



Happy New Year Everyone!!

2015

The Year of Hospitality

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St. James United Church Life and Works, January 4, 2015

The following donations have been received:

- **to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund in loving memory of Bethany Pike from Susan Pike & Michael Kavanagh;
- **to the Memory Tree in loving memory of Cecil Whalen from Heman & Marion Whalen;
- **in loving memory of Eric Paul from Marilyn & Harold Steele.

The first Escasoni Service of 2015 will take place on Tuesday, January 13.

Benefits of volunteering: Much can be said about this, including how volunteer activities help with interpersonal and communication skills, such as understanding people better and dealing with difficult situations. St. James has many opportunities, old and new, where volunteers prove invaluable in delivering the care-part of the Life and Work of St. James. There is not enough appreciation that can be given to those folks who tirelessly give of their time and energy, yet always we offer our thanks and appreciation to all who did just that throughout 2014, and we welcome on board all who will join us in this coming year. Please watch this space for new opportunities, 2 of which follow:

GO Project Initiative: We are looking for 2-3 volunteers to serve for a short period of time developing a promotional program for the GO Project, St. John's. This promotional material would be distributed throughout the NL Conference of the United Church to encourage youth and leaders to take part in GO, and to promote the positive effects on youth and congregations who have already been involved. To volunteer for this worthwhile project, please contact Susan at 722-1881, ext. 204, or susan@stjamesuc.org

Archives Assistant Position: St. James is looking for a volunteer to assist our archivist, Noah Morrirt, with several projects - no experience required. If you have some free time and enjoy working with historical documents, please contact janwinsor@yahoo.ca

Procedure in the event of extreme winter weather: Last winter it was felt that the procedure approved some years ago should be reconsidered. For a trial period of January and February, a committee of 3 Council members will consider and decide if it is not reasonable to open for Sunday Worship and notify the Congregation via VOWR, other radio stations and the recorded telephone message by 8:30 on Sunday morning. This procedure will be either ratified or revised by the Congregation at the Annual General meeting in March. Let's pray for favourable weather this winter. Clyde Flight, Council Chair.