

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

(Please note: * indicates please rise in body or in spirit
VU refers to the red hymn book; MV is the coil bound book)

Music for Meditation

Welcome and Announcements

Invitation

**Holy light, still burning bright,
presence of God that frees us.
Lift the shadows from our soul,
shine through our life, dear Jesus,
shine through our life, dear Jesus.**

- words and music: Jim Strathdee

Opening Prayer

**Radiant One, Light within all life,
for the morning light and its irresistible dawning
we thank you.
For the mystery of your presence in and beyond
all that can be seen, we thank you.
For the endless outpouring of yourself
that we may know your heart's desire
and be guided into ways of peace and joy,
we thank you.
May the light of your love rise within us
and shine upon us this day that we may be strengthened
in body mind and spirit to live with new born hope.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
who draws us even now into your new day. Amen**

*Hymn MV 44 Shadow and Substance

Opening to the Word

**Send out your light, Lord, send your truth,
to be my guide.**

Then let them lead me to the place where you reside.

- words and music: Iona Community (based on Psalm 43)

Scripture reading: Psalm 36: 5-10 [VU 762]

Mark 9: 2- 10

God's Word is Life!

All: Thanks be to God

Send out your light ...

Reflection

*Hymn VU 82 A Light is Gleaming

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering our Gifts

Take, O take me as I am.

Summon out what I shall be.

Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

MV 85 words: John Bell, Graham Maule; music: John Bell

Prayers of the People

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn VU 232 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

*Commissioning and Blessing

* **Arise, be clothed in light.**

Arise, be clothed in light.

Your light has come. Your light has come.

Hallelujah!

VU 886 - Lawrence M Probes (based on Isaiah 60)

James Bay United Church

*Following in the way of Jesus
on the journey inward
and the journey outward*

February 11, 2018

Seeking is never over,
there is always more to find.
But in Epiphany, the Spirit seems to desire for us
a momentary end of seeking.
She brings us to an encounter
with the immense and saving beauty
that burns in Jesus,
the bright beauty destined for us all.
She lights the lamp and leads us:
“Come closer,” she says.
“You’re getting warm.
Now over here.
A little more.
Yes, yes. Now do you see...?”

And if we are attentive, we do perceive it.
We fall on our knees.

-- Mary Luti

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We invite you to come and walk with us in solidarity on February 24th!

The Mustard Seed Street Church is participating in Canada's National Walk-a-thon, the 2018 Coldest Night of the Year to raise \$30,000 to continue serving the hurting, hungry and homeless throughout greater Victoria!

The WALK will be held on **Saturday, February 24, 2018** and provides great opportunity for your congregation or small groups to:

- Walk 2km, 5km or 10km
- Fundraise for The Mustard Seed
- Raise awareness for what it's like for those battling the cold this Winter season!

Registration is simple; join the Mustard Seed team or start a team of your own! This is a great family-friendly event—with a LIVE blues band, hot beverages and community meal served to participants following the walk! Join us at **625 Queens Avenue** and help raise funds! We believe that ***no one has to choose between heating and eating this Winter season.***

Come to the FREE Window Wonderland Workshop at James Bay New Horizons Saturdays February 17 From 10:30a.m.-1:00p.m.

Featuring ideas, advice, demonstrations of materials and techniques including: enlarging images, colour choices, painting on glass, silhouettes, negative space, sticking stuff on windows. Get creative and DO something together. The whole event is about creating connections and building community.

Here is the direct link to register:

<https://windowwanderland.com/eve.../james-bay-victoria-canada/>

Scripture Reader: Sylvia Scott

Ushers & Greeters: Sylvia Scott, Gordon Miller and Sharon Miller

Cup & Conversation: Christine Wilson

Please remember in prayer: Julia, Lee Dennis, Asher and his parents Adam and Anna, Dallas, Judith, Kathleen and Larry Gilbert, Lorraine, Alan, Pat, Leyla, Jeanne Miller, Pam Brown, and Kara Taylor.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9 am – 12 noon

For Pastoral care emergencies please contact:

Rev. Karen Dickey at 250-592-5931.

THIS WEEK AT JAMES BAY UNITED CHURCH

2017 Income Tax receipts are ready for pick-up on the back table in the sanctuary.

Tuesday, February 13

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 5-6:30 pm

Tuesday, February 13 – OUTREACH 9am – 11:30

Location: Front Office Reception

Wednesday, February 14

2 Ash Wednesday Services, each a half hour in length. 12 noon and 5pm in the sanctuary.

Wednesday, February 14

James Bay Children's Chorus 4pm

Friday, February 16

James Bay United Church Thrift Shop

Open 10am – 2pm



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming up THIS TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY:



Join us for a Neighbourhood Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, February 13, 5:00 – 6:30pm

Pancakes – sausage – fruit salad
Dinner is by donation to a James Bay United Church Outreach program or fruit to add to the fruit salad.

This yummy fun event is brought to you by:

JBU Church, Red Barn Market and Discovery Coffee.

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Our **Annual Meeting** this year will take place on **Sunday February 25th**. It will be incorporated into the flow of our service that day. The annual report will be available on-line and in printed form as of next Sunday.

In preparation for this important gathering, **an invitation for you to consider:**

As you think about this past year, what has transpired in your life that you would attribute to your participation within the life of this congregation? It would be a gift to us all if you would share something of that with us in the course of our service on Feb 25th. Please be in touch with Karen to help us plan ahead for that day.

James Bay New Horizons *Valentine Day Tea Dance*

Wednesday, February 14th, 2 – 4pm

Tickets: Members: \$3.00 Non-Members: \$5.00

Red Velvet Cupcakes, Strawberries & Whip Cream with Tea and Coffee being served during intermission.

234 Menzies Street, 250-386-3036

Please add your name to the on-line Church Directory.

This directory is safe and private (not available to the wider web) and helps us keep the church community connected with contact information that is always current. Each individual/family creates and manages their own contact information, profile photo and preferences. You can login to access the directory from your computer or mobile device. It's easy, just click on **join** at the very top of the website. Problems with posting your photo? Email the photo to adamsna@shaw.ca and Nola Adams will add the photo to your profile. We're looking forward to seeing you!

Our minister, Karen Dickey, is available for conversation!

Maybe you wish to know more about James Bay United, or maybe you've been walking around with a question or an idea and it's time to engage it a little more, or perhaps you'd value getting to know Karen and her to know you, *whatever!* ... just know Karen would WELCOME the connection. To set up a time and place, speak to her in person or jot a note kdickey@shaw.ca or phone [250 384 5821](tel:2503845821).

Finding a home for your heart here at James Bay United Church? Some people choose to take the step of becoming a member as a way of outwardly saying YES! to what they are already experiencing inside – a spiritual awakening or re-awakening; a desire to grow in faith, in hope and in love; an eagerness to be part of helping this congregation be home for the hearts of others. If this speaks to you, please speak to Karen to talk more about the why and what and how of membership.