

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

“Bring me a donkey”

Pave the way with branches!

Jesus is coming. Pave the way with branches.

Jesus is coming. Hosanna!

Hosanna. Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hope for the downtrod ...

Land for the landless ...

Debts are forgiven ...

Release for the captives ...

- words and music: Bret Hesla

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture reading: Mark 11: 1-11

God's Word is Life!

All: Thanks be to God

Reflection

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEART

*** Hymn Come and Journey With Me**

Come to the song, come to the dance.

Bring all you are, bring all you be.

Come with your voice, come with your heart.

Come and journey with me.

Come and journey with me.

Come let the sun fill up your eyes.

Take the time to look around,

and love, just love, and walk with each other.

Come and journey with me.

Come and journey with me.

Come and see, come and be.

Be all you are and all you can be,

and leave all behind and calm your mind.

Come and journey with me.

Come and journey with me.

- words and music: David Haas

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 126 Ride On, Ride On**

James Bay United Church

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

**March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday**

He comes on a donkey.
He talks. He heals.
No power, no strategy.
Really, not even a kingdom.

No plan but this:
just love people
and forgive them.
Share a meal.
Wash their feet.
Love them and forgive them.
And trust God with the rest.

That's it. No other power, no plan.
Just love and trust God,
who takes our love
and heals the world with it.

This is Jesus' faith:
Do what you can. Do it with love.
Bless and heal and forgive along the way.
And trust that's good enough for God.
It was good enough for Jesus.

- Steve Garnaas-Holmes



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TUNING INTO YOURSELF A three hour vocal workshop designed to facilitate and create space for each individual to re-discover their voice and their comfort within a circle of singers. We'll start with warm-ups, some basic vocal technique, and sing, sing, sing. Sunday, April 15th, 1:30 - 4 pm in the downstairs hall.
Sliding scale \$20-40.

Contact Louise n'ha Ruby [250-732-5356](tel:250-732-5356)



Peninsula Healing Pathway Practice group meets at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, April 4th at Central Saanich United Church @ Shady Creek, 7180 East Saanich Rd. Please let us know that you are coming by phoning the church office at 250-652-2713, or e-mailing: megarnett@shaw.ca.

Courage Earth with Lisa Gordon

Disciples on the Road to Emmaus a lecture with Diarmuid O'Murchu(lecture) Tuesday April 3, 7 – 8:30 pm ; \$20

Those that followed Jesus closely up to the time of his death were all scattered; those that did remain, Mary Magdalene and her associates, offer us a very different model of discipleship.

Incarnating God upon our Earth with Diarmuid

O'Murchu(Workshop)Wednesday April 4, 9:30 – 3:30, \$60

Based on his book, Incarnation: Enlarged Horizons, Diarmuid O'Murchu offers a refreshing new take on the Christian notion of the Incarnation, exploring new challenges for living more fully as embodied creatures within the body of Creation itself.

Location: First Metropolitan United, [932 Balmoral rd, Victoria](https://www.932balmoralrd.com)
Please do not let the cost deter your attending, ask us about our scholarship.

Location: Friends Meeting House, 1831 Fern St, Victoria

Register: Programs@earthliteracies.org [250-220-4601](tel:250-220-4601) www.earthliteracies.org

Scripture Reader: Judy Krzesowski

Ushers & Greeters: Paul Barker, Pam Warwick and Beverley McLean

Cup & Conversation: Bev Tracey, Marion Handcock and Christine Wilson

Please remember in prayer: Kara Anna Mcfadden, Jeremy, Denise, Joyce, Laurie, 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 9 am – 12 noon

CLOSED Good Friday, March 30.

For Pastoral care emergencies please contact:
Rev. Karen Dickey at 250-592-5931.

THIS WEEK AT JAMES BAY UNITED CHURCH

Tuesday, March 27 – OUTREACH 9am – 11:30

Location: Front Office Reception

Weird Church Book Study continues this week with Chapter 4. Tuesday morning, March 20, 10-11:30 or Wednesday evening, March 21, 7-8:30pm.

Wednesday, March 28

James Bay Children's Chorus 4pm

March 29, Maundy Thursday ~ the night of his arrest
7pm in the lower hall

March 30, Good Friday ~ the day of his trial and execution
11 am in the sanctuary

March 30, Good Friday JBUC Thrift Shop CLOSED

March 31, Holy Saturday ~ bearing the loss
10 am in the sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sunday, April 8, we'll gather after worship over lunch for an important conversation about a proposal for JBUC during the time of Karen's up-coming sabbatical leave. We will also receive the nomination to elect a new Board Chair.

James Bay Children's Chorus that meet every Wednesday in our sanctuary are entering the music festival this year. Their final preparation for that event will be the offering of a short concert "Spring Showcase" for family, friends and our congregation on Wednesday, April 11th at 4:45 pm. Consider coming out in support, AND to receive their thanks for our support.



James Bay United Church is co-hosting March Movie Night with James Bay Coffee and Books. The living room setting is ideal for screening a flick with a small group of friends and makes conversation afterward really easy... know that you are welcome and we start at 6:45 at James Bay Coffee and Books - 143 Menzies. (by donation if you can - but NOT required)

Thursday's Movie: 'LOVING'-- Again a true story, set in Virginia in the 1960's, about the young mixed-race couple who had to drive to another state to get married, and when they returned home were promptly arrested and put in jail. In order to be released, they had to promise that they wouldn't live together. Led to a 'Life' magazine cover-story, and then to the Supreme Court decision striking down of the old laws in the Southern States established to keep the races apart. Made in 2016, 10 award-wins, 16 Academy-Award nominations.

New in the James Bay United Church library this week:

Each of the characters in **SILENT INLET** by Joanna Streetly sees life without seeing each other; thus the story is told in their interweaving voices. Hesquiaht hereditary chief, Simon Lucas, once said: "You only see us with one eye." This novel brings the west coast to life through a range of perspectives within which the reader experiences the raw physicality of people and place: people who are caught in the sea of turbulence, hardship and brilliance that characterizes the west coast, shaped by its history, Indigenous culture, and the forces of nature.

Join us in Celebrating the 90th Birthday of Isabel Clemson

Where: James Bay New Horizons Senior Centre
234 Menzies Street, Victoria

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018
1:30pm to 4:00pm

RSVP to Gaye Clemson at gclemson@att.net
or call Isabel at 250-382-6173 or
isabelclemson@shaw.ca



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.

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.