Today’s bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of

 **Murley Bursey, 1927-2012,**

ever remembered by wife Shirley, their children and families,

and in loving memory of

**John Harvey Butt**

 **November 7, 1921 – November 26, 2005**

From wife Sadie, daughter Glenda Winsor and son-in-law Glenn Winsor, daughter Gloria Le Feuvre and son-in-law Keith Le Feuvre, and grandson Joel Le Feuvre.

St. James United Church

November 24, 2013/ Christ the King/Children’s Sunday

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry

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

Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM

Organist/Senior Choir Director: Christine Tiller

Assistant Organist: Gillian Burry

Choir: AOTS

Youth/AOTS/UCW Choir Director: Doreen Brown

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 **Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.**

**Organ Prelude:** *Cathedral Suite* Young

Rigaudon; Aria; Sarabande, Praeludium

**Introit:** *God Who Touches Earth With Beauty*  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 and Find the Quiet Centre*374

**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:** *Jesus Loves Me* 365

**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**: *Take Up Thy Cross*

**Offertory Hymn:** *We Give You But Your Own* 542

**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:**Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-14

**Responsive Reading:** Song of Zechariah 900

**Hymn:** *Abide with Me* 436

**Gospel:** John 14: 25-29

**Anthem:** *God’s Choir*  Choir

**Prayers of Concern**

**Sermon**

**Closing Hymn:** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* 288

**Choral Blessing***: My Peace* Choir

**Benediction and Sending Forth**

**Postlude:** *Tuba Tune* C.S. Lang

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

**Ushering this week is provided by:**

**Ushers in Charge:** Barry Cutler

**Greeters:**  Stephen Coward, Jacques Vanwijk

**Ushers:**  Sandra Thistle, Linda Babstock, Jim Inder

 Oliver Wellon, Daphne Coish

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**Donations have been received:
\*\*** in loving memory of Elsie Cole from Barbara Moore.

**\*\*for the 55th Anniversary of St. James** in loving memory of parents Olive and
 Isaac Davis from their children Marion, Cheryl, Robert and Paul.

**\*\*for Project Grace** from Wynnann and John Cross.

**Christmas 2013 Memory Tree** will be ready by December 1st. For $5, you may change a coloured bulb to a white one in loving memory of someone. Just drop by the office with your information!

**Christmas Visitor:** The deadline for receipt of articles for the Christmas Visitor is Sunday December 1st. Please remind all your committee members, then email the articles to info@stjamesuc.org

**Bible Study** - **Embracing the Prophets in Contemporary Culture**, using materials by Walter Brueggemann, will be held this week on Monday evening 7-8:30 and Wednesday morning 10-11.30 in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**The church office will be closed on Monday, November 25.** Your phone messages and emails will be answered on Tuesday, 26th. (info@stjamesuc.org).

**Memorial Gardens Cemetery Fundraiser**:  Fruit Sale!! St. James has been invited to join with 18 other congregations in the St. John’s area to participate in a fundraiser for our new cemetery, Memorial Gardens in Southlands.  Fresh Florida oranges and grapefruit will be delivered to St. John’s in only 10 days!  Cost to you is $35 for a box of approx. 40 oranges or 20 grapefruit. 100 percent of the profits will go to the cemetery fund.  St. John’s Seventh Day Adventist Church has agreed to do all the ordering, receiving, storing and distributing.  When we pay for our total order, our church will be credited with the profit it generates.  Call the church office (722-1881) to place your single order, or pick up an order sheet from the office, and encourage your friends and family to order fresh fruit for Christmas. **Place your order(s) with SuAn by Friday, November 29,** and you will be notified when the fruit can be picked up and paid for. This is a sweet way to support our new cemetery!

**Agnes Pratt Nursing Home invites volunteers** to assist residents at meal times.  If you can spare any time, please call Rev Ettie Gordon-Murray at 752-8948 (ettie.gordonmurray@easternhealth.ca).

**Update on the Philippines Typhoon Haiyan Appeal:** Members of The UCC have shown their generosity this past week. A total of $235,271.25 has been given by 1515 donors (as of 8:45am, Wednesday, November 20). The United Church of Christ in the Philippines, the National Council of Churches in the Philippines and ACT Alliance partners on the ground in the Philippines are co-coordinating relief and reconstruction efforts and have begun to receive the funds. All donations received by December 9th will be matched by our Canadian government. Resources are being updated regularly – [www.united-church.ca/haiyan](http://www.united-church.ca/haiyan). If you wish to make a donation, you may do so online at  [www.united-church.ca/haiyan](http://www.united-church.ca/haiyan)  or via a personal cheque. For more information, please see the letter outside the office.

**The Gower UCW** are hosting their Christmas/Fall Afternoon Tea and Sale of baked goods, jams, jellies, preserves and crafts on **Saturday, November 30th,** between 2-4 pm, in the Lecture Hall, back entrance.  Tickets are $5 and are available from members, at the church office or on the door.

**Meditatio Adventus - A Choral Meditation for Advent**: St. John’s Music at Memorial presents an afternoon of spectacular choral music by the MUN Chamber and Festival Choirs on **December 1st at 3pm** at Cochrane Street UC. Works by M. Praetorius, Bob Chilcott, Britten and *A Christmas Garland* by C. Susa. Join our new director of choirs Jakub Martinec for his debut concert!  Tickets, $20 for adults and $15 for students and seniors, are available at the door at Cochrane Street UC after 2.30pm. For more information please contact Mary Beth Waldram at mbwaldram@mun.ca or 864-4700

**Festival of Music and Light December 7th at 5pm:** Celebrate the lighting of Bowering Park at the Duck Pond! There will be holiday singing from local choirs and free hot chocolate. From your side, please bring a non-perishable food item in aid of the Community Food Sharing Association. (Inclement weather date is December 14th.) For more info., please call ACCESS St. John’s at 311.

**Wesley United Church Women** will host ‘Breakfast with Santa & Mini Bake Sale’ on Saturday, Dec. 7th at 9am.  Pancakes, sausage, bacon, toast, juice, tea & coffee.  Tickets – Adults $8, or Children $4, are available from Phoebe (782-1689) or Ruby (754-0916).

**Saint Luke’s Homes 13th Annual Christmas Concert** at the Arts & Culture Centre on Sunday, December 8th at 7.30pm. Admission is $20. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Centre Box Office 729-3900.

**Coastal Sounds CBS Community Choir, Annual Christmas Concert** on Wednesday, Dec 11, at the Manuels River Hibernia Interpretation Centre at 7.30pm, with a special presentation of the Christmas Cantata 'When Love was Born', featuring members from The Anchormen Chorus, Afterglow, and the Topsail United Church Combined Choirs, Tickets $20 from Bob at 782-0388, Andrew at 771-7002, or at the door.  Donations for the CBS Food Bank greatly appreciated.