

St. James Vísítor

Hope Peace Joy Love

Christmas 2013



Our celebrations began Friday, November 15, with a dinner and auction at the Royal Canadian Legion in Pleasantville. Over 160 attended and there was great interest in both the silent and live auction items. It was fun to banter with our friends and their guests, while George Sheppard challenged the bids and had us all reaching deeper into our pockets. On the following Sunday morning we celebrated our milestone together in worship and welcomed Rev. Marion Davis, who spoke on her history with St. James. The service was followed by a coffee hour and light lunch, and Dr. T. Alex Hickman cut the anniversary cake and spoke to us about his early life as a founding member. Thank you Rev. Marion and Dr. Hickman, and thank you to the faithful organizers and congregation of our church.



Dr. Hickman cuts cake while Clyde Flight looks on



The congregation listens as Dr. T. Alex Hickman reminisces.







Rev. Marion Davis, our guest speaker at the service

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"In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The Virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be." Luke 1: 26-29

How often our eyes skim through these verses as we read them, or how often do our minds begin to wander as we hear them? It is the beginning of a story likely heard so many times over the course of our lives that it has begun to lose its meaning, a story told and re-told that is hard to experience anew. I will admit, it happens to me, too. How can we find meaning in a story we know by rote? Where can we find something beautiful, powerful and true for us today?

Reading these verses today, I found myself wondering about Mary's reaction to the arrival and proclamation of Gabriel: "But she was much perplexed by his words" God apparently knows her. God apparently cares deeply for her. God apparently is with her. Putting ourselves in Mary's place in the story, we can appreciate that she would be confused for any number of reasons, but I think the main source of her questioning is the same source of our questioning--if God is with me, why can't I see God? Why don't I see God walking with me on the way? Why don't I always feel like God is with me? Mary, just like me and maybe just like you, has spent her life hearing about a God who interacted with God's people, who liberated them from Egypt and exile, who spoke and interceded on their behalf, reacting to the cries of the oppressed. But Mary, in her lifetime, has not experienced God in this way--a God who lives and breathes and speaks and moves in a plainly visible way.

And, yet! An angel of God appears to her and speaks on God's behalf. Her confusion increases as she hears that while unmarried and a virgin, she is to bear a child through the power of the Holy Spirit, a baby who will be called the Son of God. We move from one extreme to another--a God who interacts with God's people, to a God who appears silent and distant, to a God who pitches a tent among us, dwelling with us in our own form. A God willing to take on the vulnerability, the limitations and pain that come from being human in order to be in closer relationship with us. And Mary exclaims, "How can this be?" and we nod and wonder, "How, indeed, Mary?" but we are oddly resistant to Mary's later words, "Let it be according to your Word." In this technological age, we struggle with mystery. Mystery for us is something to be solved, fixed, or figured out. We struggle with mystery that is simply "unknowable." We look at Mary and all those adjectives our tradition has ascribed to her: "pure," "perpetually virginal," "favoured," and think that if we are not those things, then why would God come to us? What does that mean for us common, everyday folk full of flaws and imperfections? Can God be in the daily realities of our lives, from the mundane to the difficult? Can there be birth, rebirth, new life through us?

That, I believe, is part of what the Advent season is all about--waiting, wondering and watching. As we hear these old familiar stories being told, perhaps re-telling them ourselves, we sit and wait in the mystery of it all while looking for glimpses of God in the movement of our lives. Wondering that if God has come to a poor teenage girl, a carpenter, some outcast shepherds on a hill, their sheep, kings of the East, a couple of cows and perhaps a donkey, then maybe there is room in there for us, too.

Friends, may you and yours be blessed in this Advent season.

Rev. Terrie Burry



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 22 Advent 4 9:30 am Contemporary Worship 11:00 am Senior Choir Christmas Cantata (The Voices of Christmas)

December 24Christmas Eve7 pmFamily Service10 pmCarol Sing and Communion Service



Why we need Advent so desperately

If any of you may have noticed this year, Santa and his "ho, ho, ho" were out on store shelves mid-October, long before Halloween had come and gone.

Don't get me wrong, I love Christmas, the garland, the lights, the sparkles, the tree. But I also LOVE advent. While most would rather (and actually have!) skipped Advent and gone straight to Christmas, I think as Christian people, we need to take a few steps back and show and shout to the world that it is ADVENT...we are WAITING for CHRISTMAS...the babe is still to be born.....

Our world needs Advent so desperately.

