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.

- words and music: Jim Strathdee

Opening Prayer

God of the journey, our source and destiny, it is your way to call us out, to go beyond, to leave behind.

You promise "I will always be with you"
and so you meet us on the way
to our astonishment, to our relief,
to love us into life, and to lead us home.
Bless to us this day your all-sufficient grace ~
in our uncertainty - growing trust;
in our sureness - a humble listening spirit;
in our weariness - a gentling;
in our well worn paths - wakefulness,
and the possibility of a way altogether new.
Bless to us this day your all-sufficient grace
that wherever we are, we may come to rest in you ...
you in us
and we in you. Amen

*Hymn VU 253 Sing Your Joy

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture reading: Acts 12: 1-19

God's Word is Life!

All: Thanks be to God

Alleluia!

MV 54 music: Simei Monteiro

Reflection

Hymn MV 20 God of Still Waiting

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Offering our Gifts

Take me, God, I give to you everything and all I do -- My love, my life is my offering that I give to you.

- words and music: Handt Hanson

Prayers of the People

God, let your mercy be on us as we place our trust in you.

VU 726 - Michael Guimont

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn VU 716 My Life Flows On

*Commissioning and Blessing

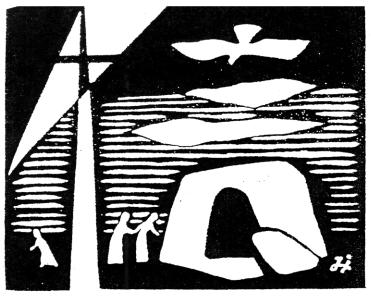
* Amen!

MV 208 music: Donald Patriquin

James Bay United Church

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

6th Sunday of Easter May 6, 2018



Mideri Shibara, Japan

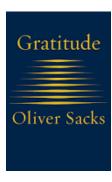
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



New in the JBUC Library this week: GRATITUDE by Oliver Sacks. This book chronicles the author's thoughts, wishes, regrets, and, above all, feelings of love and gratitude even as he faced the cancer that ended his life at 82. Perhaps, he suggests in the book's final pages, he was in the Sabbath of his life, "when one can feel that one's work is done, and one may, in good conscience, rest."

Everyone Welcome to this free community conversation. Esquimalt United Church's Justice Team presents "How a Just Peace in Palestine-Israel can Save Our Planet". You're invited to this free community conversation, with speakers Robert Massoud, the Palestinian founder of Zatoun products, and Rabbi David Mivasair, from Independent Jewish Voices Vancouver. Saturday, May 12th, 1-4 pm. 500 Admirals Road. Phone: 250-384-3031

Floogo Jazz Quartet Featuring Imani Northeast Comes to Jazz Vespers

Jazz Vespers at St. John's welcomes the Floogo Jazz Quartet featuring Imani Northeast on May 6 at 7:00 p.m. This extremely talented group of students from Mt. Douglas and Reynolds high schools wowed the jazz vespers crowd last year, and are playing one more jazz vespers service before graduating and heading out into the world to pursue music careers. This year, Rowan Farintosh (saxophone), Sam Laramee (keyboards), Marvin Thiele (bass), and Sascha Enns (drums), will be joined by the immensely talented Imani Northeast on vocals.

St. Aidan's Book Sale, Saturday, May 26th - 10:00am - 2pm Coffee and Tea available 3703 St. Aidan's St. (Cedar Hill X & Richmond Rd.) www.staidansunited.ca Scripture Reader: Jeremy Williams

Ushers & Greeters: Sylvia Scott and Kathie Putt **Cup & Conversation:** Irene Fraser, Joe Bradley,

and Brenda Montgomery

Please remember in prayer: Sam and family, Dale, Laurie, Ahmed and Leyla, and Kara Anna Mcfadden.

Thank you to Erin Zipper – music fill in for Daniel Brandes today.

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

Tuesday, May 8 - OUTREACH 9am - 11:30

Wednesday, May 9 – Children's Chorus 4:00pm – 5:00pm - Sanctuary

Friday, May 11 - JBUC Thrift Shop Open 10am – 2pm Happy Spring to our wonderful customers! Your donations are gratefully received Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 - 11:30am.

Saturday, May 12 - James Bay United Church Thrift Shop Summer Saturdays from 10 till 1, through till Labour Day. Come and see us! Thanks for spreading the word!