

# ST. JAMES VISITOR

# Thanksgiving Greetings During this Season of Creation in our Liturgical Year!

St. James United Church has so much "abundance" to be thankful for as we move into the season of harvest. We have experienced a beautiful summer, and many of us have enjoyed spending time with family and friends at cottages, in parks and hosting backyard barbecues.

It was a busy summer at our church as we hosted young people from across Canada for the GO Project, while a number of our young people participated in a GO Project in Toronto. The sound of music and laughter filled our auditorium during a couple of music camps held at the church this summer and for several weeks when the children and staff of the Hillcrest Daycare Center used the auditorium while renovations were being carried out on our Paton Street property. Our shingling project at the church has been completed, and we are grateful that the hammering has finally stopped. We are thankful that the leaks have been repaired, and now comes the challenging work of meeting our financial obligation for these two projects.

It is hard to believe that it was a year ago on September 18 that I was appointed by St. James congregation and the East District to be your senior minister until June 30, 2012, or such time that the search was completed and a new minister called. As we know, that search process was unsuccessful, and a new committee has been selected and mandated by the congregation to continue the search for a full-time senior minister. In the interim, I have accepted a second appointment to the position and look forward to continuing my ministry with the congregation of St. James and providing leadership with our staff team.

One of the issues raised by the East District ministerial representative at the June congregational meeting concerned the direction given that only full members of a congregation are eligible to vote on spiritual matters, including the call of a minister, as outlined in the 2010 Manual of The United Church of Canada. This information has caused a lot of concern for many adherents and members of our congregation. To address these concerns, we will be providing opportunity for people to discuss this matter and for any adherents and anyone having difficulty transferring their membership, to affirm their faith and become full members of St. James United Church and the United Church of Canada. We need to experience invitation as an opportunity to affirm our baptism and name our desire to be a follower of Jesus and a member of the Christian church.

We are thankful for the gifted and talented people in our congregation who have come forward to provide leadership in the vacant positions on our Church Council and other ministries within our congregation. Hopefully we will have people come forward during this season of Thanksgiving to chair our Stewardship committee and give some direction to our Archives.

We move forward with hope and count our many blessings on this Thanksgiving!

Rev. Bill Bartlett

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Our roof has been reshingled
- We have a MESSY CHURCH!!!
- We have a very active youth church
- We would like a chair for the Stewardship Committee
- We are seeking a volunteer to take care of our Archives
- Our search for a new full-time minister continues
- Our choirs always welcome new members



# Go Project 2012! By Rebecca Pike



This summer thirteen of St. James' youth took part in the GO Project, travelling to Islington United in Toronto. Twelve of the youth went as a group, and one went to the early GO Project. As in the past two years, the youth and their leaders experienced a life changing journey. The trip started with the group

leaving St. John's early on Sunday morning. Arriving in Toronto as a team, the youth and leaders took the subway and bus to the Toronto Zoo, spent the day exploring and having some much needed quality time together. Once back at Islington United the group met the other youth and leaders who would become their community and

support for the next ten days. From there the adventure began! Working at mission sites which included various food banks, a community centre that was newly built in Regent Park, the L'Arche community, seniors resource center; running a free children's program; doing a garbage clean up in a local park and tending various community gardens. One of the most enjoyed sites this year was L'Arche, which is an international organization of faith-based communities creating homes and day programs with people who have developmental disabilities. Each group visited L'Arche and got to experience an entire day taking part in their daily programs and working with the participants of the program and









getting to find the joy in the simple parts of life again. It wasn't all work though. There was free time and a trip to Centre Island to bond with new and old friends and fun evening activities every night. New friendships were made and will be kept for years to come. Also, a wonderful service was planned and presented to Islington United on the Sunday during GO. We would like to thank the congregation of St. James for their ongoing support of the youth and leaders and, of course, the GO Project. We are already looking forward to and planning for next year, so stay tuned!







# What are you most thankful for?

This past summer we have been richly blessed with an abundance of sunshine and warm, warm, weather. If you are a gardener like I am, you have relished in every opportunity to nurture the soil and its growth. I find gardening to be one of the most relaxing and stressless activities.