Advent is a time of prayerful, repentant and joyous waiting. We need Advent so desperately because we all know that at times life has broken our hearts, our bodies and our spirits. Because at times life disappoints us. We have been let down and left out. Living life has a way of giving us the bad with the good, the grey with the sunshine—we need rescuing from the ONE whose coming changes everything.

In Advent waiting we beg Jesus to break in, to find us, to bring us hope, to pursue our wandering, to mend our wounded pieces. Jesus can do this, but it is in the waiting that He does it best.

In Advent we intentionally open our hearts so Jesus is able to find us. The WAITING gives us time to repent, to intentionally and prayerfully prepare for the Saviour of the World to be born, not just in a manger, but in our hearts.

The season of Advent teaches us to live in expectation and repentance, to yearn for Jesus, to remember what it is like to wait—and in waiting give thanks to the One who shatters the darkness and brings forth the everlasting light.

Blessing on your Advent journey. May you find Him in your Advent waiting. And then on Christmas Eve, may the birth of the Christ Child bring you Christmas blessings and peace.

Rev. Pamela

A Prayer for Advent

Our most gracious God, we pray for Your blessings as we continue our Advent journey. Turn our hearts towards You. Forgive us our selfish preoccupations. Quiet us with Your words of comfort, peace and hope. Remind us of Your humble comings to us—as a baby in a manger, on a donkey into Jerusalem, as a Saviour on the Cross, in the waters of baptism, and in Your most Holy Word. Amen.



Comprehensive Review Update – Rev. Ettie Gordon-Murray

Following several conversations around Comprehensive Review, on November 4 members of St. James gathered in the Fellowship Room to await the call of a Comprehensive Review facilitator, the Rev. Brenna Nickel, Minister at St. Paul's International Charge, Saskatchewan.

Notwithstanding some slight technical glitches, participants engaged in a lively conversation around the future direction of our United Church. It was an amazing experience to feel part of the larger community that makes up our United Church from coast to coast.

The conversation continues and invitations for participation are widespread. On Thursday, December 5, the United Future live-video discussion forums begin. Fittingly, the first discussion explored how digital mediums can provide connection and support to nurture and deepen our faith. If you would like to be part of conversations such as "Where two or three are gathered...online", use the following link to register: <u>www.unitedfuture.ca/live</u>.

Conversation is guaranteed to be challenging and lively, and every voice can be heard.

Forest Church – The Winter Solstice

This summer while attending the Greenbelt Festival, in Cheltenham, UK, I discovered the Forest Church. The Forest Church is a growing movement in Britain and Europe which is taking worship out of the church buildings and into natural settings. It draws upon ancient folk practices from which our modern Christian traditions took their roots and combines them with a deep respect for the natural world, to give birth to worship that is both creative and fresh while grounded firmly in the Christian tradition.

Forest Church does not occur every week, but follows the seasons and festivals of our past. As we approach Christmas, the Forest Church will celebrate the Winter Solstice, the longest night of the year and the resulting return of the sun, and Christmas, the arrival of the Son.

The Solstice has been celebrated by all cultures for thousands of years. Most celebrations involved food, greenery, fire/light and much merrymaking. The Roman celebration of *Sol Invictus* was a weeklong celebration of the sun's victory over darkness which began on December 25. This festival included the giving of gifts. When Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire, Pope Julius 1 "Christianized" this and other festivals in an attempt to divert the attention from the "partying" and merrymaking to a more Christian tone. The rebirth of life that was

celebrated at the Solstice by the pagans was converted to a symbolism of Christ's birth. The turning point to longer days at the Winter Solstice where more light would come became the hope that was induced by the birth of Jesus Christ.

This year I will be leading our Winter Solstice service in the style of the Forest Church on Saturday, December 21, at 7 p.m. You are all invited to attend as we celebrate in word, song and action the coming of the Son.

Dress warmly (especially your feet!); bring a mug and flashlight. We are at 397 Thorburn Road.

Susan



Candles in the snow at the 2012 Winter Solstice service

What is Rendez-vous? In under 50 words

Mark your calendars!

uccrendezvous.ca

What?

A gathering of United Church of Canada youth, young adults and their leaders from all across Canada.

When? August 13-16, 2014

Where? University of Manitoba-Winnipeg, MB

More Details? Check out www.uccrendezvous.ca

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ST. JAMES AOTS MEN'S CLUB

We would like to wish each and every member of our St. James community best wishes and good health over the Christmas season and into the new year. We trust that the true spirit of Christmas and the celebration of our Saviour's birth will find a special place in our lives and homes at this special time of the year.

