

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of a dear friend,
Roma Paul
from Vera Marshall.

St. James United Church

60th ANNIVERSARY: November 18th, 2018

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Guest Speaker:	Rev. Ralph Taylor
Organists/Choir Director:	Paul Rodermond & Amy Dalziel/Paul Rodermond
Band:	Sight Restored
Choir:	Senior Choir
Usher in Charge:	Barry Cutler
Greeters:	Shirley Bursey, Baxter & Verna Howse, Seal and Pilgrim families
Ushers:	Cator & Jean Brown, Linda Babstock, Sandra Thistle, Bill & Cindy Pike

St. James United Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background or sexual orientation.

Musical Prelude

Processional Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* 220

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Candle

Call to Worship:

One: This is our birthday, the celebration of our 60 years as a Church family here at St. James. This is the time to gather in worship; to bring stories of our faith; to recall memories of joy and reflect on our tears of love. This is the time to uplift all of our yesterdays, and to recognize the possibilities of all our tomorrows.

All: We have come, entering with praise, lifting our hearts and voices in thanksgiving, as we prepare to worship our God.

Opening Prayer: (together) Creator God, we thank You for allowing us to see this special occasion in our Church as we mark this sixtieth anniversary. We give You honor and glory for all Your blessings throughout the years, and we thank You that we are able to congregate here this morning. Be with us as we remember and celebrate, and may Your Spirit guide us in all we do. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Children's Hymn: *1. God sees the little sparrow fall, it meets His tender view;
if God so loves the little birds, I know He loves me too.*

*Chorus: He loves me too, He loves me too, I know He loves me too;
because He loves the little things, I know He loves me too.*

2. *He paints the lily of the field, perfumes each lily bell;
if He so loves the little flowers, I know He loves me well.*

3. *God made the little birds and flowers, and all things large and small;
He'll not forget his little ones, I know He loves them all.*

Children's Time, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Hymn: *Let Us Build a House* MV1

Offertory Invitation

Offering: *Selection by Sight Restored*

Offertory Chorus: *Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, 540
that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.*

Offertory Prayer: (together) Almighty God, receive our gifts, build us together as one body. May our thinking, our sharing, our prayers, and our loving action be outward serving. Strengthen Your Church by these gifts. Unite us together through our shared commitment to You. Amen.

Anthem: *Shine Jesus Shine* Choir

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 Wendy Lowden, Conference President
Daniel 12:1-3 Rev. Ralph Taylor
Mark 13:1-8 Rev. Ralph Taylor

Meditation: "Now That We are 60" Rev. Ralph Taylor

Hymn: *Will Your Anchor Hold* 675

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

A New Creed: We are not alone..... 918

Act of Recognition for Minister Emeritus, Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown

The Response of the Congregation: (standing) We, the members and friends of St. James United Church, rejoice in your acceptance of the title, "Minister Emeritus". We hold in high regard this special honor you have received. We pledge to you our continued love and our sustaining prayers through all the days before us. (Congregation may be seated.)

Closing Hymn: *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* 575

Blessing and Sending Forth: Our worship has not ended – it has only begun. For God is with us every moment of every day! Let us go from this place and continue to offer the service God desires, just as we have for 60 years – to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God every step along our way.

Benediction followed by Musical Postlude

St. James United Church Life and Work, November 18, 2018

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Patricia (Patsy) Chafe who passed away on November 9, with her funeral from The Carnell Memorial Chapel last Wednesday.

We also offer our condolences to Mark Pike & Pamela Goulding, their family and friends, on the passing of Mark's mother, Helen Elizabeth Pike last Monday, with her funeral service from The Carnell Memorial Chapel last Friday.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

***to the M&S Fund** from St. James UCW;

***to Bridges To Hope** in loving memory of daughter Joanne Hapgood, R.N., B.N., and grand-daughter Bethany Danielle Pike from Dot & Dave Hapgood.

Financial Update: To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of \$4,115. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.)

Givings for:	October 28:	\$3,689
	November 4:	\$5,671
	November 11:	\$2,300

The UCW would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Fall Sale and those who attended and supported it. Kudos also go out to the women who helped with the event and made everything run smoothly. We are very pleased to report that it generated about \$5,500.00, most of which will be donated to the general operating expenses of our church.

At the last council meeting, a plan was discussed to set up an Interim Lay Visitation Program to provide visitation to congregational members while the replacement of the Minister of Visitation is considered. Rev. Brian will continue his usual visitation to those who make a request, but will also provide training and support for lay people signed up to the Visitation Program. Ideally, the program would complement visitation carried out by the UCW and AOTS. Please contact SuAn (722-1881, ext. 200) if you are ready and willing to participate in this effort. Note that a congregational meeting to discuss the Visitation Program and the status of the Minister of Visitation position will be held before the end of the year.

Today, after the 11am 60th Anniversary Service there will be a coffee hour downstairs. Come and help us celebrate this special occasion.

Tomorrow, Monday, November 19:

**Loose Threads Sewing Studio, 3-6pm.*

**The Yarn Gatherers Women's Group is cancelled for this evening.*

Book Group monthly cafe style discussion of *The Great Spiritual Migration* by Brian McClain: their next meeting will be Tuesday, December 4, so there is still time to get the book and read Part 1 if you could not attend last Tuesday.

Tuesday, November 20, 7-9pm: The next Grief and Bereavement Information Session in the Cafeteria Conference Room, L.A. Miller Centre. Peter Barnes at 777-2167, or Mag Snook at 777-8972.

Wednesday, November 21:

*St. James Guitar Group will be playing at Tiffany Village at 2pm;

*The regular monthly meeting of AOTS men's club. Please note the time change 5:30 for 6:00. The guest speaker will be Mr. Bert Riggs and his topic will be *Gower Street Church Heroes of World War1*.

Members of Cowan Heights Men's Club will also be in attendance.

*Ukelele class in the Fellowship Room, 8-9pm.

Thursday, November 22: Weekly *Not a Bible Study* continues at 7pm.

Friday, November 23: Anniversary Hymn Sing on at 7pm to celebrate our 60th Anniversary Admission: pay what you can.

Minute for Mission: Our gifts for M&S support youth programs such as *Rendez-vous*, a national United Church get together that occurs every 3 years. In August 2017, some 600 youth, adults, and youth leaders gathered at Concordia University, Montreal to sing, dance, learn and be inspired to share their voices with a world and church in a desperate need of hearing them. The theme was "Be the Church". Conversations were passionate as participants explored their faith on a deep level. There was inclusivity among participants as those who were new were quickly included in groups that had bonded over the years. Each day began with gathering music that got the group moving, followed by inspiring speakers – Paolo Marquez from Columbia, who spoke about how supporting M&S is the best way to make a difference; Aidan Legault speaking about using our voices for change; Roger Nishinka who shared his wisdom and humour each day; moderator Jordan Cantwell who shared a message of hope for the church; inspiring music from Rick Gunn & the band ReGenesis and singer Coco Love Alcorn. All who gathered left at the end of the 4 days inspired and ready to truly be the church.

This evening:

*The Wesley Male Choir and Rev. Bill Mercer will be holding a service at Wesley UC, starting with a sing-along at 6:50.

*Evening of Gospel Music at First United, Mount Pearl, at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to both!

Annual Gower St. United Church UCW Fall Afternoon Tea and Sale: Next Saturday, November 24, 2-3:30pm. Tickets \$7, available at the door.

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