

Condolences are extended to:

- * Gloria Le Feuvre, Glenda Winsor and families on the passing of their mother, Sadie Butt on April 30. Her funeral took place from St. James last Monday.
- * Vera Blackwood and family on the passing of her husband, Fred on May 3. His funeral took place from St. James last Thursday.

We acknowledge the following donations:

- *to the **GO Project** in loving memory of Sadie Butt from Arlene Churchill, Bert & Margot Priddle, Roy & Florence Winsor, and Ettie Gordon-Murray;
- *to the **Cemetery Fund** in loving memory of mother, Ivy G. Hann from Nellie & Glenn Hann; in loving memory of mother, May Stokes, and sisters Shirley Ford and Barbara Myles from Jean and in loving memory of mother, Mildred Blackwood from daughter Lorna.
- *to **Local Expenses** in loving memory of mothers, grandmothers and great-grandmothers Doris Vaters and Emma Ivory from Maxine Ivory, and in loving memory of Jessie Benson from her daughters Irene Collett, Barbara Beamish, Judy Benson and Joan Benson-White;
- *to the **Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund** in loving memory of mothers, Margaret Babstock and Mildred Murphy from Linda & Ed Murphy;
- *to the **Memorial Fund** in loving memory of grandmothers Georgina Pelley Gordon, Elizabeth Gilbert Stroud and Doreen Whitaker Murray from Ettie and Alison.

Fun-d Raiser for St. James: *Up Close and Personal, with Kevin Collins* in our Sanctuary on Friday, May 29 at 7.30pm. We have 3 weeks to sell 300 tickets for a sold-out performance! To support the GO Project, please purchase your tickets from Sharon Seaward, 753-1984. Tickets are also available from the office.

We are looking for volunteers to oversee the care of one or more of our summer flower beds. Flowers will be provided! Please let the office know if you are interested (722-1881 or info@stjamesuc.org)

200th Anniversary Lecture Series continues this afternoon at 3 in the Fellowship Room: *Early Methodism on the Northeast Avalon* by Garfield Fizzard and Leslie Dean.

The next Escasoni Worship Service will take place at 2pm on this Tuesday, May 12, at the new Long Term Facility on Newfoundland Drive. Volunteers are asked to meet at 1.15 in the chapel to plan the congregation pick-ups.

The next Dinner Meeting for the AOTS Men's Service Club will be on Wednesday, May 20 at 5.30pm

The youth of St. James United Church would like to share one of the activities from their experiences with The Go Project, called Spiritual Practices. During spiritual practices, you quietly move around different stations, each one presenting a new way of connecting with God. These stations can range from reading a bible verse and reflecting, coloring pictures, and even simply breathing. On May 21st from 7:30-9 please join them in the sanctuary of St. James.

The United Church Response to the Nepal Earthquake: The UCC of Canada is calling for prayer and welcoming donations for Nepal Earthquake Relief in response to the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that hit the South Asian country on April 24. The UCC has contributed \$7,500 and the Canadian Government will match, dollar for dollar, our donations made up until May 25. Donations may be made in the following ways:

- *by mail with 'Emergency Response – Nepal Earthquake Relief' on the face of your cheque to The United Church of Canada, Philanthropy Unit – Emergency Response, 3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 300, Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4;
- *by phone to 1-800-268-3781, ext. 3050, using Visa or Master Card.
- *online via our secure donation page.

For more info: <http://www.united-church.ca/communications/news/response/150427>

Comprehensive Review Final Report – Resources for Study and Discussion: Please find a copy of the report on the board outside the office for your perusal, and let SuAn know (info@stjamesuc.org) if you wish for a digital version.

Project Grace, in partnership with the Eastern Wind Ensemble, will be having a Spring Recital at Cochrane Street UC on Sunday, May 17 at 3pm to fundraise for the After School music program. Described as having "*a refreshing golden tone only found in old fashioned romantic trombonists*", soloist Hillary Simms will perform works by Pryor, Grøndahl, Šulek and Saint-Saëns with Lois Simmons on piano. The recital will also feature special guest performances by students from Project Grace. Admission is by donation to the program.

Summer Services at St. James: The Worship and Sacraments Committee advises that Sunday morning services from Sunday, July 5th through to Sunday, August 30th will be held from 10 to 11. Please make a note on your service schedule that accompanied the Easter Visitor.

Summer Music schedule will start on June 14 and will go up to and including September 6. If you are interested in sharing your musical talents with the congregation, as a soloist, accompanied by Amy or Sophia, or a duet or ensemble, please contact either Amy or Sophia at the church or by email or phone.

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