We will once again be taking the time this Advent season to visit with the residents of a number of seniors' complexes. This will include visits on December 10 to Hoyles/Escasoni, to Kelly's Brook Seniors' Apartments on December 15, and to Tiffany Towers on December 20.

We have had a very busy year, and we thank you for your support of our various projects and outreach activities.

Christmas Carols

Carols date from the 12th century when they were simply secular songs to be danced to on festive occasions. The church soon took over these jolly folk songs, imbuing them with religious significance by substituting the original texts with sacred or uplifting verses. They were not exclusively Christian songs until the 16th century.

Carols were revived in England in the 19th century by folklorists devoted to collecting the fast-disappearing customs of "Old England." They were soon absorbed into the Victorian Christmas and became synonymous with Christmas hymns. Many new



carols were written, often to traditional melodies. The custom of carol singing by wandering musicians, usually collecting for charity, has ancient origins but dates mainly from the 19th century. (From J. Mulherin -<u>The Little Book of Christmas</u>)



If you have visited the Sanctuary of the church this month, you will have noticed this beautifully designed stained glass addition to a window on the west side. It has been placed there to the Glory of God and in loving memory of a dearly departed and much loved wife, mother and faithful friend, Roma Paul, by her husband Eric, daughter Nancy, son Anthony, extended family members and friends.

Designed and installed by SGO Designer Glass, the images captured by the artist so clearly speak to us of the life of a very beautiful founding and devoted member of our Congregation. A formal dedication will take place in the new year. We express our thanks to the family for this lovely gift in memory of Roma, reminding us "We are not alone, we live in God's world."

Clyde Flight





CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM THE UCW — Vera Marshall

It's now mid December and the old year winds down. Christmas trees brightly light every village and town. All around there's a hustle with such demonstration As people prepare for the great celebration. Our cards and best wishes are off in the mail And I trust we've checked out every bargain and sale. We've remembered our families with some special gifts, And added the homeless and poor to our lists.

A wave of excitement floats over the air, And we wonder indeed what glad tidings we hear. Have our thoughts all been filled with goodwill to men As we've shared each one's company again and again? The wonders of Christmas, the sounds of great choirs, The hiss of the Yule log around open fires. The story of Christmas from scripture and song Leaves a warmth in our hearts long after it's gone. While hampers for food banks are packaged with care 'Silent Night' and 'White Christmas' float over the air. But amid all the carols mankind yearns for when The world lives in 'peace and goodwill' to all men.

Oh the things that we do to prepare for the season Of Christmas, but let's not forget the real reason.... A manger, the shepherds, a town Bethlehem, The birth of a babe told over again.

I wrote the above sixteen years ago and think it is as relevant today as it was then. Back then our congregation held evening services during Advent. One such service was led by our UCW, and the meditation was given by three of our members. Vickie Styles spoke on Christmas traditions while growing up in St. Anthony. Violet Hodder recalled Christmas celebrations during her teaching years, and I shared my observations of long ago, the immediate past, and of that particular year surrounding our community and church.

While reminiscing, I thought of the expression, 'the more things change, the more they remain the same'. The Christmas story itself will never change. However, changes are taking place in churches and church groups everywhere. A couple come to mind. We have no evening services now but instead an early morning contemporary worship. In UCW our closing dinners in May and Christmas are no longer 'pot luck' but sit down, catered meals. (Our women are aging, of course, and we do enjoy the luxury of no cooking and no cleaning up).

Since the Thanksgiving *Visitor* we have held another successful Fall sale. The support we receive from the congregation is outstanding, and we again express our thanks. We invite all the women who joined us that morning helping out on the stalls, the tea tables, and in the kitchen to become UCW members.

Proceeds from this sale totaled slightly over \$6,500. By the time you read this item, our Finance Committee will have met and disbursed our surplus monies wisely.



Throughout the year our Home Members receive regular visits from our Visitation committee. Christmas is made a little more special with a Christmas card and small gift. Presently, we have nine such members. We remember them and so many others who were wonderful members of our UCW.

On behalf of co-president Jean White and our entire group, we wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year remembering in the words of Esther York that Christmas is a quest. May each of us follow His star of faith and find the heart's own Bethlehem.

