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

*Hymn VU 229 God of the Sparrow

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture reading: John 11: 1-44

God's Word is Life!

All: Thanks be to God

Alleluia!

MV 54 music: Simei Monteiro

Reflection

Hymn Song of the Body of Christ
Refrain: We come to share our story,
we come to break the bread,
we come to know our rising from the dead.

We come as your people, we come as your own, united with each other, love finds a home.

Refrain ...

We are called to heal the broken, to be hope for the poor, we are called to feed the hungry at our door.

Refrain ...

Bread of life and cup of promise, in this meal we are one. In our dying and our rising, may your kingdom come.

Refrain ...

You will lead and we shall follow, you will be the breath of life,
Living water, we are thirsting for your light.
Refrain ...

We will live and sing your praises. "Alleluia" is our song. May we live in love and peace our whole life long.

- words: David Haas; music: traditional Hawaiian

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

Hear our prayer O God, hear our prayer O God Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn VU 352 I Danced in the Morning

*Commissioning and Blessing

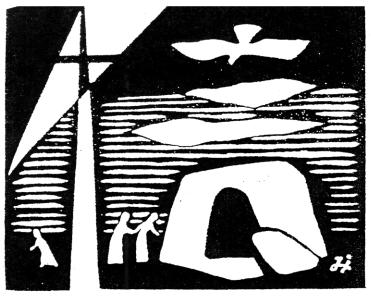
* Amen!

MV 208 music: Donald Patriquin

James Bay United Church

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

4th Sunday of Easter April 22, 2018



Mideri Shibara, Japan

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The Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)

On July 7, 2017 one hundred and twenty-two countries at the United Nations adopted the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW). This is an important first step toward the elimination of nuclear weapons. The TPNW now must be ratified by 50 nations to become international law.

Unfortunately, Canada, under the direction of the United States is resisting signing or ratifying this treaty. To convince them otherwise a parliamentary e-petition has been created for Canadians to sign.

The petition is open for signatures until May 8th, 2018 following which it will be presented in Parliament. Currently there are almost 1000 signatures but many thousands are needed to have an impact on government.

For more information and/or to sign the petition visit: https://petitions.ourcommons.ca/en/Petition/Details?Petitio n=e-1402

The majority of nations recognize the danger and are beginning to do something about it. Canada's ratification of this treaty would have significant influence on many other nations, including our NATO allies, and hasten its entry into law.



With the closure of cold-weather **♠♠ OUTPIACE** shelters and the continuing wet and inclement weather there is a great need for clean blankets and sleeping

bags. Silver "space blankets" are easily packed and carried and help keep out the cold. Boxes and small packages of tissues for people will help people suffering from late winter colds and flu. Donations gratefully accepted at our front reception at 919 Pandora Ave, Victoria. www.ourplacesociety.com

Scripture Reader: Cheryl Caldwell

Ushers & Greeters: Sylvia Scott, Cheryl Caldwell

and Beverley McLean

Cup & Conversation: Bev. Marion, Irene, Pamela,

Brenda and Eunice

Please remember in prayer: Dale, Lori, Ahmed and Leyla, Kara Anna Mcfadden.

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, April 24 - OUTREACH 9am - 11:30 Location: Front Office Reception

Weird Church Book Study continues this week with Tuesday morning, April 24, 10-11:30 or Wednesday evening, April 25, 7-8:30pm

Wednesday, April 25 - Children's Chorus 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Sanctuary

Friday, April 27 - 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.

James Bay United Church Thrift Shop **Summer Saturdays** from 10 till 1, start May 5 and go through till Labour Day. Come and see us! Thanks for spreading the word!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 reawakening; 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.



Powers of the Universe, Part 2, with Gertie Jocksch

6 Tuesdays, April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2018, 10 am – 12 pm \$85 or \$20 drop in Brian Swimme's captivating exploration of the powers coursing through the Universe

and each of us. Don't miss this extraordinary exploration into the vast Universe, its powers and how they relate to each of us. **Location**: Friends Meeting House,1831 Fern St, Victoria

A Brief History of Ken Wilber: A Friendly Exploration of his Integral Philosophy with Layman Pascal

4 Wednesday May 2 - 23 , 7 - 9 pm/ \$75 or \$20 drop in

The well-known American philosopher Ken Wilber is a prolific intellectual powerhouse who has transformed our understanding of sacred evolutionary philosophy. Local integral thinker Layman Pascal will take us on a friendly sojourn through the basic modules of Integral Philosophy.

Location: Friends Meeting House,1831 Fern St, Victoria 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 www.earthliteracies.org

The Future of Group Intelligence with Layman Pascal

Join Layman Pascal for a deep dive into the history and astonishing evolutionary potential of collective consciousness, emergent voting systems, and the patterns of our social organization.

Date: Monday, May 14, 2018 Time: 10am – 2pm

\$35 Please bring lunch

Refreshment are served. Location: Friends Meeting House, 1831 Fern Street, Victoria.

Do not let cost deter your attending, please call us.

Register: 250-220-4601

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St. Andrew's Cathedral Prayer and Music in the style of TAIZE

Fridays, May 18 and June 15 Doors open at 5:30pm Service at 6:00 pm Everyone Welcome Sponsored by the Downtown Churches Association