

St James United Church
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SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021
10:30 am

Pride Sunday
Second Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome!
*We are glad you have joined us in worship.
May you feel the warmth of God's presence.*

Our Mission:
To live God's love through our actions: Seek, Serve, Challenge.

WE GATHER AND APPROACH GOD
*Bold indicates words said by All

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision (arr. Joel Raney)
J.-C. Coolen, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Head

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

There once was someone, who said... and he said,
"I am the Light of the World."

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Cindy Bourgeois

Creating God - God beyond Gender,
who makes no mistakes,
 who surprises us always,
who molded the first person both male and female,
 who molded the first non-gendered human
who loves all Creation.

Help us love the diversity of your creation.
Help us accept all varieties of gender in ourselves and in others.
Help us accept all sexualities as expressions of your Love.

Help us celebrate those who are different from us and those who are the same,
so that we may learn to love each other as you love us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, both human and divine. Amen.

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OPENING HYMN

God of Many Faces
 Tune: SLANE VU 642

Cantor: Nicholas Gryniewski, Baritone Choral Lead / Soloist Scholar
 Piano: J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister

- 1 God of many faces, we offer our praise,
 singing your glory through all of our days.
 Hear ever growing voices, once fragile, now strong,
 carrying melodies in expansive new songs.

- 2 God of many genders, our world reflects you,
 sunrise and sunset uniting our hues,
 woven into a city with jewels of all shades,
 houses of ruby and walls rowed with jade.

- 3 God of many names, we invite you to show
us the new names that reflect our true souls.
Breathe with your holy spirit to give us the Word
that will indwell dry bones, granting new life once heard.
- 4 God of many bodies, abide within ours,
shifting more each day through time and through scars.
Come sanctify our bodies, all fashioned by you,
holier every day, still becoming more true.

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A TIME OF WONDER

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE 2 Samuel 1.1, 17-27

GREEK SCRIPTURE Mark 5.21-24, 35-43

MUSICAL OFFERING *I Am What I Am* (Jerry Herman)
Nicholas Gryniewski, baritone
J.-C. Coolen, piano

SERMON *The Table At Which We'd Like To Sit* Rev. Maya Douglas

RESPONDING TO GOD

SERMON HYMN *For Everyone Born* *v. 1, 2, 3, 5*
Tune: FOR EVERYONE BORN
(cantor vs 1, congregation+cantor vs 1, 2, 3, 5)
Cantor: Nicholas Gryniewski, Baritone Choral Lead/Soloist Scholar
Piano: J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister

- 1 For everyone born, a place at the table,

for everyone born, clean water and bread,
 a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
 for everyone born, a star overhead.

*Refrain: And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy,
 compassion and peace:
 yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice,
 justice and joy.*

- 2 For woman and man, a place at the table,
 revising the roles, deciding the share,
 with wisdom and grace dividing the power,
 for woman and man, a system that's fair. *Refrain*
- 3 For young and for old, a place at the table,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
 for young and for old, the right to belong. *Refrain*
- 5 For everyone born, a place at the table,
 to live without fear, and simply to be,
 to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
 for everyone born, the right to be free. *Refrain*

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

Sing a New World Into Being

Tune: NETTLETON VU 559

Cantor: Nicholas Gryniewski, Baritone Choral Lead / Soloist Scholar
 Piano: J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister

- 1 Sing a new world into being.
Sound a bold and hopeful theme.
Find a tune for silent yearnings.
Lend a voice and dare to dream:
 dream a church where all who worship
 find their lives and loves belong.
Sing a new world into being.
Sing as Christ inspires your song!

- 2 Sing a new world into being
where each gender, class, and race
brings its rainbow gifts and colors
to God's limitless embrace;
 where the lines that once divided
 form instead the ties that bind.
Sing a new world into being:
risk transforming heart and mind!

- 3 Sing a new world into being
where the homeless find a home,
where no children ever hunger
but are filled with God's shalom;
 where all people work for justice,
 where all hate and vengeance cease.
Sing a new world into being:
raise the harmonies of peace.

- 4 Sing a new world into being.
Join the ancient prophets' cry
for a time of health and plenty
when all tears have been wiped dry;
 when compassion flows like waters,
 pouring balm for all who grieve.
Sing a new world into being:
live the promise you believe!

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BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING *Prayer of Dedication* (Don Besig/Nancy Price) Cantor: Nicholas Gryniewski, Baritone Choral Lead/Soloist Scholar
 Descant: Anna Wojcik, Soprano Choral Lead/Soloist
 Piano: J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister

Go with us, Lord, as now we depart,
 Calming the fears that trouble each heart.
 Keep us all in your grace
 Until we come, again, to this place.

Now we will walk in peace with the Lord,
 Living in faith and teaching His word.
 Share His love every day,
 For He has surely shown us the way! Amen.

