus,  
move in our lives,  
inviting us to journey to unknown territory,  
to listen for Your voice,  
and to speak Your prophetic word  
in a world that does not want to hear.  
Empowered by Your Spirit,  
grant us the courage we need  
to journey, trust, listen, speak,  
and accept Your commission  
to be Your faithful servant people.**

*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 – O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee # 560

## **LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

Ancient Words – 1 Kings 19:19-21;  
Luke 9:51-62

Reflection

Reflective Music

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

▲ We Sing – Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak # 589

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

Mission and Service Story

Invitation to Generosity

Prayers of the People

## **THRESHOLD INTO GOD'S WORLD**

▲ We Sing – Spirit of the Living God # 376

▲ Commissioning & Blessing

▲ We Sing – Go Make a Difference MV # 209 x 2

**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!**



*Note, our services are livestreamed and photos may be taken. You are welcome to take photos and video.*



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## Welcome!

The **Rev. Judith Perry** will lead us in worship today. She will also be with us next Sunday, July 6; the Rev. Renee Clark will lead on July 13, 20 and 27.

We welcome members of Grace United joining us this month for the summer combined services.

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

### Summer Worship Schedule:

**June 29-July 27 at St James, 10 am, joined by Grace.**  
**Aug 3-31 at Grace United, 10am.**

## 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.

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In case of a pastoral care emergency, please call the office at 902-464-8852.

**Food Bank:** July 8, 22; August 5, 19

# St. James United Church

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



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