

St. James United Church Life and Work, September 8, 2019

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations from the summer:

- *to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund from the Sorensen School of Dance, their Christmas Concert 2018;
- *to Project Grace from Susan L Pike in Toronto.

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: August 18:	\$2,915
August 25:	\$3,938
September 1:	\$2,721

St. James would like to extend a warm welcome to our first time visitors with a little welcome gift. The ushers will bring it to you if you raise your hand during the welcome but if you prefer, you can identify yourself to the ushers as you leave. Thanks for attending our service and please sign our guest book. We feel privileged to have you join us.

Next Sunday, September 15, 2-6:30pm: United Communities of Faith joint church picnic at The Sunshine Camp on Thorburn Road. There will be food, crafts, stories, games and entertainment. This is a free event – just show up! Rain venue will be at St. James. The Committee is seeking congregation members who wish to share their talents or volunteer to help make it happen on that day. If you are interested in making this a great event please contact Kelly Tuck, 682-7698, kellyetuck01@gmail.com

Heads-up for Choirs:

- ***Our Senior Choir** begins their practices this Tuesday, September 10 at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary. New members welcome!
- * **AOTS and UCW Choirs** will have their first practice together on Wednesday, September 25 at 10am. New members welcome!
- ***Our Youth Choir** will begin practices on Wednesday, September 25 at 7pm. New members needed!

Monday, September 9, 3-6pm: Susan's Sewing Studio Fall Session begins. No matter your gender, age, ability or faith, drop in anytime between 3 and 6 to start or continue a project. Relax, sew, chat, laugh and receive help and friendship from others in an informal atmosphere. Just bring yourself, your sewing machine and materials.

Monday, September 9, 7:30pm: Our UCW will be starting their fall meetings in the Auditorium. New members welcome!

English Country dancing starts Tuesday, September 10 at 7:30pm in the Fellowship Room. Come and join them for an evening of dance. For information:745-3881

Thursday, September 12: 2-4pm: Café of Memories 2019 at Freemasons' Hall, Mount Pearl for an afternoon of entertainment and refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers, hosted by the Alzheimer Society of NL and Lodge Westmoorland. Call 576-0608 to register - no charge.

Saturday, September 21 at 5pm: Burry Heights Dinner Theater. Entertainment is provided by young members of the Burry Heights community. Dinner tickets are \$20/adult and \$10/ children. Email burryheightsday@gmail.com or call 754-8824 for tickets or more info.

Sunday, September 22, noon -2pm: St. James' Third Annual Diversity Fair in our Auditorium. Come learn about groups working to make St. John's a more inclusive and just community. Refreshments will be served.

Project Grace is offering: **Music Lessons for Grown Ups* on Tuesday evenings, September 17 - November 7, 7:30-8:30pm for \$120 per person at The Bethany Center. Registration is now open online: www.projectgrace.ca
***Project Grace is now accepting** registration for their After School Music Program for children in grades 1 through 12. Lessons are offered in violin, cello, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, piano, percussion and ukulele. Please visit www.projectgrace.ca to learn more & to sign up!

This afternoon, 2-3pm in the Community Room at the St. John's Farmers' Market, 245 Freshwater Road: *The Seniors Memory Mug Up*. This is a free and informal story sharing session for seniors.

Please see the Community notice board outside the Sanctuary for information on some community events, including:

- *Bridges To Hope fundraiser on Thursday, October 3 at 6pm: Dinner theatre for \$80 – *Over the Narrows and into History*. 722-9225;
- *Office Admin. position available at Cowan Heights UC.