St. James United Church Life and Work, February 19, 2017

The flowers adorning the Sanctuary today are in loving memory of William Vallis from his wife Ruby of Chancellor Park, and their daughter, Betty Sherstan of BC.

We acknowledge the following donations:

*to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of Harold Price from Gerald Hutchings; *to General Funds in loving memory of Harold Price from J. Gullage; in loving memory of Peter Winsor from Doug & Marilyn Peters, and in loving memory of Dr. Rosanne McCann from her son Max Ruelokke;

*to the Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Don Marshall from his wife Vera and daughters Janet, Joanne and families.

Today after the 11am Service: Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Auditorium.

The annual Kiwanis Music Festival at St. James begins this afternoon and runs until March 1.

Not a Bible Study - Following Jesus: Monday sessions continue tomorrow, 11-noon in the Fellowship Room.

Tomorrow Monday, February 20: Non-denominational women's meeting on the third Monday of the month. All are welcome to come and share an evening of fellowship and fun at St. James at 7pm. Bring a friend!

St. James' annual pancake supper will take place on Shrove Tuesday, February 28 at 6pm. Tickets will be available from Susan during Coffee Hour today, or from the office during the week; \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service will be on Wednesday, March 1 at 12:15 in the Sanctuary. Please plan to join us for this short service during your lunch hour, and bring your lunch! Coffee and tea will be provided in the Fellowship Room.

Heads up for Lent:

*There will be a weekly lunch time Communion Service every Wednesday during Lent. This short Service will begin at 12:15 followed by a brown bag lunch. Why not make this weekly practice part of your Lenten Spiritual Journey?

*A new, 6-week Lenten study group - 5 marks of love - begins on Wednesday evening, March 1 or Monday morning, March 6. Please pre-register for this with Susan as she has to obtain workbooks at a cost of \$5 per person;

*Our Lenten Spiritual Journey Challenge as well as Lenten Offering Folders will be available from the office.

The World Day of Prayer service is Friday March 3 at First United, Mount Pearl at 7pm.

CPR Training for AED Machine: We will be holding a retraining session for our current registered users for the AED here at St. James on Saturday, March 4, 9:30 – 12:30. If you are interested in participating in a NEW Training session and becoming an attendant for St. James, can you please contact Susan Pike by email susanpike@warp.nfld.net or 576-0703 before Monday, February 27 to ensure we have space for all participants. Training is provided by The Heart and Stroke Foundation. A personal kit can be purchased for \$45.

St. James UCW will be having a *Good as New Sale* on Saturday, March 4 from 10am until noon. We are asking the congregation to donate items for the sale; they can be anything you no longer use that is still in as good as new condition, and could be useful to another – anything except clothing. Please drop your items at the church on Friday, March 3 between 1 and 9pm, or give them to a UCW member. There will also be muffins, coffee and tea for a toonie. We hope to see you there!

No time to cook or bake?

- * Pizza Delight on Aberdeen Avenue coupons available from GO Project/Rendezvous participants and Susan;
- *Chelsea Skanes is offering her baking skills to anyone who would like to avail of them for a small donation; chelseaskanes@hotmail.com or 699-5214.

Minute for Mission: Our gifts to M&S support youth and young adults. Rendezvous is a place where leaders can be inspired and, in turn, inspire youth and young adults, in their communities. Dancing, singing, praying, playing, laughing, and learning are all elements of Rendez-vous 2017. Hundreds of youth, young adults and their leaders (including representation from St. James) will gather in Montreal in August to celebrate faith. This will be the third event; each having a different theme and a regional flavour; the common thread is the energy and enthusiasm that youth share and take back to their local communities of faith and regions of the country. We sing thanksgiving for Rendez-vous! Our gifts for M&S offer youth and young adults a place to gather in community.

For rent: Our former manse is now available for rent. If anyone knows of a group that is looking for a space to rent, please suggest that they contact our office for more details, 722-1881, ext. 200 or info@stjamesuc.org

Cowan Heights UC, Saturday, February 25 at 6pm for a moose stew dinner. \$15 tickets available from the church men's club or call their office, 745-2871,