St. James Statement of Revenue and Expenses	
January 1 – October 31, 2013	

Revenue:		
Collections	185,105.69	
Rental	31,142.50	
Other	<u>41,129.45</u>	
Total Revenue		257,377.64
Expenses:		
Church	81,468.68	
Assessments/Donations	13,180.95	
Committees	37,664.31	
Salaries and Allowances	<u>181,881.65</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>314,195.56</u>
Excess of Expenses over Revenue		(56,817.92)

During the first ten months, our revenue is down about \$30,000 from our budget. Our expenditures are up due to repairs, heat and the loan repayment.

On behalf of the congregation, the Church Council extends a special thank you to the members of the UCW and AOTS for their support during the year. Their efforts to organize special events and make financial contributions to M&S and the life and work of the church are greatly appreciated.

PAR Program (Pre-Authorized Remittance)

It's time to take note!

At the end of the year it is always interesting to note the number of unused church envelopes in your box. Statistics have shown that, on average, most people have at least 10-12 left on December 31 each year. However, families using PAR have their contribution "on the plate" every month. This is much appreciated for carrying on the day-to-day business of the Church during times of low attendance. Please consider using PAR if you are not already doing so.

PAR is a program administered by the United Church of Canada. Many people use it for their offering, finding it a convenient way to take care of their regular commitments to the church whether they are at home or traveling. You decide the amount you wish to donate to the church, and your bank account will be debited on or about the 20th of the month. We will give you small cards to put in the offering plate in place of envelopes.

Visa/Master Card. If you prefer, use your Visa or Master Card for PAR.

Post-Dated Cheques. OR, you may leave your post-dated cheques at the office and we will deposit them accordingly.

Presently, we have almost 90 families participating in the PAR program. Help us get to 100 by December 31. Please call the church office, and SuAn will help get you started. Thank you.



Please note: The financial year end will be December 31. If you mark a contribution for 2013 by January 1, 2014, it will be recorded in 2013. We appreciate your special contribution at year end. Please call our Treasurer, Jean Thompson, if you have any questions.

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St. James Visitor Christmas 2013 Page 8 BIBLE STUDIES The Gospel of John 6 weeks beginning Monday, January 13, 10 am and Tuesday, January 14, 7 pm Embracing Emergence Christianity: Phyllis Tickle on the Church's Next Rummage Sale 6 weeks beginning Monday, February 24, 10 am and Tuesday, February 25, 7 pm

GREETINGS FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

As chair of your church council, I want to express sincere gratitude for supporting our church during 2013 and to offer best wishes at this special time in our church year.

Our anniversary celebrations were well received, and we offer special thanks to the organizing committee who did a wonderful job. Our dinner and auction raised approximately \$6,500, and a great evening of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended. At the anniversary service on Sunday, November 17, we were delighted to welcome Rev. Marion Davis as our special guest. Rev. Marion has a special connection with St. James and her message to us on that morning brought an interesting perspective on our history and definite challenges for us as we move forward together as a church family.

Our church website <u>www.stjamesuc.org</u> has been given a "facelift", and I invite you to have a look. We are making every opportunity to improve our methods of communicating. Our committees have been hard at work on the various aspects under their oversight, and we appreciate the leadership they have been providing.

An ad hoc committee has been actively seeking a solution to our troubling sound system. I am pleased to report that they are nearing completion of that project, and we should see the results of their work early in the new year.

As we approach year end, we are once again calling on our people to make a special effort to respond positively to our Christmas financial appeal. As usual, we began the year with an optimistic expectation of revenue, but we are running behind that expected figure. As a congregation, we have a proud history of dedicated financial support of the life and work of St. James. If you feel you have not met your personal financial commitment to your church for 2013, please use the next two weeks to help us reach our goal by year end.

On your behalf, I offer our thanks to our staff for their tremendous work throughout the year and wish them the blessing of a joyous Christmas season. On behalf of your church council, I extend the wish that your Christmas season will be rich with love and friendship and is filled with the promise of a wonderful year ahead as we work together in the life of St. James United Church.

Please do not hesitate to contact any member of council if you have questions or concerns.

Clyde Flight, Chair

Merry Christmas from SuAn, David, Linda, and Keith

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Rebecca Pike

So far this year the Sunday school has had a very productive year. We are preparing a Christmas play for the church congregation! We will also have our annual cookie sale and Christmas party on December 15!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of the people who have helped me greatly with Sunday School, this year and many other years! Jillian, thank you for helping whenever I call, from teaching Sunday school when I call you only the night before to dealing with my bad moods when I am stressed. You keep me sane! Janna, thank you for doing a wonderful job running the nursery, even when you are stressed to the max yourself. To Mary and Susan, you are my rock star teachers. I can always count on you to cover a week when I am unavailable and know that the children are left in your wonderful care! Brenda, thank you for taking over the older class. You work with these preteens in the church every week and have put so much into the Christmas play. I would not be able to do it! And a huge thank you to all the aforementioned teachers along with Heather, Victoria and Denise for doing everything you do, from showing up every time you are scheduled to teaching and supporting me.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone, from me and all of the Sunday School!

