

# Order of Service

## St. James United Church

10:30 am, SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

*Trinity Sunday*

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.

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### GATHERING

*Bold indicates words said by All*

*❖ Indicates when one may stand in body or spirit*

<b>PRELUDE</b>	Spiritual (by Ralph DeCoursey)	Adrian Marchuk - piano
<b>GATHERING SONG</b>	Spirit, Open My Heart	MV 79
<b>LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</b>		
<b>WELCOME &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		Alex Grant-Henderson
<b>CHRIST CANDLE LIGHTING</b>		
<b>INVITATION TO WORSHIP</b>		
<b>OPENING PRAYER</b>		
<b>❖ GATHERING HYMN</b>	Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty	VU 315
<b>PASSING OF THE PEACE</b>	This Is the Day	VU 412 v.1
<b>TIME WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATION</b>		
<b>THE PRAYER OF JESUS (SUNG)</b>		
<b>CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL</b>	This Little Light of Mine	

## DISCERNING

### SCRIPTURE READING

Alex Grant-Henderson

### ANTHEM

You'll Never Walk Alone  
arranged by William Stickles

Senior Choir

*This Anthem has been donated to the Chancel Choir In Gratitude and Honour of  
volunteers Don and Karen Munday, Gord Burrell, and Rod Lord  
who created, produced, filmed, and edited virtual, audio-visual Sunday services  
during the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown beginning March 20, 2020  
by the St. James congregation*

### FAITH TALK

"Our Tradition's Wisdom of Maiden, Mother, Crone"

Rev. Dr. Michelle Voss

## RESPONDING

### ❖HYMN

Long before the Night

VU 282

### CALL FOR OFFERING

### SONG OF THANKS

There Was A Child In Galilee  
words and music by Janet Gadeski

Phil Rogalsky  
and Kit Cooney

### ❖OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

VU 541

### ❖OFFERTORY PRAYER

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### SUNG RESPONSE

Where Two or Three Are Gathered

MV 14

### ❖CLOSING HYMN

My Soul Cries Out

MV 120

## SCATTERING

### ❖BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

### ❖SUNG BENEDICTION

Prayer Of Dedication

### POSTLUDE

Alleluya  
Festal Postlude on the tune  
"LASST UNS ERFREUEN"  
by William Faulkes

Adrian Marchuk - organ

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Giving leadership in today's service:  
Guest Minister: Rev. Dr. Michelle Voss  
Presider: Alex Grant-Henderson  
Music Director: Adrian Marchuk  
St. James Senior Choir  
Section Leads/Soloists: Phil Rogalsky, Kit Cooney, Gabe Vaillant  
Reader: Alex Grant-Henderson  
Sunday School Director: Karen Forgrave  
Tech Support: Trinity Reid, Mary Paras  
Greeter: Nancy Cormier  
Ushers: Randy Wilson (Captain), Allister Graham, Jim Cormier, Nancy Cormier  
Hospitality: Joanne Atkins (L), Lila Bowen, Christine Paley, Eileen McAuley

## **NEXT SERVICES:**

**Sunday, June 7, 2026, 10:30 AM** – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost. Pride Sunday.  
Environment Sunday. Union Sunday.

**Sunday, June 14, 2026, 10:30 AM** – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost. Picnic Sunday.

**Sunday, June 21, 2026, 10:30 AM** – 4th Sunday after Pentecost.  
National Indigenous Peoples Day.  
Indigenous Day of Prayer.

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## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each week, the Shining Waters Regional Council asks that we pray for each other's congregations in support of our ministries: North Runnymede United Church, Toronto; Beach United Church, Toronto; North York Korean United Church, Toronto; Birchcliff Bluffs United Church, Scarborough.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We welcome back this morning, Rev. Dr. Michelle Voss.** The Rev. Dr. Michelle Voss is an ordained minister in the United Church of Canada. Michelle's ministry setting is Emmanuel College in the Toronto School of Theology, where she is professor of theology and was principal from 2018-2021. She is currently working on a book, *Becoming Intercultural: A Developmental Framework for Churches and Interfaith Communities*, for which she received the McGeachy Senior Scholarship from The United Church of Canada Foundation.

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**The Celebration of Life for Marjorie Taft** will be held in west Etobicoke from 3-6 pm on Sunday June 21 (which would have been Marjorie's 99th birthday). Her daughter Beverly asks that those who'd like to attend, please send an email to Beverly <beverlytaft@gmail.com> or call her at 647-393-8238 by June 12 for the address and details. Many thanks to the St. James community for their kindness to the Taft Family always. [www.beverlytaft.com](http://www.beverlytaft.com) 647-393-8238

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**Richard and Alyssa Lindsay will be hosting A Get-Together For Shirley Kozel - Open House & Garden:** Sunday July 26, 2026, 1-4 PM, at 23 Shaver Ave S, Etobicoke, ON. RSVP: <https://evite.me/3N5kgHkGcY> (not strictly required, but helps planning) Everyone is invited to join for an afternoon of stories, games, laughter, refreshments and gratitude to remember and celebrate Shirley's life and love. They encourage everyone to wear bright colours and to bring something (a memory, photo, object, snack, song, game etc.) that reminds you of Shirley.

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**Our Outreach Offering** will go to Sparrow Lake Camp. At a time when our young people face growing pressures from social media and declining mental health – camp gives kids an opportunity to learn to like themselves. Camp helps them to believe they can face the challenges that await them in a way no longer provided by much of their daily lives - through real, person-to-person connection and community. At Sparrow Lake Camp they are committed to being that place for generations to come. Should you wish to support Sparrow Lake Camp, please place your donation in a green and white Outreach Offering envelope. They are located on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Thank you for your support!

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**There will be a short Congregational Meeting** after church on Sunday, June 7. All members and adherents are invited to attend. The purposes of the meeting are to accept the financial review provided by our auditor and to approve the proposed changes to our Constitution.

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**We are pleased to announce that hands on Reiki** is available by donation on Monday afternoons from 1-3 pm, as well as Tuesday nights at 7 pm. Sign-up sheets are in the binder in the Well-Being waiting room or call the office at 416-622-4113 and book with Matty.

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**Our June Euchre dates are:** Tuesday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 23 at 1:30 pm. Cost is \$5. All are welcome.

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**Yoga:** Wednesdays from 11am - 12noon, \$25/class for drop in.

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**Yoga Saturdays:** Drop in cost is \$25/class. Yogis of all ability or experience are welcome! Please contact Joyce Wilson at [joy.wil31@gmail.com](mailto:joy.wil31@gmail.com) if you would like more information.

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**If you are in need of a wheelchair** please let the office know at 416-622-4113, ext. 0, or by email at [stjames\\_uc@rogers.com](mailto:stjames_uc@rogers.com)

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**Stewardship Second:** Loving God and neighbour means giving of our entire selves: our time, our energy, and our money.