Now that the routine of fall is upon us, my garden is somewhat neglected, but I am thankful for the few months I had to watch my plants flourish.

As Thanksgiving weekend is just around the corner, my thankful thoughts of summer turn to autumn. In the next few weeks the air will turn cooler, the bright hues of orange, red and yellow will paint the landscapes of our city and province. The nights will get dark earlier... the patterns of our lives change.... But change is good. It gives us all an opportunity to look at ourselves and our lives and maybe tweak or add patterns to our beings and daily routines that were not there before.

I am acutely aware at this time of year that being thankful means so many different things for all of us. For the students I work with at MUN, thankfulness means getting their student loans or finding household items even when their loans did not come through. For an international student, it means connecting with another graduate student from a different part of the world at the welcome back barbecue.

To a senior living alone, it means that phone call every morning from a friend or a loved one checking up on them to see if they are okay. For someone in a longterm care facility, it may mean connecting with a faith community during monthly worship or a visit from a church member.

For a busy family with children, it may mean connecting with another family so that car pooling may take place in between activities with your children's friends. I know all too well that this helps to lighten the load...thankfulness, yes!!

I am also acutely aware there are those among us who are so burdened by the weight of life that giving thanks is far removed from life's journey at the moment... sickness, grief, financial difficulties, relationship stress, addictions, loneliness, spiritual emptiness.... They need to know that we, their brothers and sisters in Christ, hold them in our hearts, thoughts and prayers.

At this time in your life's journey, where do you find yourself? What are you most thankful for?

God is the great provider, and it is God's love and presence that continues to encompass our journey through life. God's presence and solace can be that which gets us to the next day....through the tough times.

God's presence and solace can also be there with us through the smiles and giggles, joys and laughter of our lives.

May you find glimpses of God's presence in all you do this autumn. May God richly bless you with love and the light of God's presence this Thanksgiving.

Rev. Pamela

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. JAMES



Monday Yoga 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study 12 noon Wednesday **Guitar Singing Group** 11 a.m. - 12:30 Friendship Group 2 - 4 p.m. Youth Choir 6:45 - 8:15 p.m. Men's Choir 8 - 9 p.m. Thursday Senior Choir 7:30 - 9 p.m. Saturday Youth Group 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Liturgical Dance 2:30 p.m.

(Junior High and up)



# Go Project - 2012

For the second year, St. James hosted the GO Project, a United Church Mission Project for youth aged 14-19. Twenty youth and leaders from Red Deer, Alberta; Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; Toronto, London and Ottawa, Ontario; Pictou and Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, travelled to St. John's to live at St. James for 11 days while learning about our community, social and environmental issues and themselves.



While in St. John's, the group worked with the Street Reach program, Community Food Sharing Association, Tommy Sexton Centre, Y Summer Day Camp program, Ocean Net, Agnes Pratt Seniors Home, Rabbittown Community Garden and the Gower Street Community Lunch Program. A trip to Bell Island to tour the mines and the island with a local tour guide and former miner was a highlight of the project again this year. The young people wrote the liturgy and conducted worship at St. James on July 29. The service was followed by a community picnic where the congregation got a chance to meet our visitors.

While GO Project is a lot of work, there are also times to enjoy some of the local beauty and attractions such as a picnic lunch at Signal Hill between mission sites. Sabbath time this year was spent at Cape Spear enjoying the waves and whales. After a busy final day of preparing and serving lunch at Gower, a visit to the Royal St. John's Regatta was a big treat. The GO project wrapped up with a closing worship around a campfire on Middle Cove Beach.

The GO Project would like to thank everyone who helped out by housing leaders during their preparation week, picking up and dropping off participants at the airport, driving youth and leaders to and from mission sites, doing laundry, bringing all the delicious treats and supporting the project in every way.

If you are interested in participating in The GO Project in 2013, please contact Susan at <a href="mailto:susan@stjamesuc.org">susan@stjamesuc.org</a>





# **Liturgical Dance Group**

**Liturgical dance** is dance that is incorporated into liturgies or worship services. It is an expression of worship. Such dances can be accompanied by many different types of music. The dancers respond with an appropriate dance which flows out of the music and is thought to enhance the prayer or worship experience.

