

St. James United Church

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The Life and Work of St. James United Church

Birthdays/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 the Risen Christ shines for all to see.
May that light shine in our hearts and in our lives.

Introit (VU 820 refrain)

Make a joyful noise all the earth!
Worship your God with gladness.
Make a joyful noise all the earth.
Come to this place with a song!

Call to Worship

The Good Shepherd calls us.
We hear Jesus calling us by name.
The Good Shepherd leads us.
We follow him because we know his voice.
Come and worship. Let us pray:

Opening Prayer (together)

Great Shepherd, as we gather in your fold we pray that your shepherding will lead us through our worship today, and guide us in the weeks to come. We offer our prayer in the name of the Risen Christ. Amen.

Hymn: VU 158 "Christ Is Alive"

Growing in Faith Time

Hymn: MV 126 "Are You a Shepherd?"

Responsive Psalm 23 (KJV)

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

²**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.**

³He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

⁴**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me. Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.**

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-11

Anthem

Sermon

Hymn: VU 635 "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn (VU 179 refrain)

Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Give thanks to the Risen Christ.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!
Give praise to God's name.

Prayer of Dedication (together)

Loving God, we give you the work of our hands and the love of our hearts. May the sharing of our gifts bring your hope and life to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hymn: VU 657 "He Leadeth Me"

Benediction

Song for the Journey (VU 352 Refrain)

Dance, then, wherever you may be!
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he!

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Lectionary Readings for April 26

Acts 2:42-47 The believers share everything in common.

Psalms 23 God is my shepherd.

1 Peter 2:19-25 Christ's example in suffering.

John 10:1-11 Jesus is the good shepherd.

Board of Management Meeting, May 6th, 7pm

Sunday School has been changed to May 17th

Harbour View Voices Community Choir presents Spring Sing concert, Sunday, May 31, 6:30 pm at St. James United Church, Sambro.

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Good Shepherd Sunday

April 26, 2026

10:30 am

Worship Leaders

Sara Scarfe & John Hennigar-Shuh

