

St. James United Church Life and Works, June 8th, 2014

We extend our condolences to Alphonsus and April Newhook on the passing of a dear wife and mother, Elizabeth Newhook; her funeral took place at Barrett's Chapel on May 29th.

We offer our condolences to Henrietta Cooze, whose husband Carman passed away on June 1st.

We acknowledge a donation to the Sound System in loving memory of mother, Frances L. Benson from her daughter Ruby and husband Valeri.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock for Project Grace Season Finale Showcase: Please join Project Grace in the Sanctuary for performances by the students, followed by a social time in the Fellowship Room. The 2013-14 school year has been a great one for Project Grace and the after school music program at St. James. It has been a fabulous year working on musical skills in violin, flute and trumpet classes. The new pilot project for this year, the group piano class, was a great success as well! Project Grace is very fortunate to have had a wonderful group of children attending the second year of after school lessons, and is grateful for the support offered by the community of St. James.

"I don't know what to say" grief workshop will be in two sessions: tomorrow, Monday, June 9th at 10am and the following Monday, June 16th at 7pm

Our next Escasoni service will take place on Tuesday, June 10th

Sunday School - Get Involved! We are developing new programs for the fall and need leadership for the various activities. If you are interested in joining our team please contact Susan or Rebecca.

Flower beds: We are looking for volunteers to take on the care and maintenance of one or more of our flower beds this summer. Flowers will be provided! Please let SuAn know if you are interested (722-1881 or info@stjamesuc.org)

Summer Solstice: Join Susan on the West lawn of the church, on Saturday, June 21 at 8 am to celebrate the Summer Solstice and Aboriginal Day.

Are you musically inclined? Would you like to share your talent with the congregation in July or August? The Music and Liturgy Committee is seeking interested individuals to sing, play an instrument, or a combination of both to provide a music selection during the morning services for July and August. A one Sunday commitment is asked but more than one can certainly be arranged.

Please let SuAn know your interest by June 22. (722-1881 or info@stjamesuc.org)

Summer Worship Time Change: Following the overwhelmingly positive Congregational Vote to change Sunday Worship time for July and August (150, yes – 44, no) we will begin Sunday Worship at 10am, starting Sunday, July 6th and ending Sunday, August 31st.

Bicentenary Celebrations Committee Celebrating our Methodist and United Church of Canada Roots and Faith in the Northeast Avalon 1815 – 2015

Update. Please visit our website www.stjamesuc.org for an update of our research on family names of founding members. Look for "Bicentenary Celebrations Committee" in the upper left corner of the front page. Are you related to these families?

Our Future Working Together--A Rural Consultation, October 17th-19th, Gander. The United Church of Canada NL Conference presents a weekend event of four workshops on Exploring Models for Ministry. This event will provide an opportunity to explore different models for ministry; to tap into existing models and hear the incredible success stories right here in our own conference; to imagine models that may involve sharing space, sharing human resources and sharing faith. Cost \$200 which includes accommodations (double occupancy), meals, etc. Special guest speaker: Rev. Don Stiles. Numbers are limited; register early. For more details, see SuAn in our church office for a pamphlet and registration form.

Cochrane Street United Church Men's Club is hosting a Plant, Book and Bake Sale on Saturday, June 14th from 9 am – 3 pm. Please use Bannerman Street entrance. Admission is \$0.50. There will be a large amount of mature plants ready for planting, a variety of book topics and delicious homemade baked goods.

Seniors Safety Fair on Monday, June 16, 2-4pm at the RCMP Headquarters, 100 White Hills Road, St. John's, featuring displays from organizations with information on how to keep YOU safe, entertainment, free coffee, tea, & cake in our seating area and prizes. This is a free event and open to all. Parking is available. For more information call the Seniors Resource Centre NL at 737-2333

Official launch of *Grace Sparkes: Blazing a Trail to Independence* by Marie-Beth Wright on Wednesday, June 18, 7-9pm at the Johnson GEO Centre, 175 Signal Hill Road, St. John's. The author, who was once a member of St. James, will read from her work at the beginning of the event and then sign copies, which can be purchased. There will be light refreshments and a cash bar. For more information, please contact Flanker Press at 739-4477, ext. 24 or visit www.flankerpress.com.

14th Annual Seniors' Day at the Botanical Garden, June 26, 10am-3pm: Please see the poster in the hallway and/or the letter outside the office for details