### **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 VU p. 907

\*Hymn MV 20 God of Still Waiting

### SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture reading: Acts 8: 26 - 40

God's Word is Life!

All: Thanks be to God

Hallelujah (Leonard Cohen)
James Bay Children's Choir
with guest guitarist Nathan Malzon

Reflection – Beverley McLean

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

Jubilate Deo! (Michael Praetorius)
James Bay Children's Choir
with guest guitarist Nathan Malzon

### 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 VU p. 913

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 567 Will you come and follow me?

\*Commissioning and Blessing

\* Amen!

MV 208 music: Donald Patriquin

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# **James Bay United Church**

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

5th Sunday of Easter April 29, 2018



Midori Shibara, Japan

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**James Bay Plant Swap and Sale** Saturday, May 5 - 10:00am to 12:00 noon Irving Park, corner of Menzies and Michigan.

For all James Bay gardeners! Bring your plants (outdoor and indoor), saved seeds, tools pots, garden paraphernalia to swap or sell. Very informal, short and fun event! A project of the James Bay Neighbourhood Association. Free event.

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.

## 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

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: Sylvia Scott

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

Linda Clegg and Brenda Montgomery

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

Staff Notes: Karen is away on Study Leave this weekend attending the Inhabit Conference in Seattle, with its focus on the church in the neighbourhood.

Thanks to Duncan and Beverley McLean and Judy Kzresowski for their leadership this morning.

# **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 1 - OUTREACH 9am - 11:30

Weird Church Book Potluck and Discussion Wednesday evening, May 2, 5:30pm

Wednesday, May 2 - Children's Chorus 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Sanctuary

Friday, May 4 - 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 5 - James Bay United Church Thrift Shop Summer Saturdays from 10 till 1, **begin TODAY** and go through till Labour Day. Come and see us! Thanks for spreading the word!