

St. James United Church Life and Work, October 29, 2017

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

- * to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of Jacob Parsons from sons Donald, Derek and families;
- *to the UCW Fall Sale from Effie Parsons;
- *to the Cemetery Fund (Mount Pleasant Cemetery) in loving memory of husband Charlie Parsons from his wife Annie.

We say good-bye this week to Rev. Ettie as she finishes her work with us as Interim Minister of Visitation. Please join us in extending great thanks and appreciation to her for the work she has done here at St. James over the past year.

The St. James Guitar Group will be performing at Tiffany Village on Tuesday, October 31 at 2pm.

Next Sunday, November 5: Please join us at our 11am Worship Service when we welcome Rev. Brian Colbourne as our new full time Minister. Following the Service, GO Project and Rendez-vous youth, young adults and their families will be offering a free lunch as a thank you for the congregation's support of the youth's fundraisers earlier this year. We welcome you to join us for a time of community and fellowship!

Tomorrow, Monday, October 30: Meditation at 11am, led by SuAn; donation basis. Bring your shawl/blanket, (and cushion if needed). If driving, please park for free in the first line nearest to Elizabeth Avenue. Anywhere else in the parking lot is liable for a ticket.

St. James UCW Fall Sale and Morning Coffee will be held Saturday, November 4 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, handmade goods--knitted, crocheted and sewn --and the surprise bags. Anyone wishing to donate, in any way, may contact sale convenors Vera Marshall 221-5869 and Jean White 739-0908. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased from members or at the door. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Youth of St. James have a poinsettia fundraiser just in time for Christmas. Price is \$15 and the plant is in a 6" pot. Please call/drop by the office or see a youth group member to place your order.

The youth and young adults of St. James are hosting a Paint Nite Fundraiser!! Come on out to paint your own version of *Winter Spruce* on Friday, November 24 at 7pm at St. James. Just follow the link to buy tickets!! www.paintnite.com/events

CD Fundraiser: The Clark Brown Trio, *Mothers and Angels*, a country gospel CD; Angela Brown's Solo CD, *Come Back Home*. CD's are available from the church office for \$20, with \$5 going to the Life and Work of St. James.

Minute for Mission: Our gifts to M&S support peace and justice work. M&S partner, the Middle East Council of Churches, believes that to bring peace in the Middle East, youth must have opportunities to relate to one another across differences and to reject judgement and stereotypes. Christians and Muslims live in a state of heightened tension and potential conflict in Lebanon. These tensions have been exacerbated by the influx of large numbers of displaced persons, many from Syria, who have stretched to the breaking point communities' capacity to cope. The Middle East Council of Churches plans to bring together groups of youth in Lebanon who will meet with one another to discuss, work and play together, to lay out the foundations for new and positive ways of understanding and seeing one another beyond traditional boundaries and barriers. The experience will give participants real and practical models for Muslim-Christian dialogue in their own communities. We sing thanksgiving for the ways that M&S is in the Middle East helping to change hearts and minds for the sake of peace and justice.

Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir presents '*For the Fallen*', a concert of Remembrance on Saturday, November 11 at 4pm at the Salvation Army Citadel, Adams Avenue, featuring appearances by The Atlantic Boychoir and the Salvation Army Citadel Band, in addition to Cantus Vocum. Tickets \$20/15, are available from Cantus Vocum choir members or at the door.

Rev. Bill Mercer will be holding a Bible Study each Tuesday evening at 7:30 at Wesley United Church. All are welcome to attend.

8-Week Grief and Bereavement Information and Support Group, October 17 – December 5 at St. Clare's Mercy Hospital, Room 6140 (East), 7-9pm.
To register: Mag Snook at 777-8972 or Margaret.snook@easternhealth.ca

Wanted by The Singing Legionnaires: Men of any age who love to sing; no audition, no solo singing, no test, no parts to learn, just unison singing. Drop in to meet and greet and enjoy a good hearty sing; any Wednesday evening at St. John's City Hall at 7. Phone Bill Green 364-2875 and chat about it or e-mail williamgreen@nf.sympatico.ca

Did I read that sign right? '*After tea break, staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining board*'.