

(▲ Rise in body or in spirit/Responses in bold)

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome & Introductions

Theme Conversation

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, word and deed,
may my living bring you glory.
Spirit, open my heart.**

Call to Worship (Responsive)

We gather this morning to welcome Jesus
into our hearts and minds.

We come with hearts open, ready to listen and learn.

Some of us come with busy minds,
worried and distracted.

Teach us, Lord, to find peace in your presence.

Some of us come with longing, eager to sit at your feet.

**Help us, Lord, to choose what is better
and not be taken away.**

As we gather, let us seek the balance
of service and contemplation.

O God, draw near to us and guide us in your ways.

▲ We Sing – Come and Find the Quiet Centre # 374

Opening Prayer (Together)

**God, for everything there is a time,
and time is now our most precious commodity.
Our clocks are always running.
From birth to death: during times of joy and sorrow:
work and play: business and pleasure:
speech and silence: worship and church activities:
tick, tock, tick, tock.
Slow us down Lord,
and for now, for these moments,
draw us into Your presence
and simply remind us that only one thing is needful,
that we be still before you
and know that you are God.**

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**

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

A Time of Wondering

Ancient Words – Colossians 1:15-28,
Luke 10:38-42

Reflection – Things Visible and Invisible

Reflective Music

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

▲ We Sing – Open My Eyes That I May See # 371

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

Mission and Service Story

Invitation to Generosity & Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

THRESHOLD INTO GOD'S WORLD

Life and Ministry of the Faith Community

▲ We Sing – Though I May Speak # 372

▲ 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!**

*Call to Worship: Rev. Kristin Steed,
Christ United Methodist Church.*

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



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

Welcome!

The **Rev. Renee Clark** will lead us in Worship today. and on July 27.

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

We welcome members of **Grace United** joining us this month for the summer combined services. Join them on Sundays for a walk around Lake Banook with a stop at Kiwanis Kones. Meet at 7pm at the parking area at the end of Nowlan St. by the bridge over the lock. The event is weather permitting and everyone is welcome!

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 on Thursdays June 19, July 17, August 21, 1:40 pm, beginning with an organ prelude before a 30-minute service, followed by social time in their porch.

Sullivan's Pond Concerts, Sundays at 2:00 pm:

July 20th: Stick & Slide
July 27th: Roxy and the Underground Soul Sound,
August 2nd: The Rock A Barons
August 10th: Blessing Tangban
August 17th: Good Dear Good
August 24th: Brooklyn Blackmore and Friends.
September 1st: Rankin MacInnis

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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



July 20, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

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