We are starting a liturgical dance group at St. James with dance instructor Kimberly Monks. Rehearsals are 2:30-3:30 on Saturday afternoons in the Fellowship Room. Dance experience not required but helpful. Ages: Junior High and up.

# **Greetings from Your Church Council**

As Chair of your Church Council, I am writing to thank you for your support of our Church over the years and in particular over the past few months. We have had challenges, particularly around the issue of Church membership. These challenges have resulted in discussion by the Worship and Sacraments Committee and action which we hope will provide an opportunity to assist many of our people in updating their membership and also establishing definitive membership at St. James.

I would also like, on your behalf, to thank our staff and the members of our committees for their tireless efforts. This past summer was exciting as we hosted the GO project and also challenging as we made extensive repairs to our Church buildings. With your continued support and commitment, we are anxiously anticipating the positive and exciting Church year that lies ahead. The financial report contained in this issue of the *Visitor* indicates that we are running well behind our budget for this point in the year. I fully expect that, as always, we will rise to the challenge over the next four months, thus enabling your Council to bring a balanced report to our annual meeting in March.

Our Committees have been quite active in their work since the Annual Meeting in March. The only gap in our Committee structure at the moment is Stewardship. We have not been able to find anyone who is willing to Chair this committee, and we are still seeking members to serve on this committee. I would love to hear from you if you would like to be part of this group.

Please take a moment to read the Pastoral letter from our new Moderator, the Very Rev. Dr. Gary Paterson, which can be found at <a href="http://www.united-church.ca/">www.newlabconf.com</a> or <a href="http://www.united-church.ca/">http://www.united-church.ca/</a>

Please do not hesitate to contact any member of Council if you have concerns.

Clyde Flight, Chair

#### 2012 St. James Church Council

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## **Messy Church**

#### What is Messy Church, you ask?

Messy Church is an attempt to be church for families who might want to meet God, belong to their local church and bring up their children as Christians but can't cope with traditional Sunday morning church services often due to work or other commitments. It's a once-a-month time of creativity, worship and eating together.



Messy Church is one of the Fresh Expressions of Worship. It is not a program, but an innovative worship that is focused on families. Messy Church is God centered and offers an opportunity for families to explore their faith, coming together in a lively worship that does not presuppose any familiarity with churchiness, and finally interacting as a community to share a meal.

Messy Church recognizes that carving out family time together within the busy schedules of work, school and activities is difficult, and Sunday may be the only day that the family can be together. So Messy Church often happens on a weekday, where Mom or Dad can pick up the kids after work, meet at Messy Church and have family time together playing a game, doing a craft, exploring faith and enjoying a good meal (no one has to cook Messy Church night).

The Christian Education Committee would like to start Messy Church here at St. James on the **second Saturday of each month**. If you are interested in helping with these exciting family worship events, please contact Susan either at the office 722-1881 or by email <a href="mailto:susan@stjamesuc.org">susan@stjamesuc.org</a>. We need a core planning team of 3-4 people, craft and table leaders, cooks, Worship leaders, set up and clean up teams.

Join us Saturday, October 13, 4:30-6:30. For more information contact Susan.

#### What's New at Sunday School?

This year we are introducing Godly Play to our Sunday morning Church School.

Godly Play

- is an interpretation of Montessori religious education methods.
- is an approach that supports, challenges, nourishes and guides children's spiritual quest.
- -assumes that children have some experience of the mystery of the presence of

God in their lives, but that they lack language, permission and understanding to express and enjoy that in our culture.

-strives to provide a sacred space where children can hear and interact with

Biblical stories in a 'safe' and 'open' environment.

Over the summer we have been building our collection of Godly Play materials. You may have seen some of these during the Children's Time portion of the service during the summer. The materials are very expensive, and are made primarily of wood for both beauty and durability. We have the patterns for some of the easier pieces, so if you have a talent for woodworking and would like to make and donate a story piece to our collection, please contact Susan.

