This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

**Winnie Parsons**,

from Louise, Tom and family.

 St. James United Church

October 20, 2013/ Pentecost 22/World Food Sunday

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry

Minister of Visitation/MUN Chaplain: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald

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Organist/Senior Choir Director: Christine Tiller

Assistant Organist: Gillian Burry

Choir: Youth/AOTS

Youth/AOTS/UCW Choir Director: Doreen Brown

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 **You are invited to remain comfortably seated until invited to stand.**

**Organ Prelude:** *Choral Song* Wesley

 *Trumpet Tune*  McCabe

**Introit:** *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*  Choir



**Welcome**

**Call to Worship:** (responsive)

One:Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
**All: let us also lay aside every weight and the wrongs that cling so closely,**One:so that we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us.
**All: Mindful of the gifts we have received,**
One confident of the sustenance and abundance that God provides,
**All: let us worship God.**

**Hymn:** *Come, O Fount of Every Blessing*559

**Opening Prayer:** (together)
God of peace, Your call, at times, appears to divide us from one another. Help us to overcome our fears and respond in courage. Give us faith to trust the unity that is beyond our sight. Give us Your eyes to recognize the signs before us. We ask this in the confidence of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**Time with the Children**

**Hymn:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 220

**Offertory Invitation:** (together)

Mindful of the abundance we have received in Jesus Christ our Saviour, let us offer ourselves and our gifts that we might serve the church in the world.

**Choir Offertory**: *Do You Know My Jesus* AOTS

**Offertory Hymn:** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* 664

**Offertory Prayer:** (together)

We trust, O God, in Your provision and loving kindness. Use these gifts and our lives that we might bear Your fruit with praise and thanksgiving. We ask this in the confidence of Your mercy and love. Amen.

**Life and Work at St. James**

**Prayer for Illumination:** (responsive)

One: Ever-present God, as we hear the Words of Scripture,
**All: may our ears be opened to the power of Your Spirit blowing through
 the pages, that we may come to know what You wish to tell your
 people.**
One: Bless us and our reading of your Word,
**All: that we might hear words of love that dispel fear and give us strength
 for the journey. Amen.**

 **THE WORD OF GOD**

**Hebrew Scripture:**1 Samuel 16: 1-13

**Responsive Psalm 139:** *God, You have searched me*  861

**Gospel:** John 8: 1-11

**Hymn:** *As the Deer* 766

**Sermon**

**Anthem:** *We Sing for the Children*  Youth

**Prayers of Concern**

**Closing Hymn:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* 333

**Blessing & Sending Forth**

 **Choral Benediction***: My Peace* Choir

**Postlude:** *Psalm X1X* Marcello

(Prayers adapted from *Feasting on the Word* *Worship Companion)*

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**Ushering this week is provided by:**

**Ushers in Charge:** Al & Minnie Penney

**Greeters:**  Shirley McNeil, Doreen Wells

**Ushers:**  Helen Penney, Joan Barbour, Barbara Butt

 Brenda Butt, Beatrice Wadland, Earl Snelgrove, Nina Abbott

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**We offer our condolences** to Barbara and Bill Butt on the passing of Barbara’s brother, James Leo Noseworthy, peacefully at his home in Long Pond on October 14.

**A donation has been received** in loving memory of parents Everett and Ruby LeDrew from their daughter Donna LeDrew Hunt.

**Many thanks to Menetha Dyke** for weeding our front flower garden, and purchasing and planting over 100 bulbs for our next year’s enjoyment.

**Coffee Hour today** after the 11am Service!

**The Covenanting Service** for The Rev James Von Riesen will take place at Burnt Point United Church today, Sunday, October 20 at 2:30pm.

**Bible Study this week** will be tonight, Sunday, at 7 and tomorrow, Monday morning at 10.

**St. James Guitar Group** meets on Thursday mornings, 10.30-12.30, except for every second week of the month when it meets on a Wednesday at the same time. Please give Herb Carruthers a call at 233-3763 if you wish to join them.

**Fall Sale and Morning Coffee**: Sponsored by the UCW in the St. James Auditorium on Saturday, November 2 from 9:45am – 12noon. Tickets are $6. Members of the congregation who would like to donate - in any way - may contact Sale Convenors: Muriel Cole - 364-5619 or Menetha Dyke - 726-8527.  Tickets can be purchased from members, the church office or at the door.

**St. James 55th Anniversary Celebrations on Friday, November 15th,** at the Royal Canadian Legion in Pleasantville. This facility is wheelchair accessible. The dinner will start at 6:30 pm followed by a silent and live auction. The cost of the dinner is $30 for adults and $20 for children under 12. It will consist of stuffed chicken breast and all the trimmings. Tickets are available at the church office and the deadline is November3rd. When you purchase your tickets, please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions such as diabetes or gluten-free and we will make sure that you have a dessert to enjoy. If you do not have transportation or you don’t drive by night, we can arrange a ride for you. Just let us know when you purchase your ticket and we can get you there. If you are able to provide transportation, please let us know that as well.

We are looking for items for the auction such as baked items, knitted goods, sewn items, dinners, sailing trips, pictures, or anything you would like to donate, please drop them off to the office by November 10th. A form for your donation will be available at the church office and at the services on Sundays.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office at 722-1881.

**St. James AOTS will offer their semi-annual Fish Dinner on Friday November 22nd at** 6pm. $18 tickets are available from David Hapgood and Albert Styles.

**Opportunity to serve the community:**  Please contact SuAn if you would like to be involved in preparing the Communion Service on a monthly basis.

**Today is World Food Sunday. Bridges to Hope** thank everyone for the food (canned beans, canned milk, condensed soup, tinned vegetables and fruit, crackers, cookies, and dry pasta) they donate, and pray that it continues. The organization has served more people this year than last.

**Ladies! October 20th -26th is Pap Test Awareness Week**. When was your last test? If the next one is due, call your health care provider this week for an appointment. For more information about it all, please call Susan White of Eastern Health at 752-4353

**Topsail United Church Annual Fall Flea Market** will be held on Saturday October 26th from 10am-1pm.

Huge Selection of items; all are welcome.

**Transformative Aging:** There will be 2 workshops on Monday October 28th on this spiritual model of aging for older adults. Session One: ‘Revisioning Aging as a Call’ from 9:30-11:30am. Session Two: ‘Navigating the Crossroads of Aging’ from 1:30-3:30pm. The Lantern, 35 Barnes Rd. St. John’s: $20 for the day or $10 per session. Please see the poster outside the office for full details.

**Missionary Work in Newfoundland and Labrador 1875-1900**

Public Lecture by Dr. Guy R. Brassard, (former professor of Biology MUN) and Rev. Arthur Charles Waghorne**,** on Wednesday, October 30th, at 7pm at Queens College, 210 Prince Philip Drive. Parking is available on Queens Lot.

**The Anchormen Barbershop Chorus** will have its annual show at Cochrane St. United Church, on Saturday November 2nd at 8:00 pm. Also appearing with the Anchormen will be the ladies barbershop chorus, Newfound Sound, as well as quartets. This year’s special guests are well known entertainers, Shelly Neville and Peter Halley. Tickets are $15.00 and are available at the door or by calling 746-9311 or 579 -2732.

**Holy Hilarity:**

Church Bulletin Bloopers:

“*For those of you who have children and don’t know it, we have a nursery downstairs.*

*The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.*

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