YOUTH GROUP/GO PROJECT –Rebecca Pike

Youth group is in full swing. While we meet only once a month now due to our busy schedules, we are still up to a lot! First, I would like to extend a

huge thank you from all the youth and myself to the entire congregation for your continued support of us, our fundraising and the GO Project. At our last meeting, we decorated the church as we have done in the past couple years for Christmas! We will be selling homemade Christmas decorations after the service on December 14th as a small fundraiser for GO Project. In the new year Susan and I are planning a youth retreat, with the help of Douglas and Dylan, called "In the Beginning." Sign-up sheets will be available soon! I am also excited to start offering a program for our high school members of our Youth group in February which will give me and them some time to discuss issues they may be facing in their lives.

If you have any interest in learning more about Youth programs at St. James, please speak to me in person or email me at <u>rebeccapike@warp.nfld.net</u>

Have a Joyous Holiday Season! — from the St. James Youth Group.



Open to all youth ages 12-19! Registration Fee: \$50 (Limited space, so register early)

Winter Youth Retreat

Join us

Friday, January 17, to Sunday, January 19 Rotary Sunshine Chalet Thorburn Road, St. John's

For more information, please contact Susan at <u>susan@stjamesuc.org</u> or 722-1881 or Rebecca at rebeccapike@warp.nfld.net or 576-0703





PRAISE FIT (Coming in January)

PRAISE FIT is a high-energy, dance-based aerobic workout that incorporates music and body movements that honour both our design and Designer.

PRAISE FIT is a weekly, one-hour class that incorporates dance-based moves choreographed to faith-based music. Classes are fun, lively, and entertaining, with musical and lyrical focus on loving God and pursuing a lifestyle of holiness.

From a fitness perspective, PRAISE FIT is a high-quality cardio class, drawing on Jaclyn Whitt's training and certification to ensure balance and safety; thoroughly balancing the workout across various muscle groups; effectively raising the heart rate at a safe pace; and offering alternative moves for anyone with difficulties, injuries, or needing a low/no-impact alternative.

A 60-minute PRAISE FIT class consists of:

10 minutes - warm-up 35 minutes - interval cardio training 10 minutes - cool down/stretch 5 minutes - silent prayer Îţ

PRAISE FIT was created by **Jaclyn Whitt**, a nationally certified Group Fitness Instructor with CFES (Canadian Fitness Education Services). She has a background in dance and choreography and has led a children's praise and worship dance ministry for three years.

The inspiration for PRAISE FIT came from Jaclyn experiencing the secular world of fitness and feeling unsettled with some of the music and movements presented in the classes, recognizing that they were not lyrics or movements that were honouring to God.

PRAISE FIT begins Tuesday, January 7, at 10:30 a.m. and Friday, January 10 at 6 p.m.

First class is FREE

\$6 / drop-in participant \$20 / fitness punch card with 4 uses (save \$1 / class)

A MESSAGE FROM OUR OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

I join with each and every one of you in wishing us the best of everything at this Christmas and New Year's time. As always, the past year has brought its joys and sorrows to each heart in ways indescribable, and I thank those of you who share your stories with me when we meet.

For me, the message of Christmas, through a Messiah born at the darkest time of the year, is one of renewed life that brings strength to the soul.

I look forward to the coming year bringing its inevitable challenges and opportunities, knowing that this is the stuff of life, the proof that my journey continues. The office may be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day, but the life and work of St. James continues in each of our daily activities, as we bring the results of our spiritual practice to the nooks and crannies of our homes and community.