We have also been carving out our *sacred space* in the Multi-purpose room downstairs. If you would like to come and visit sometime and take part in a storytelling, please contact Susan and we will make arrangements.

Following our Sacred Time (storytelling, wondering, and prayer) together, children proceed to the auditorium for supervised crafts which are related to the story of the day. We welcome volunteers for the Nursery at this time.

All children are welcome to come and join us.

# A Welcome to Confirm your Membership at St. James

An opportunity for those interested in confirming their membership at St. James will be held on November 18 during the anniversary service. This affirmation and profession of faith is open to supporters of St. James, adherents\*, and those having difficulty determining their current membership status. An informal discussion forum will be held following the service on November 4 to explain the process and respond to or discuss any questions. Please contact Jennifer at 722-1881 to indicate your intention to attend.

\* "Adherent" means a person who is attached to a Congregation and who contributes regularly to its life and work while not being a member thereof. [ The Manual, 2010 ]

# Continuing the Search for a Full-Time Minister for our Congregation

A congregational meeting of St. James was held on September 9, 2012, to decide on the direction to be taken in the search for a full-time minister. After much discussion and debate, a decision was taken by those present to appoint a new committee to continue the work. The members of this committee are: Marina Adams, Kelsey Brown, Bryce Hodder, Douglas Matthews, Michael Ralph, Cecil Templeman and Chris Vardy. The two East District agents are yet to be confirmed.

The Committee will carry out its work in a highly confidential environment and report back to the congregation once they arrive at a recommendation.

# **Leaving a Legacy: Your Gift to Future Generations**

Very simply put, a legacy gift is a gift you make with forethought as to the benefits both to the church and to you. Most legacy gifts are given from your accumulated resources or assets, not your annual income, and often in the form of an estate gift.

You may choose to give a legacy gift to any ministry or mission of our church, to St. James United Church or to the wider United Church for Mission and Service supported ministries such as our global partnerships, education programs, church camps, the development of new churches, and so on. You may also choose to have your gift lodged in a personal endowment fund to create a permanent legacy.

There are many ways to make a legacy gift to our church. The choice is completely yours – you choose the way that is most beneficial to you, your family and your church. And whatever way you choose, please know that the long-term impact of your future legacy can be truly significant. For further information or assistance with the process, please feel free to contact:

Clyde Flight, Financial Development Officer

Newfoundland and Labrador Conference 709-722-9935 CFlight@united-church.ca

#### **UCW REPORT**

#### **LET AUTUMN LINGER**

Why cannot the beauty
of this autumn last?
Each leaf falls, now blends
with browning earth,
But all too soon this beauty will be past,
And we, like buds, must wait the
new spring's birth
While leaves turn back to soil
that gave them strength,
And as we near the season's
waning length
This quiet time is all mankind's to share.

By May Smith White

I am writing this item September 14 so it will arrive at the desk of the Editor for inclusion in the Thanksgiving <u>Visitor</u>. "Are we really talking of Thanksgiving? Sure, we're still enjoying 20 plus temperatures, same as July and August. How great is this!"

This is a celebration year for United Church Women, as across Canada we are celebrating 50 years of service. We have several members who have been here since its formation, and we are thankful for these and other founding members who were instrumental in laying a firm foundation on which we have built a very successful and strong UCW group.

The theme for our anniversary year is "Our Tapestry of Love." Women of the UCW are celebrating this 50-year milestone in a number of ways. On September 24 we are hosting an evening for the ladies of St. Augustine's ACW when we will share some things from our past 50 years. Then September 28 to 30, several of our women will be attending a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at Camp Emmanuel, Lewisporte. Over 300 women from across the province are expected to attend. Thanks to Susan Sheppard who worked with our ladies to make a banner for this occasion. It will later be displayed in the church.