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POSTLUDE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (arr. Matt Limbaugh)
 J.-C. Coolen, piano

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Giving leadership in today's service:
 J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister
 Rev. Maya Douglas, Minister of Pastoral Care, Word and Sacrament
 Nicholas Gryniewski, Baritone Choral Lead/Soloist Scholar
 David Head, Presider
 Anna Wojcik, Soprano Choral Lead/Soloist
 We are also thankful for those serving as tech support:
 Gord Burrell, Don Munday, Karen Munday, Andrew Paley.

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There will be a Congregational Meeting online, on Wednesday, June 16 at 7:30 pm. The purposes of the meeting are to accept recommendations on changing the church website and to accept the 2019 and 2020 Financial Statements.

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Communion Outreach Offering: Our Communion Outreach Offering will go to support services provided by The Scott Mission. The Scott Mission, 502 Spadina Ave, has been able to remain open during COVID-19, continuing to provide food bank services, hot meals, and access to their clothing bank. When St James' Food Basket is closed clients use The Mission's clothing bank and food bank.

There will be an opportunity to donate to The Mission until June 13th. Please send your donations to St. James United Church, 400 Burnhamthorpe Rd., Etobicoke, ON, M9B 2A8 and mark your envelope "for The Scott Mission," OR donate on-line at our website <www.stjamesunitedchurch.com>. Please add "for The Scott Mission" under "special instructions to the seller". Thank you so much.

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Worship Service Coffee Hour: To join Rev. Maya after worship **at 11:45 a.m.** on Sundays following the service over Zoom in lieu of "meet and greet", please use one of the following options.:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81414121724?pwd=S1lJakFPSnM5UEx1UWVUNHI5MktSUT09Using>

Meeting ID: 814 1412 1724

Passcode: 555637

OR

If you wish to phone in, please use the following information. Dial by your location:
+1 647 558 0588 Canada +1 647 374 4685 Canada

Meeting ID: 814 1412 1724 Passcode: 555637

Sunday School every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom. If you have a child/grandchild from JK to Grade 9 who would like to participate please contact Karen at karen_forgrave@hotmail.com so that she can be sure that you are included in the mailing list, and she can send you the Zoom Link.

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Our Bible Study group meets Mondays via Zoom at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. The first and third Monday evening of every month, Bible Study will be for youth and young adults. The second and fourth Monday evening of every month, Bible Study will be for adults. We will read through the four lectionary readings for the week and discuss each one as well as how they may impact our lives and the world. Newcomers are always welcome! Please use the same Zoom information for both 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87231297360?pwd=NzVubjZnbjZsUEdmRG84MzFPaTZlQT09>

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The SJUC Junior & Youth Choir and Vocal Academy is wrapping up for the year. If you are between 5-17 years old and would like to join us in the Fall, please contact Choir Director, Wendy Simone [more information.](mailto:wcsimone@gmail.com)

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Senior Choir rehearsals are virtually over Zoom on alternate Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. To participate in the Senior Choir, and for Zoom rehearsal meeting information, please contact J.-C. Coolen, Music Minister, at (905) 683-5757 or jcoolen@sympatico.ca.

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Choral Leads/Soloists' Concert Connection: Our fantastic St James Choral Leads/Soloists are performing in a variety of settings in the wider community. Below, please find information on their upcoming performances. We invite you to take in these excellent performances by our Choral Leads/Soloists and their musical colleagues!

Archived Concert list:

Anna Wojcik, soprano
 End-of-year Recital
 Glenn Gould School
 YouTube Premiere
 Saturday, May 29, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.
<https://youtu.be/4fQBJduqZAA>

Archived Concert list:

Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 3:00 pm (archive available online afterward)

Glenn Gould School Vocal Showcase Concert

featuring Anna Wojcik, St James' Soprano Choral Lead/Soloist

Admission: Free

<https://www.royalconservatory.live/videos/the-glenn-gould-school-vocal-showcase>

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Collier Street United Church's Social Action Task Force, the same people who held the Lenten Book Study, invites us to hear **Kelly Brownbill** speak on Indigenous '**Land Acknowledgements - Why are we doing them?**' on **Tuesday June 15 at 7 pm**. This will be a virtual event. Please join Rev. Maya in registering at:

<http://collierunitedjune15.eventbrite.com/>

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FUTURE SERVICES:

June 13, 2021 is the Children's/Intergenerational Service. The Sunday School will lead the service and we will honour Karen Forgrave for her amazing leadership during covid!

June 20, 2021 is Fathers' Day and Indigenous Sunday. Our guest preacher will be the Rev. Evan Swance-Smith from the Toronto Urban Native Ministry.

There will be no live streamed service on June 27, 2021. We will share links for services elsewhere.

St. James UC will be hosting joint summer services on **July 4, July 11, and July 18 at 10:30 a.m.** Please join us and invite your friends to check us out online!

Richview UC will host July 25th to August 8th, and Bloordale UC will host August 15th to August 29th.

All summer services will be online with the hopes that we may return to in-person worship in the fall.