

## St. James United Church Life and Works, November 8, 2015

**We offer our condolences to** Doug & Joan Bursey on the passing of Doug's older brother, Gordon A. Bursey, on October 24 in Brampton, Ontario.

**We acknowledge a donation** to the Roof Fund in loving memory of brother, Gordon A. Bursey, from Doug and Joan, and a donation to the Mount Pleasant Cemetery Fund in loving memory of husband Charlie, and daughter, Sharon Kelly, from Annie Parsons.

**Confirmation Class today**, after the 11am Service in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**Worship Service in celebration of our Seniors, tomorrow** at 11am for all who have registered.

**Help needed for our Long Term Care Facility (Escasoni) Remembrance Day Worship, Tuesday, November 10 at 2 pm.** If you are able to volunteer an hour of your time, please come along. We need you! We meet at 1:15 in the East Tower in the chapel. Visitor parking is in the front of the building which is off Nfld. Drive.

**The Church office will be closed** next Wednesday, Remembrance Day.

**Next Sunday morning November 15** begins our 57<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations combined with the conclusion of *Called to Be the Church*, our congregational giving program. This service will focus on hospitality and gratitude to those members who have focused their time, efforts and financial resources on St. James over the years, and allowed us to continue to minister to St. John's and beyond since its beginning. Our guest speaker will be Katie Vardy, a member of our Congregation. Following this service, your Church Council will host a gratitude coffee hour and all are invited.

**The Friendship Group's next meeting** will be held on Wednesday, November 18.

**Friday, Nov. 20:** Fundraiser/Social night beginning at 6.30pm in the auditorium for a meal consisting of soup, rolls and dessert, with a silent and live auction. Tickets at \$15 per person, or \$40 per family, are available from the church office. Please let us know your items for the auction!

**Sunday, Nov. 22:** Anniversary celebrations continue with an *Old Tyme Hymn Service*, full of our favorite old time 'classic hymns', with the stories that inspired them, for the whole service.

**Bridges To Hope**, *Providing help! providing hope!* is in need of sugar, tea-bags and instant coffee, all of which is repackaged in small amounts. Many of our clients

do not use coffee makers. Our supplies of tinned milk, meat and fish, beans etc. are also low. Please help us continue to give a 'hand-up' to our fellow citizens.

**Pennies from heaven for the SPCA:** Do you have a bag, a jar or a box of pennies in need of a home? The SPCA will gladly count and roll them, bank and transform them into a home for our 4-legged friends. Bring them to the office by December 31, when they will be collected by our SPCA representative, Baxter Howse.

**Butterflies for Bethany:** *Butterfly Necklaces* in memory of Bethany Pike, and in support of Project Grace are \$20 each and are made of Swarovski Crystal on an 18" sterling silver chain. 2015 colors are: Silver, Gold, Green and Clear. Order forms are on the notice boards and in the office. [projectgracenl@gmail.com](mailto:projectgracenl@gmail.com)

**Stella's Circle:** Please see the annual Christmas letter and wish list from Stella's Circle on the church notice boards. Stella's Circle is excited to be featured in this year's *UC Gifts with Vision* catalogue, a great opportunity to give a meaningful gift to family and friends. For a gift of \$20 you can 'Give a New Start' gift by helping unemployed adults develop their skills and train in construction, commercial cleaning, or food services. Please visit [www.giftswithvision.ca](http://www.giftswithvision.ca)

**The United Church offers many webinars** (seminars found on the Web). Please visit [www.united-in-learning.com](http://www.united-in-learning.com) and explore the variety of distance education opportunities that can be found there, on topics such as Mission & Service, Ministry & Personnel, Support for Lay Worship Leaders and more.

**Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir** presents *For the Fallen, Songs of War and Peace*, a concert of Remembrance on November 11 at 4pm at the Salvation Army Citadel, Adams Avenue featuring, Bob Hallett of Great Big Sea and the Salvation Army Citadel Band.. Tickets at \$20/15 are available from members of the choir or at the door. Veterans admitted free. [www.cantusvocum.com](http://www.cantusvocum.com)

**Awareness Event for Violence Against Women**, November 13, 2-4pm at the Landing in the University Centre on Memorial University Campus hosted by a group of second year Social Work students, with representatives from the Women's Resource Centre, Iris Kirby House and the MUN LGBTQ community to speak about the violence experienced by women in Newfoundland. There will also be an opportunity to purchase lunch by donation.

**SPCA 'Howl'iday Fair**, November 14, 1-4pm at St. Mary's Church, Craigmillar Avenue; one stop shopping in support of the animals.

**Agnes Pratt Home Fall Bazaar:** Saturday, November 14 from 10am to 3pm, with lunch at noon or 1pm. Call 752-8941 for more information.