The national UCW's chosen project to help mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary was to lend support to the Morogoro Women's Centre in Tanzania. The goal was to raise \$50,000 to support the Centre's plan to educate women in health related skills, especially midwife training

courses that women could use in their home communities. To date, the project has raised in excess of \$163,000. Our UCW sent over \$400 as a result of donations from our morning coffee hour following the worship service May 20. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Our monthly meetings resumed September 10. We were pleased to welcome three new members. Guest speaker, Marilyn Jacobs, gave an interesting presentation entitled, "Aging Gracefully with Humour." It was a delightful view of aging presented with a lot of wisdom and wit.

We continue visitation to our home members, and most recently we have widened our Outreach Program. This outreach has seen several of our women driving patients from Daffodil Place to the Avalon Mall for shopping on Saturdays.

Please take note of our upcoming fall sale, Saturday, November 3, from 9:45 a.m. to noon. There will be bakery, knitted and handwork stalls. Support from the congregation will, as usual, be greatly appreciated. Tickets are available from UCW members or at the door. For further information, contact our conveners, Roma Paul 726-8586 or Vickie Styles 754-6628.

As we gather this Thanksgiving at church and at home with family, friends and community, may we appreciate the many blessings that come our way and how thankful we ought to be.

From all our UCW, a Happy Thanksgiving to you.

Vera Marshall, Co-President

#### **UCW FALL SALE**

Saturday, November 3 9:45 to noon

Please join us for our annual fall sale.

Tickets are available for \$5 at the door or call Roma Paul 726-8586 or Vickie Styles 754-6628





St. James United Church
Income Statement from January to August 2012 compared to 2011

REVENUE	2012	2011	Budget
Collections	400 744 00	400 700 04	240,000,00
Envelopes	126,711.89	133,709.24	240,000.00
Loose	4,653.10	5,606.97	9,000.00
Initial	785.00	781.00	900.00
Easter	6,147.00	4,220.00	4,500.00
Lenten	1,909.75	4,793.00	5,000.00
Christmas	310.00	360.00	11,000.00
Thanksgiving	0.00	15.00 125.00	6,500.00
Anniversary	10.00	286.96	5,500.00 500.00
Sunday School Total collections	656.35 141,183.09	149,897.17	282,900.00
Total collections	141,103.09	149,097.17	202,900.00
Other			
Rentals	20,392.50	21,578.00	40,000.00
Sundry	5,012.00	5,442.24	7,000.00
Memory tree	45.00	320.00	1,500.00
Observer	380.00	0.00	400.00
Go Project	10,196.00	0.00	0.00
Donations - Mens Service Club	6,575.00	0.00	0.00
Donations - UCW	4,500.00	0.00	0.00
Fund raising and Special	756.00	21,603.76	10,000.00
GST Rebate	7,929.25	0.00	18,000.00
Hymn Sing	5,855.00	5,415.00	6,000.00
Bulletin	1,075.00	890.00	1,500.00
Total Other	62,715.75	55,249.00	84,400.00
TOTAL REVENUE	203,898.84	205,146.17	367,300.00
EXPENSE			
Church			
Repairs and Maintenence	3,746.67	3,374.52	5,000.00
Capital	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Heat	17,883.58	17,703.16	25,000.00
Hillcrest Repairs	8,941.85	3,194.74	4,000.00
Light	6,265.66	5,912.56	9,500.00
Telephone & Internet	2,007.99	1,909.74	3,000.00
Insurance	4,043.00	3,939.00	4,100.00
Printing & Stationary	5,260.91	4,729.16	6,500.00
Office Equipment Lease	2,200.90	2,220.88	3,500.00
Interest & Bank Charges	1,641.68	1,482.01	2,100.00
Snow Clearing	0.00	40.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	13,359.68	1,513.78	2,500.00
Organ Tuning	527.17	867.97	1,500.00
Professional Fees	2,650.00	2,662.50	2,700.00
Office Equipment and Computers	0.00	659.20	1,500.00
Main/Cleaning Supplies	4,656.81	4,303.31	5,000.00
Total Church	73,185.90	54,512.53	81,400.00
Assessments & Donations			
East District	3,348.15	3,230.00	13,410.00
General Protestant Cemetery	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
Bridges to Hope	500.00	500.00	2,000.00
Social Outreach	0.00	140.55	0.00
Total Assessments & Donations	4,848.15	4,870.55	19,410.00

