

St. James United Church

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Congregation reads / sings the BOLD print

Prelude: “Gospel Medley”

Welcome

The Life & Work of St. James United Church

Birthday/Anniversary Song

**Happy Birthday/Anniversary to you, to Jesus be true.
May God’s richest blessings abide unto you!**

Lighting the Christ Candle

**The light of Christ shines for all to see.
May it shine in our hearts and in our lives.**

Introit: VU 339, v. 1 “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

**When morning gilds the skies, my heart awakening cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
When evening shadows fall, this rings my curfew call:
May Jesus Christ be praised!**

Call to Worship

**Come, people, it is time to worship our God!
Let us sing with enthusiasm, pray with openness,
Listen with anticipation,
And respond with our whole heart.**

Hymn: VU 562 “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult”

Invocation

**Loving God, we give thanks for the gifts of summer: the
warmth of the sun, the refreshment of rain, the beauty that
surrounds us. Bless our time together and guide us in the
way that leads to life. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

Duet: “Jesus Is All the World to Me” (Will L. Thompson)

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 47:9-10 (NKJV)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 103, VU p. 825

Hymn: VU 563 “Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

Gospel Reading: Luke 5:2-11 (NKJV)

Sermon: “Fishing in Deeper Waters”

Solo: “Joy in Serving Jesus” (B.D. Ackley)

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

**Our offering today, and every day, is an act of love.
We give from what we have and as we are able; but
always, we give in hope, faith, and love.**

**Offering Hymn: VU 543, v. 1 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”
We give Thee but Thine own, what e’re the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

Prayer of Dedication

**Loving God, we give you the work of our hands and the
love of our hearts. Bless our gifts and use them for Your
work in the world. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

Closing Hymn: VU 657, vv. 1 & 4 “He Leadeth Me”

Commissioning & Benediction

**Send us out from here, to answer the call, to live and work in
the world as Your faithful disciples. My beloved brothers and
sister, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work
of the Lord, knowing that, in the Lord, your labour is not in vain.
In the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

Extroit: VU 506, v. 1 “Take My Life and Let It Be”

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in
ceaseless praise.**

Postlude

The Life and Work of St. James United Church

Today we welcome long-time friends, **Garth Steeves and Milton Ingalls**, who have travelled from Prince Edward Island to lead our worship. Thank you, Milton and Garth!

Sou'wester Days -- Sunday, August 9th:

St. James Service of the Sea will take place at 10:30 am. Following this, we will gather at 12 noon at the government wharf for the **Blessing of the Fleet**. A delicious **Fish Chowder Supper** will be served from 3-6 pm in the church hall.

Fish Chowder Supper includes Dessert, Roll and Tea/Coffee,
Dine In or Takeout,
Sunday August 9th,
3:00-6:00 PM
Adult: \$20.00 (Cash Only)
Kids 12 and Under Eat Free

Memorials

In Memory of Wayne Nickerson
from
Darrell & Aronda Garrison, Vivian Horton,
Clyde & Theresa Gray, Gus & Barb Reyno,
Victor & Kim Gray

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August 2, 2026
10:30 am

Worship Leaders
Garth Steeves and Milton Ingalls