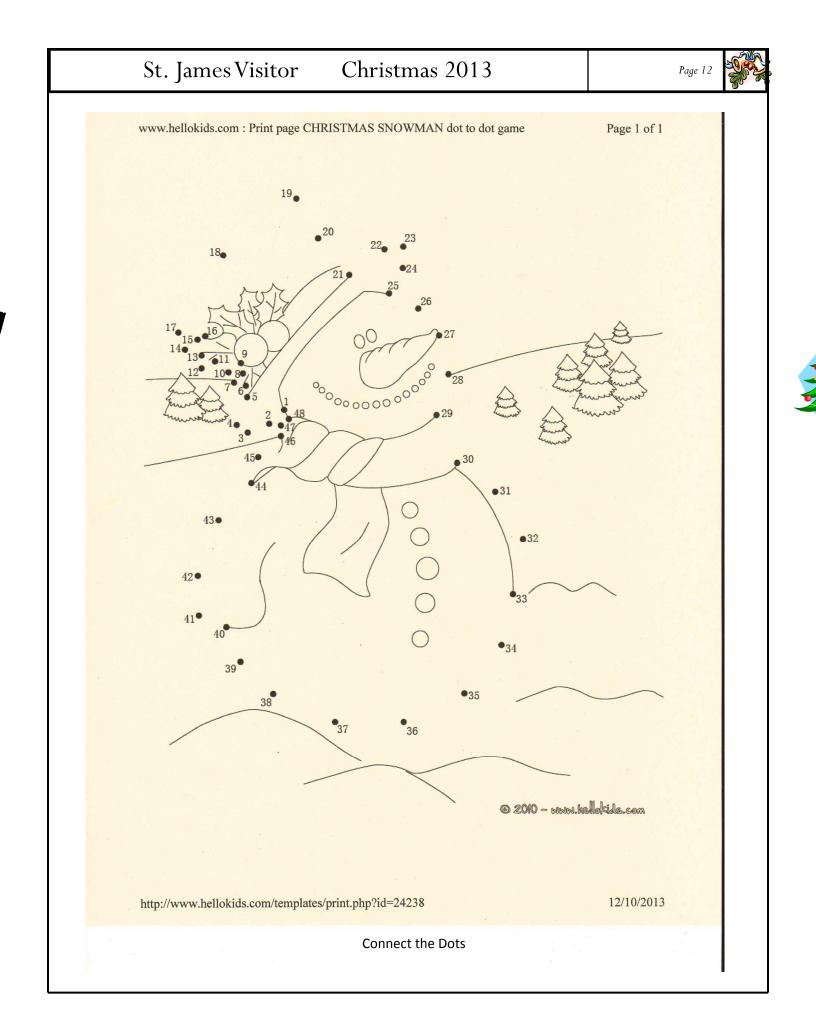
Charles Dickens said it best: "God bless us, every one." Merry Christmas; Happy New Year. I look forward to working with you in 2014!

SuAn Randall





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Memory Tree Form At this time of the year thoughts of our loved ones are never far free we acknowledge this is through the Memory Tree. For a donation changed to a white one in memory of your loved one. The changing of the lights is a beautiful seasonal visible symbol. Even when the gift continues in the ongoing projects here at St. James. Name of person donating:	of \$5 a colored bulb will be				
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE - January to April 2014						
Date	Time	Details	Music			
January 5	9:30 am 11 am 7 pm	Contemporary Worship Epiphany Sunday (Baptism) Service of Healing	Sight Restored AOTS			
January 12	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Baptism of the Lord (Communion)	Senior			
January 19	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 3 (coffee hour - AOTS)	Sight Restored Senior			
January 26	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 4	Youth/AOTS			
February 2	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 5 (Baptism)	Sight Restored UCW			
February 9	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 6 (Communion)	Senior			
February 16	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 7 (coffee hour-senior choir)	Sight Restored Youth/AOTS			
February 23	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Epiphany 8	Senior			
March 2	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Memorial Hymn Sing (coffee hour-Admin/Stewardship/Council	Sight Restored All Music Ministry			
March 5	7:30 pm	Ash Wednesday				
March 7	7 p.m.	World Day of Prayer (church not yet designated)				
March 9	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship 1 st Sunday in Lent (Communion)	Senior			
March 16	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship 2 nd Sunday in Lent (Baptism)	Sight Restored Youth/AOTS			
March 23	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship 3 rd Sunday in Lent	Senior			
March 30	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship 4 th Sunday in Lent	Sight Restored UCW			
April 6	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship 5 th Sunday in Lent (Baptism)	PWC Chorale			
April 13	9:30 am 11 am 2 pm	Contemporary Worship Palm Sunday Deaf Ministry	Sight Restored Senior/Youth			
April 18	10 am 7:30 pm	Family Good Friday Prayer Walk Good Friday	Music/Theatre			
April 20	8:30 am 11 am	Easter Sunday Communion Easter Sunday (Earth Sunday)	Senior Senior			
April 27	9:30 am 11 am	Contemporary Worship Easter 2 (coffee hour- UCW)	Sight Restored Senior			