St. James United Church Life and Work, October 23, 2016 We offer our condolences to Lorne Goodyear and family on the passing of Lorne's father, Lorenzo Goodyear, whose funeral took place from Barrett's Funeral Home last Wednesday.

We acknowledge the following donations:

*to the General fund in loving memory of Eric Patey from Helen and George Penny, Barbara Taylor, Bruce and Paulette Taylor, Joan Penny, Clyde Patey, Bert Meadus and Maria, Freda Mercer, Betty, Jeff and Karen;

*to St. James in loving memory of Sean Burke, son-in-law, from Roly & Marg Hillyard;

* a Thanksgiving donation in memory of Doris Vaters from her daughter, Maxine Ivory. and family;

*to the AOTS from George & Jean White.

Confirmation 2017: Any youth, Grade 7 or above, who wishes to take part in this year's confirmation classes, please contact Susan by November 13; 722-1881, ext. 204 or

St. James' Fall Meditation Series with SuAn continues tomorrow, Monday, October 17 at 11am in the Fellowship Room; donation basis. As always, our topic is Consciousness, with the theme for these sessions being *Consciousness and Aging*. If you have never meditated, or have tried and found it difficult to continue your practice, yet you still have interest, please join us! If driving, remember to park for free in the first line nearest to Elizabeth Avenue. Anywhere else in the parking lot is liable for a ticket.

Tickets for our November 19 Anniversary Celebration will be on sale this coming week from the office at \$20.

St. James UCW Fall Sale and Morning Coffee will be held Saturday, November 5 from 9:45 to noon in the church auditorium. There will be the usual stalls of a variety of baked goods (including Christmas fruit cakes), jams, pickles, and fudge, and stalls with handmade goods - knitted, crocheted and sewn - and the surprise bags. Anyone wishing to donate, in any way, may contact sale convenors Marilyn Dunford 237-7100 or Jean White 739-0908. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased from members or at the door. We look forward to seeing you there.

Minute for Mission: *'Children's art is dangerous for war'* reads a sign in a school in Bogota, Columbia. The sign reflects the work of building a culture of peace among children and youth in the war torn country. The Latin American Center for Popular Education known as CEPALC is one of three United Church partners in Columbia supported by M&S. CEPALC is an ecumenical group that helps children

who have lived their entire lives in the midst of war to imagine peace and experience healthy community. It also offers training in media production to many community radio and TV stations, challenging the norms of violence and lifting up alternate ways of living in peace. CEPALC makes its own media, theatre, dance and puppet productions as it works toward a culture of peace in Columbia. Another sign in the school says '*war is afraid of children's art'*; M&S at work influencing change in our world!

Please see the notice board for:

*Letters and prayers from our UCC regarding the storm damage that hit our island over Thanksgiving;

*Women to women empowering leadership conference details and registration form.

Fall fairs in the city:

Portugal Cove Memorial United Church, Saturday, October 29, 11am-1pm; soups, stews, fish chowder, chili, baked beans, pies, tea, coffee. **The Glenbrook Lodge** Ladies' Auxiliary Fall Bake Sale on Saturday, October 29 at 2pm in the Acton Centre, Glenbrook Lodge, Torbay Road. Christmas cakes, preserves and novelty items will be available.

The Agnes Pratt Home Fall Bazaar on Saturday, November 5 , 10am-3pm; craft sale, bake sale, table of chance, white elephant sale. Lunch starting at noon includes homemade soup, roll, tea/coffee & dessert for \$7 per person. **George Street** UCW Fall Tea and Sale, Jimmy Pratt Memorial Outreach Center on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 2 pm; tea at 2.30; tickets \$7 available from Ruby at 745-4807 or Ruth at 722-4961.

Gospel Concert hosted by Hillgate Joys Christian Fellowship on Friday, October 28 at 7:30pm; admission, \$15 per person, begins at 6:30pm at Eastern Gate Church, 759 Empire Avenue, featuring local artists. This concert is in aide of an outreach to widows and single moms who will be attending the Annual Christmas Banquet. The money raised will provide a full turkey dinner plus Christmas gifts for the widows, the single moms and their children. Contact Jean Hill, 364-2219 or Rita Russell, 437-2390 for more info.

Topsail United Church will be holding a Hot Turkey Dinner on Sat. Oct. 29 at 6:30pm. Cost \$20. To reserve tickets please call the Church Office at 834-4567

Wesley United Church, October 30, an evening service will take place featuring Allan Piercey and his keyboard with some of his original music. Allan will also be backed up by Wesley Male Choir on some pieces. Rev. Bill Mercer will preside over the service which will start with a singalong at 6:50. All are welcome.