

St. James United Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

The light of Christ shines across the sea.

May that light shine in our hearts and in our lives.

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

O Lord of the soaring gull and the powerful sea,
we gather as people who are close to the sea.

It inspires us and gives us our livelihood,
even as, at times, it also bring us tragedy.

Today we give thanks for the bounty of the sea,
and we remember those who have lost their lives upon it.

We ask your blessing on our gathering.

All: Amen.

Hymn: VU 659 “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:22-33

Anthem

Sermon

Reading of the Names

Minute of Silence

Anthem

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn: VU 542

We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be.

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Prayer of Dedication (together)

Loving God, we bring you the gifts of our hands and our hearts. Bless them, we pray, and use them for your work in the world. Amen.

Hymn: “Sambro Beside the Sea” by Jim Duthie

I stand at my door in the long summer night,
the moon floating silver and free,
the blue velvet harbour a rippling wake
of a boat headed out to sea.

Chorus

**This is my haven, and this is my home,
this is where I want to be—
in a house by the harbour with my neighbours around,
in Sambro beside the sea.**

The harbour lights twinkling all around the shore,
magnificent sight to behold,
like sapphires and rubies and emeralds so rare
strung out on a chain of gold. **Chorus**

The joy of the great rocky barrens above
the wind swept and fog shrouded land,
the perfect wild passion so beautifully made
by the touch of the Master's hand. **Chorus**

Benediction

Song for the Journey: VU 675 (verse 1 and refrain)

Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,
when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift or firm remain?

We have an anchor that keeps the soul
steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
fastened to the rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour’s love!

Fishermen lost at sea...

Joseph Gray
Clyde Gray
Wilfred Finck
Percy Miller
Emmanuel Flemming
William Flemming
Basil Flemming
Earl Schnare
Earl Beazley
Amos Henneberry
Dennis Gilkie
Blair Gray
Brian Gray
Jimmie Gray
Lorne Gray
Robin Henneberry
David Gray

Others lost at sea...

Eddy Gilkie
Roland Harnish
Arnold Kirk
Earl Richardson
Vernon Gray
Vernon Watson
Bill Smith
Stevie Scarfe
Kendra Bezanson
Donnie Bezanson
Chris Fiander
Stanley Purcell

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August 9, 2026

10:30 am

Service of the Sea

Announcements

A warm welcome is extended to all who are joining us for our Service of the Sea! We thank those who are taking part.

Blessing of the Fleet: Today at 12:00 noon in Sambro Harbour. Tune in to VHF Radio, Channel 68.

St. James Fish Chowder Supper: Today 3:00-6:00 pm. Includes dessert, roll, tea/coffee. Dine in or Takeout. Adult \$20 (cash only). Children 12 and under are free.

Memorials

In loving memory of Paddy Gray
from
Ellie, Wanda, Danny & Patsy