St. James United Church Income Statement from January to August 2012 compared to 2011 continued					
Committee and Other					
Christian Development	2,759.47	2,022.87	4,000.00		
Special Projects	0.00	14,098.97	10,000.00		
Continuing Education	1,031.38	424.50	2,550.00		
Go Project	12,610.78	0.00	0.00		
Worships and Sacraments	1,147.88	691.67	1,000.00		
Stewardship	0.00	58.28	250.00		
Observer	486.63	0.00	400.00		
Administration/Communications	0.00	0.00	150.00		
Pastoral Relations	1,048.88	1,032.66	5,000.00		
Ministry and Personnel	139.30	0.00	500.00		
Total Committee and Other	19,224.32	18,328.95	23,850.00		
Salaries and Allowances					
Ministers & Administration Salaries	89,315.31	85,942.46	138,000.00		
Housing/Car Allowances	26,726.83	18,874.66	43,800.00		
Support Staff	12,848.84	12,264.72	18,000.00		
Employee Benefits	21,910.45	19,467.75	42,000.00		
Telephone	525.00	0.00	840.00		
Total Salaries and Allowances	151,326.43	136,549.59	242,640.00		
TOTAL EXPENSE	248,584.80	214,261.62	367,300.00		
NET INCOME	-44,685.96	-9,115.45	0.00		

Above is the financial picture of St. James from January to August 2012 compared to the same time in 2011.

The budget figures are for the full 12 months of 2012.

These figures do not include the repairs to the roof or to the Daycare Center that were agreed to by the congregation Revenue is down about 5% from 2011, mostly due to envelopes and rentals income

Expenses are up 16% from 2011, due to Salaries and Allowances being up and some repairs to the Daycare Center.

The UCW and AOTS donated \$11,075 to purchase a new stove for the church, so that is why the Miscellaneous Expense is so high.

#### PAR Program (Pre-Authorized Remittance)

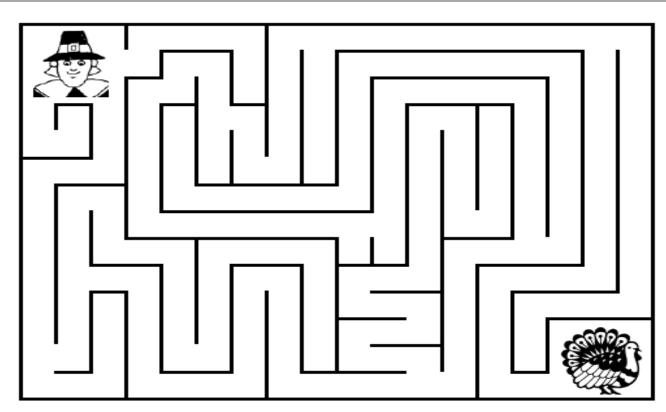
Thank you to those of you who make your contributions to St. James through PAR. Because of your commitment, we are able to carry the church's expenses over the summer when our attendance is lower than other times of the year.

The United Church of Canada administers this program. You decide the amount you wish to donate to the church, and your bank account will be debited on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Small cards are available to put in the offering plate in place of envelopes.

#### Alternative ways of giving:

<u>Visa/Master Card</u>: You can also use Visa/Master Card via the PAR Program. People wishing to do this are asked to call/email the church office for more details. Small cards are available to put in the offering plate in place of envelopes.

<u>Post-Dated Cheques:</u> Or, you may leave your post-dated cheques at the office and we will deposit them according to your instructions



Help the Pilgrim find the turkey

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# Thanksgiving Word Search







- 1. Apple
- 2. Bread
- 3. Corn
- 4. Fall

- 5. Feast
- 6. Indians
- 7. Thanks
- 8. Turkey





**Colour Me!!** 

#### **AOTS HAPPENINGS**

by Les Dean

The AOTS Men's Club looks forward to another active year in the life and work of our St. James congregation through outreach, stewardship and worship. Earlier this summer we welcomed the opportunity to worship with the congregation of Clarke's Beach United, and on September 16 our Men's Choir assisted with the Memorial Service at the Hoyles-Escasoni Complex.

