

St. James United Church Life and Works, November 23rd, 2014

We offer our condolences to Fred, Erica and Bruce Harris, and the family and friends of Rev. Mary Harris who passed on November 15th. Her funeral took place in Portugal Cove last Wednesday.

We offer our condolences to Gerry & Coleen Fong and family on the passing of Gerry's mother Winnie Fong, and thank the Fong family for the beautiful flowers adorning the Sanctuary today.

2015 Envelopes are now available, in alphabetical order, on the Sanctuary window ledges.

Confirmation class today in the Multi-Purpose Room, following the 11am Service.

Today's service will be broadcast by VOWR this evening.

Fall Faith Study continues tomorrow, November 24th at 10am and 7.30pm.

Memorial Service for Harold Tizzard, former caretaker of St. James, will take place on Tuesday, November 25th in the Sanctuary at 10am.

Come Dance with Me: The last Sacred Circle Dance in this series will be on Thursday, November 27th at 11am. Everyone is welcome!

Christmas 2014 Memory Tree will be ready by November 30th. 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, November 30th. Please forward your article to SuAn at info@stjamesuc.org

Movie Night: Our next movie night will be on Friday, December 5th at 7 pm. Bring your own snacks. This month's movie will be The Nativity Story (2006).

The AOTS Christmas Social will take place on Wednesday, December 10th at 6.30 for 7pm in the Auditorium. Tickets at \$22.50 each will be available from Aubrey Hill (726-8306), Ron Robbins (739-9105) and the church office during the week.

Our White Gift service will be on Sunday Dec 14th. This year we will be collecting 'new' household articles for Stella Burry Corporation and toiletries, hats, mitts and scarves for Street Reach. Your White Gifts may be dropped at the church office during the week, or placed in the wagon at the church entrance on Sunday mornings up to and including Dec 14th.

Gently Used Winter Boots: if you have adult size gently used winter boots which need a new home, please consider donating them to Street Reach by dropping them off at the church office before December 14th.

Calling all former NGIT and CGIT'ers to a special Christmas Vesper Service at St. James on December 14th at 7 pm to start the 80th Anniversary celebrations of CGIT in Canada. If you would like to take part in the service, please contact Jean Thompson, 782-1480. If not, just come and join for a walk down memory lane. We will be serving Christmas cake and syrup after the service.

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'Move It' Family Fun (Free Event) today from 1:30 - 3:30pm at NL Sport Centre (Power Plex) on Crosbie Road. Activities include: Bouncy Castle, Obstacle Course, Target Games, Active Tot Spot, Skolleyball, Hoopla Hooping, crafts and more.

Gower Street UC Seniors Club Christmas Gala: Turkey dinner with all the trimmings, entertainment and prizes, on Tuesday, November 25th, 6 - 8:30pm. Tickets are \$15 each and available at the Church Office, 753-7286.

Gower Street United Church Women are hosting their Fall and Christmas afternoon tea, craft and bake sale, on Saturday November 29th, from 2-4pm in the Lecture Hall (back entrance). Admission is \$7; tickets are available at the door or church office.

Public Forum on MUN Homelessness & Hopelessness: *Getting Youth Off the Streets*: Wednesday, December 3rd at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary of Gower Street United Church. For more information, contact Jennifer McVeigh, The Harris Centre, MUN 864-3143, jmcveigh@mun.ca

Wesley United Church Women: breakfast with Santa and mini bake sale will take place on December 6th at 9am. Adults – \$8, Children – \$4 are available from Ruby 754-0916, Phoebe 726-1689 or the Church Office 579-3682.

Saint Luke's Homes celebrates 50 years with their Annual Christmas Concert: A special evening of memories, traditions and fantastic music! December 7th at 7:30pm at St. John's Arts and Culture Center. Tickets \$22.50 may be purchased by calling the Centre Box Office at 729-3900 artsandculturecentre.com