

St. James United Church Life and Work, April 10, 2016

**We offer our condolences** to the following friends:

\*Bertha Hunt and family on the passing of Bertha's husband, John Wesley Hunt, whose funeral took place from Carnell's funeral home last Wednesday, April 6;  
\*Paula George and family on the passing of Paula's husband, Carl Harvey George. His funeral took place on Monday, April 4 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church;  
\*Flora Clouter and family on the passing of Flora's brother, Albert Noseworthy, whose funeral was in Clarendville on March 31.

**We offer our thanks to Marie-Beth Wright** for joining us today and donating a copy of her book, *Grace Sparkes: Blazing a Trail to Independence*. Grace had a long time active association with St. James.

**Today's 11am Worship Service** will be broadcast by VOWR this evening.

**Please join us** today, following the 11am Worship Service, for the congregational meeting to make a decision regarding the *same sex marriage and affirming church* proposals at St. James.

**April 10 - 16 is National Volunteer Week:** Volunteers are the roots of strong communities. Just like roots are essential for trees to bloom, volunteers are essential for communities to boom. Thanks to volunteers, our communities grow strong and resilient. Even the tiniest volunteer effort leaves a profound and lasting trace in a community, much like tree rings that appear over time. Please join us for our Coffee Hour next Sunday, April 17 after our Hymn Sing, when we will pay tribute to our volunteers.

**4 week Book Study** of *Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography* by John Crossan, continues tomorrow, Monday, April 11 at 11am or Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm. Even if you haven't read the book, please feel welcome to attend for some great discussion and insight.

**Our UCW will meet tomorrow night**, Monday, April 11 at 7.30.

**The first Pleasant View Towers Worship Service** (old Long Term Care Facility) on Newfoundland Drive will be held on Tuesday, April 12, facilitated by Rev. Pamela.

**Memorial Hymn Sing, next Sunday, April 17 at 11am:** Please invite your family and friends to this annual service to remember those who are no longer with us. To ensure your hymn requests are included in our special bulletin, please return your request form to the church office or place it in the collection plate; deadline has been extended to Wednesday, April 13.

**Annual AOTS Fish Dinner** will be on Friday, April 29 at 6pm.

**Annual GO Project Dessert Party and Auction:** Friday, May 6 at 7pm; tickets are \$10, available from any GO Project person or the church office.

**Stella's Circle Knitting Bee**, facilitated by Rev. Pamela and running for 8 weeks, will begin on Friday, May 6, from 1:30 - 2:30pm. We are seeking donations of knitting supplies - yarn and especially needles, and also a couple of knitters to come and teach. The sessions will be VERY informal with a focus on fellowship and of course, knitting!! *Purl Jam* will be housed out of the Brian Martin Resource Centre on Rawlins Cross. (Parking is available). If this interests you, please let Rev. Pamela know, 722-1881, ext. 203.

**Dr. John Dominic Crossan** at St. James on May 13-15, to lecture on *Jesus & Paul: Continuity or Discontinuity?* Friday, May 13, 7pm: *The Unity of Jesus & Paul*; Saturday, May 14, 10am: *Jesus & the Kingdom of God*; Saturday at 2pm: *Paul & the Challenge of Equality*; Saturday at 7pm: *God & the Justice of Resurrection*. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to attend one or more! If this interests you, please talk with Susan, (722-1881, ext. 204) or email [scsheppard2016@gmail.com](mailto:scsheppard2016@gmail.com) FaceBook at 'Crossan on the Rock'.

**Please reserve May 16 and plan to attend an evening with Kevin Collins** for his *"Better than Today Concert with special guest Ray Walsh"*. Tickets are \$25, available from the Church office. This is a tremendous opportunity to support the Life and Work of St. James - promote this event among your friends and neighbours! [www.kevincollins.ca](http://www.kevincollins.ca) We have posters that need to be spread around the city. If you can put one up in your neighbourhood Community Centre or store, please take one from the board in the Sanctuary or outside the office.

**Cowan Heights United Church** will celebrate its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a Pastoral Charge this afternoon with a special church service at 3 pm and a dinner at 5 pm. Contact Diana at 364-8553, or Sandra 745-1976 for more information.

**Bridges To Hope AGM:** Monday, April 18 at 7:30pm at First United, Mount Pearl.

**Wesley United Church** will hold a fish luncheon on Friday, April 22, at 12 noon, followed by auction and bridge. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased by calling Pheobe at 726-1689, Marvin at 579-7900 or the Church office at 579-3682

**Saint Michael & All Angels Parish**, 75 Kiwanis Street, Spring Sale on Saturday 30 April at 9:30am. Morning coffee (\$5.) Pea Soup lunch & dessert 12 noon (\$10), Turkey, ham & salads buffet with dessert (\$20) 4:30 & 6:30 pm., with Bake & Craft stalls. For tickets or further information please contact Marie at 368-2844.