On October 12 at 6 p.m. the Club will be holding its annual fish dinner in the auditorium. Tickets for this event can be obtained by contacting David Hapgood at 576-4075 or Albert Styles at 754-6628.

In early November we have plans to have Mr. Lloyd White of Twillingate perform his acclaimed theatrical production "No Man's Land" at St. James prior to our Remembrance Day events. Further details will be provided later through our congregational Bulletin.

#### **AOTS FISH DINNER**

Friday, October 12 at 6 p.m.

Tickets \$18 are available from David Hapgood 576-4075 or Albert Styles 754-6628



#### <u>Drama Coach – Expression of Interest</u>

St. James is seeking a person with drama/theatre experience interested in directing the St. James Players. The coach would be available for weekly rehearsals with both beginner and experienced young actors to produce at least three faith-based productions a year (Christmas, Easter, one other).

Interested parties should submit their résumé and application letter to the church office by Monday, Oct. 8. For more information, contact Susan at 722-1881 or susan@stjamesuc.org



#### **2012 SUMMER MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE**

By Bill Legge, Chair of Property Committee

#### **New Shingles Church/Annex**

The new shingles installation has been completed with only a few deficiencies remaining to be completed by the contractor, Rona /Shingle Pro. The project progressed very well over the summer with only a few days' delay due to the weather.

The bird deterrent system selected to keep the gulls off the roof could not be installed as originally planned. The plan was to install bolts every 20 feet with a small cable on the peak of the church so that the gulls could not pitch. This method just recently had to be cancelled due to the roof peak not being constructed as per the original contract documents, and as such the wood filler at the peak could not hold the bolts with sufficient strength to maintain the system without shingle damage. The Property committee is investigating other methods for bird deterrence.

We did experience two extra cost items during the project:

One extra cost was to install a layer of Nova Guard protection under the new shingles along with the hand nailing of the shingles, rather than using pneumatic staples, necessitated as a result of the uneven roofing joints in the original construction. This requirement by Rona/BP shingle manufacturer was necessary to maintain the lifetime warranty on the new shingles.

The other extra cost was related to major issues with the east window which needed full replacement due to the deteriorating wood, flashing and window leaks. The solution selected was to enclose the existing window and framing with a new solid wall and finish sheathing. The window will remain inside the church as is for now, and a future project will determine the final stained glass appearance.

The final cost of the project will be in the order of \$118,000.

#### 10 Paton Street - Hillcrest Daycare

This project included all new windows and doors and exterior brick repair, which progressed very well this summer without any major issues. The contractor still has a few deficiencies to complete and then all will be accepted. The transfer of the Hillcrest children to the church auditorium for the three weeks went very well without incident.

The final cost of this project will be in the order of \$36,600.

# **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

October to December 2012

October			
7	11:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving / Worldwide Communion	Senior Choir
14	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Regular / Baptism	Sight Restored Youth
21	11:00 a.m.	Laity Sunday (Coffee Hour - AOTS)	UCW
28	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Regular	Sight Restored Senior Choir
November			
4	11:00 a.m.	Regular / Baptism	Senior Choir
11	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship - To Be Confirmed Remembrance Day / Communion	Sight Restored Senior Choir
18	11:00 a.m.	54th Anniversary (Coffee Hour - Church Council)	Senior Choir
25	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Regular - "Children's Sunday"	Sight Restored Youth / AOTS
December			
2	11:00 a.m.	Advent 1 / Baptism	Senior Choir
9	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Advent 2 / Regular	Sight Restored UCW
16	11:00 a.m.	Advent 3 / White Gift Sunday (Coffee Hour - Christian Development, Sunday School)	Youth
23	09:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Advent 4 / Regular	Sight Restored Senior Choir
24	7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. 9:30 p.m.	Christmas Eve Family Service Carol Sing Christmas Eve Communion	Youth/Sight Restored Senior Senior
30	11:00 a.m.	Regular / Baptism	Senior Choir