

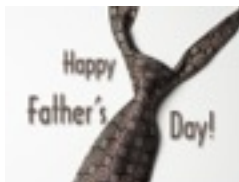
# CITY VIEW UNITED CHURCH

## OUR MISSION:

**To be a welcoming and inclusive Christian community,  
growing spiritually and caring for those in need.**

**(LARGE PRINT BULLETINS available from Ushers and  
FM Hearing Assistance from the Sound Operator)**

\* Congregation, please stand in body or spirit



## Abraham's Clan

### Service of Worship for June 18, 2017

#### WE GATHER

PRELUDE: ***Choral Prelude,***  
by Heinrich von Herzogenberg (1843 – 1900)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAYS  
***Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you,  
God bless you and keep you the coming year through.***

WE LIGHT THE CHRIST CANDLE

\* OPENING THE BIBLE

#### WE WORSHIP

\* INTROIT: ***Sing a Happy Hallelujah***

**VU # 224**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP:

God made a covenant with Abraham

***A promise that Abraham would be the father of nations.***

God said his family tree would yield many descendants.

***So that Abraham and his family could be a blessing.***

Jesus made a covenant with his disciples.

***The Spirit would make them teachers of all nations.***  
Spreading the Gospel would yield generations of disciples.  
***So that we would be a blessing.***  
Let us bless one another with the joy of worship.  
***Let us bless the nations with our gifts and prayers.***

OPENING PRAYER

JESUS' PRAYER

THEME TIME: *Introduction to Abraham's Clan Series*

\* MUSIC VIDEO: *Father Abraham*

WE DISCERN GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Genesis 18: 1-15 (page 18)  
***Sarah laughs.***

Romans 5: 1-8 (page 1354)  
***Justified by faith.***

CHOIR ANTHEM: ***Give Thanks***, by John F. Wilson

MESSAGE: The Gift of Joy in Families

\* HYMN: ***Give To Us Laughter*** VU # 624

WE RESPOND

THE LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH

THE OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY: ***Trio***, by Jacques Boyvin (1650 – 1706)

\* OFFERTORY HYMN:  
***Grant Us, God, the Grace*** VU #540

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER: *(in unison)*  
***For the joy of being church family together,***

*for the guidance to help us be caring members of our individual families, and for the opportunity to be a blessing to our global family we make our offering with gratitude. Amen.*

COMMUNITY PRAYER

\* CLOSING HYMN:

*God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness*

VU # 260

\* COMMISSIONING (in unison)

*Summer awaits. And memories are waiting to be made.  
Let us give thanks continuously  
to the Creator of families and the source of joy.*

\* BENEDICTION

\* AMEN

VU # 967

POSTLUDE: *Improvisation*

## Our Life and Work

In today's service:

**Minister:** Rev. Dr. Karen  
**Organist:** Jiri Hlavacek  
**Head Ushers:** Bill Boone;  
**Ushers:** Marilyn MacLeod and Eleanor Henderson  
**Assisting:** Karl Tibelius; **Sound Operator:** Jim Watchorn



**A warm welcome** is extended to all who have gathered here this morning. If this is your first time worshipping in our faith community, please sign the guest book at the back of the Sanctuary and introduce yourself to an Usher.



**Thanks to Michele Suito and members of the Congregational Relations Committee** for all their work in pulling together another successful picnic. **A special thanks is also extended to Steven Bergman for organizing the games** – a good time was had by all and the weather co-operated!

**During the summer months, please come and join us in the Annex for lemonade and conversation, following our morning worship. Our servers this morning are Larry Dobson and friends - thank-you!**



**During the summer months, we are looking for volunteers who would be willing to greet and usher; candlelighter/scripture readers and volunteers to serve lemonade. If you would like to sign-up for any of these positions, please see our Volunteer Sign-up Board in the Upper Annex.**

## **Children's Activity Corner**

We welcome children, toddlers and infants to worship during the summer. Our Sunday School teachers are taking a break, so we have set-up an activity table near the front of the sanctuary, on the west side by the stain glass windows, with colouring and puzzle pages and some books in case



children would like to make use of them during the service. The Nursery will be open for parents with very young children but it will not be staffed by our volunteers until September.



*Abraham's Clan*

**This summer meet Abraham and Sarah and their clan through our summer sermon series; Isaac and Rebekah, Hagar and Ishmael, brothers Jacob and Esau, and Jacob's son Joseph with partner**

Rachel. From the twists and turns of the story of this famous family let us see what can be learned about family and faith today.



On June 20<sup>th</sup>, the **Knitting Group** will be putting their knitting needles down for a well-deserved break during the summer months and **will reconvene in September.**

If you would like to have yarn to knit for the bazaar over the summer, please come and see the group Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> OR see Liz Mitchell in the Friendship Room after morning worship.

**Jam season is here.** If you have Mason jars you don't need, you can bring them to our kitchen. The various sizes would all be appreciated: 125 ml, 250 ml, and 500 ml.



**Looking ahead to our Fall Bazaar,** soup cans of different sizes would also be appreciated: 10 oz soup cans, 19 oz beans or fruit cans, and 28 oz tomato cans. Thank you — Joan Dobson

## Lost and Found

Have a look at these various items. If you recognize something that's yours please come and pick it up. **At the end of June everything will be disposed of in some way or another.** Check our [www.cityviewunited.org](http://www.cityviewunited.org) for more pictures.



**FOOD REQUEST: CANNED MEAT AND FISH**  
**Outreach Financial Donations – June: Caldwell Family Centre**

# Camp Awesome

# July 10-14

Registration forms on Welcome Table and  
[www.cityviewunited.org](http://www.cityviewunited.org).



Jennifer Landry will be looking for baked goods of cookies, muffins and rice krispie squares – and – volunteers every day between the hours of 8-10am and 3-5pm to supervise the before and after care. Please contact Jennifer 613-228-8641 or [hjoplandry@hotmail.com](mailto:hjoplandry@hotmail.com)

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## Meetings

Mon. June 19 – Knitting Group – Sunshine Room – 1:00 pm

Tues. June 20 – Phoebe’s year-end dinner @ Marlene’s/6:00 pm

Thurs. June 22 – Choir Practice – Sanctuary – 7:30 pm

July 10-14<sup>th</sup> – CAMP AWESOME – City View United Church

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