St. James United Church Life and Works, January 24, 2016

## Ushering this week is provided by:

**Usher in Charge:** Susan Pike **Greeters:** Victor Mutandwa, Florence Zhou

Ushers: Susan & Stephen Pike, Victor Mutandwa, Florence Zhou, Emma Clark, Louis House

## We offer our condolences to the following:

- \* James Short and family on the passing of his wife, Shirley, on January 15. Her funeral took place from St. James last Monday;
- \*Lillian Dingwell and family on the passing of her husband, Francis Neil Dingwell on January 16. His funeral service took place from Carnell's Funeral Home on January 22.
- \*Marie & Bill King on the sudden passing of their son, Danny. His funeral took place from St. James yesterday.

## We acknowledge the following donations:

- \*to the General Fund in loving memory of the Hon. T. Alex Hickman from Kathleen Parsons;
- \*to the Sunday School and Youth in loving memory of the Hon. T. Alex Hickman from Douglas Moores, Q.C.;
- \*to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund in loving memory of Bethany from The Grennings.

**The UCW has made a donation** of \$4,500 to the Roof Repair Fund from proceeds from their Fall Sale and Morning Coffee. The UCW members would like to thank the congregation for their continued support of their fundraising activities throughout the year.

**Meditation for Seniors** continues tomorrow, Monday, January 25 at 11am; our focus will be on Wisdom to open the space of meditation within us all. Please join us in the Fellowship Room at St. James; everyone is welcome.

**Hatha Yoga at St. James:** If this interests you, with classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5.30pm, please contact Chris Adams at 400-0727 or email chrisadamscoaching@gmail

**Tuesday, February 9**: Shrove Tuesday and our Pancake Supper, all are welcome. Tickets, available from the office, are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 12, and \$20 for a family ticket of 2 adults and 2 children under 12.

**6 week Lenten series, Growing a Rule of Life**: Just as stakes and lattices nurture the growth of young plants, so too can spiritual disciplines support the flourishing of our whole being. This series uses a tool from monastic spirituality called a 'Rule

of Life' to explore and cultivate our relationships with God, Self, Others, and Creation. This is an exciting opportunity to dig deep and dream big about ways to live into a more abundant life with Christ, beginning Monday, February 15 at 11am, or Wednesday, February 17 at 7pm. To register please sign one of the signup sheets at the entrances. Workbook cost will be \$5.

**St. James' office:** February 8-25: We are happy to announce that most slots are filled for looking after the office at different times whilst SuAn is on vacation. We still need someone for Thursday, February 11, 18 and 25, 9.30am-12noon. . Duties will be meeting, greeting and taking messages — no keys, codes or stress! Please contact SuAn if this interests you (722-1881, ext.200).

**Our Property Committee** is looking for a custodian during the Kiwanis Music Festival on the following evenings: Wednesday, February 24, Thursday, February 25, Monday, February 29 and Thursday, March 17. Could that work for you? Times would be from 6.15pm - end of session, no later than 10pm. You will be paid a small remuneration for being on site to open and close the church, and be available as the contact person. There is no hard labour involved: sit back and listen to the music.

**2016 Envelopes:** If you have not yet received your 2016 Envelopes, they can be found in the Vestibule until the end of January.

**Considering PAR?** Why not make your 2016 contributions by Pre-Authorised Remittance? This convenient method of contributing to your church is being used nation-wide. Please call us for more details, 722-1881, ext. 200.

This Donate button is on our website to facilitate credit card donations. Often, this method is used to donate in honour of or in memory of loved ones. Please visit www.stjamesuc.org

We want your Recycling! Please drop your goods at any of the four Evergreen Recycling locations (www.greencan.ca), and quote our phone number, 722-1881, or just bring them in to the office. Thank you!

**Stewardship:** Please see the January issue of *'Stewardship in Newfoundland & Labrador'* on the notice boards for your perusal. Please let the office know if you would like your own copy.

**During periods of extreme weather,** if it is not reasonable to open for Sunday worship, notification to the Congregation will be via VOWR, other radio stations, and the recorded telephone message by 8:30 am on the Sunday in question.