

**St. James Presbyterian Church**  
**Online Service of Worship**  
**June 21, 2020**

**GATHERING**

WELCOME

INTROIT

*Wesley*

Love Divine All Loves Excelling  
*Wendy Jones*

CALL TO WORSHIP

***All: God calls us to worship,***

One: And we come, some with laughter and songs of joy.

***All: God calls us to worship,***

One: And we come, some with hearts heavy with grief.

***All: God calls us to worship,***

One: And we come, some with distraction or exhaustion.

***All: God calls us to worship,***

One: And we come, some with eagerness and enthusiasm.

***All: God calls us to worship,***

One: And we come, some with stress, loneliness, or depression.

***All: As God's dearly loved children, we bring all our joy and pain, hurt and hope into this place of Spirit-given grace, love, and hope.***

HYMN #3

*Olearius*

Comfort, Comfort, You My People

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Lord, sometimes our lives have such little focus: we have so much to do; we possess so much stuff; we're driven by the need for still more—and it easily seems to control us. We're sorry, Lord, for how distracted we've become and for losing our way without even realizing it. Forgive us and help us to know that you are the only one we need.***

(silent confession of sin)

Lord, hear our prayers. ***Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF PEACE:

One: Peace of Christ be with you.

***All: And also with you.***

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### KIDS CHAT

#### Prayer of Illumination

*Eternal God, in the reading of the Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.*

### FIRST READING

*Old Testament*

Psalm 11

### RESPONSE:

One: The Word of the Lord.  
*All: Thanks be to God.*

### MUSICAL MEDITATION

*Carter*

Lord of the Dance  
*Wendy Jones*

### SECOND "READING" (Cartoon Storytelling)

*New Testament*

Luke 15:1-10

### SERMON

"Found IT!!"  
*Debby Madden*

## RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

### HYMN #298

*Faber*

There is a Wideness in God's Mercy

### AFFIRMATION ON FAITH

*From A Brief Statement of Faith*

*We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.*

*In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"*

*With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.  
Amen.*

OFFERING

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Lord, you give us everything that is good— our homes, our food, our families,  
and even our lives. All that we own and all that we are belong to you. Since you  
give us so much, we thank you by sharing our time, talents, and right now our  
money with others in need. Use these gifts to show your love to people  
throughout our world in Jesus' name. Amen.*

HYMN #540

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

*Williams*

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

HYMN #587

AMEN!