

St. James United Church Life and Work, May 19, 2019

We offer our condolences to Helen Crummell, her family and friends, on the passing of Helen's beloved husband Eric on May 10. His funeral service took place from St. James last Tuesday, May 14.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

to the General Fund in loving memory of Eric Crummell from:

\*Phil Saunders;

\* St. James AOTS.

After the service today, please join us for Coffee Hour, hosted by our Property, Ministry & Personnel and Finance Committees.

**Financial Update:** St. James sincerely thanks our congregation for their ongoing support. To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of \$3,961. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.)

Givings for: April 28: \$3,309

May 5: \$3,023

May 12: \$3,688

**Wanted: Special Project Implementer** at St. James UC for an 8 week period during July and August. Funding for this is available to those who meet the following conditions: *"1. be between 15-30 years of age (inclusive) at the start of employment; 2. be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or person on whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act; 3. is legally entitled to work in NL. International students are not eligible. Recent immigrants are eligible if they are Canadian Citizens or Permanent Residents."*

Applicants must be: highly organized with attention to detail; able to efficiently plan, manage and complete several projects within the time frame; able to confidently interact with church staff, the congregation and the public. Proficiency in MS-Office is a must.

Please submit your interest along with your resumé to St. James United Church, 330 Elizabeth Avenue, A1B 1T9 or [info@stjamesuc.org](mailto:info@stjamesuc.org) by Sunday, June 9.

**Monday, May 20:** \*The church office is closed;

\*Sewing Studio cancelled – last session for the season will be on May 27.

**Wednesday, May 22:** Friendship Group's closing lunch at 12: 30pm.

**Next Saturday, May 25: \*United Communities of Faith Workshop**, 10am-12noon. David Armour, Executive Minister for Philanthropy and President of The United Church of Canada Foundation will be leading workshops for the any interested people on the Stewardship Toolkit, The UCC Foundation and Planned Giving. The workshops will take place at First United Church in Mount Pearl. All are welcome.

**\*Community Potluck and Games Night 6-9pm** in our Auditorium! All ages are welcome! Bring something to share for supper, and stay for fun and board games, or even a game of cards!

**\*VOWR's annual radiothon.** Volunteers from the station will be at the St. John's Farmer's Market to help promote the fundraiser. VOWR has provided many hours of music and the spoken word since the summer of 1924. It was a vision of Rev. J.G. Joyce to have the Sunday services of Wesley UC reach out to the people who couldn't attend. Today and for many years to come, we hope that VOWR Radio will continue with that vision. They look forward to your support next Saturday.

**Next Sunday, May 26 at 7pm,** there will be a joint service for the United Communities of Faith at Cochrane Street UC. Guest preacher is David Armour the Executive Minister, Philanthropy and President of the UCC Foundation. Coffee, tea and fellowship will follow the service. The offering from this service will be in support of Burry Heights Summer Camp.

**Minute for Mission:** From 2013 to 2015, Rachel Hearn was a camp counsellor at *Welcome Friends' Rainbow Camp for LGBTQ Two-Spirit & Allied Youth ages 12 to 17*. It was a life-altering experience. Every August there existed a week-long place of sanctuary that said, *"We do see you; you are welcome here."* That is exactly what Rainbow Camp is all about. *"Rainbow Camp is a place of radical resistance against the oppressive forces of heteronormativity and cis-normativity that exist across the world today,"* says Rachel. It is like other summer camps, but the learning is focused around sexual health, healthy relationships, understanding our identities and figuring out how to work around a society that is not designed to enable queer people to thrive. Even though there is no marching or petitions, the world is still changed for every camper who finds a friend or feels like themselves for the first time. *"At Rainbow Camp, we changed the world for young people by giving them the tools and skills they needed to flourish. If you create a space where people can be open about who they are and accept others doing the same, you will learn what it means to love and to trust."* Rainbow Camp's ministry is made possible because of Mission & Service.