St. James United Church Life and Work, May 22, 2016

We offer our condolences to Shirley Barbour and family on the passing of Shirley's brother-in-law last week. His funeral took place from Wesleyville.

The Worship & Sacraments Committee thanks all who helped with food, set up and clean up last Saturday and Sunday.

The office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 23.

Summer Student Employment in the office during July and August: if you are interested in being considered, please email or drop off a résumé to the church office (info@stjamesuc.org) by Monday, June 6. Interested students must be between 15-30 years of age, a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or refugee, legally entitled to work and should have been a registered full time student during 2015/6 with intention to return to school 2016/7.

Mediation for Seniors, all welcome: We continue our meditation sessions for 4 consecutive Mondays beginning May 30 at 11am in the Fellowship Room. We will take an hour each week to explore the theme of consciousness via the theory of meditation, effective techniques and practice time. Studies of meditation have shown that its practice reduces stress and anxiety, lowers blood pressure, reduces chronic pain and improves health, vitality and self-esteem. If you have never meditated, or if you have tried and found it difficult to continue your practice, yet you still have interest, please join us.

Summer Music schedule, June 5 up to and including September 4. If you are interested in sharing your musical talents with the congregation, as a soloist, accompanied by Amy, or a duet or ensemble, please contact Amy by email or phone, amdalziel@mta.ca 771-2414

Container Gardening: Do you want fresh vegetables this summer? No room for a garden? Try container gardening! *Food 1st NL*'s container gardening workshop will now take place on Monday evening, June 6, from 6-7.30 in the Fellowship Room. If you are interested in attending on this new date, please contact Susan at 722-1881.204 or susan@stjamesuc.org

Seniors are invited to a special Worship Service on Wednesday, June 8 at 11am: Holy Communion in the Sanctuary, with the St. James Guitar Group providing musical leadership. This will be followed by a light lunch in the Auditorium. Please let SuAn know by Wednesday, June 1 if you wish to participate. (722-1881, ext. 200) Transport can be provided.

Project Grace will present their 2015-16 Season Finale Showcase on Sunday, June 12 at 3pm in the Sanctuary at St. James United Church. Admission is by freewill donation, all are welcome to attend! Questions? projectgracenl@gmail.com

Add Your Voice to Canada's Climate Plan. The Government of Canada is asking Canadians what we want to see in a national climate action plan. This is a concrete opportunity for us to live into God's call to love and care for the Earth. You can easily submit your ideas using the web-based Climate Consultation

Template developed by Citizens for Public Justice. The template contains proposed recommendations and an invitation to reflect on personal connections to climate change. Go to cpj.ca/climate-consultation to be part of the conversation!

Topsail United Church Spring Flea Market will be held on Saturday, May 28, from 10am-2pm. Admission \$1, All are welcome; please bring your own bags.

Broadway Night: An evening of Broadway music on Sunday May 29 at 7pm at Gower Street United Church. There will be great music, desserts, coffee, and tea; a silent auction and so many special performers! Tickets \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door. All proceeds go to support the music ministries and other ministries of Cochrane Street United Church. For more information & tickets: info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023.

Gower Seniors Club May Social Jiggs Dinner, dessert, and tea/coffee Tuesday, May 31, 6:00-8:30pm; entertainment/prizes. Tickets are \$17 each, available at Gower St. Church office, 753-7286.

Observer renewals: It's that time again! Please contact Barry Cutler (364-3450 or newfie_1_ca@yahoo.ca) to renew your subscription for another year – it does not happen automatically. Cost for the coming year is \$25, with the renewal deadline on June 14. For those folks wishing to begin a subscription, please return this form to the office.

Observer Renewal: I would like to receive a subscription to The United Observer through the St. James United Church-NL Group Plan at the new price of \$25 per year. Payment enclosed.

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