

## St. James United Church Life and Work, January 5, 2020

**We offer our condolences** to Minnie Penney, her family and friends, on the passing of Minnie's beloved husband, Al (Adolphe), on December 29. His funeral took place from St. James yesterday.

**Message of Thanks** from the Staff, Board of Directors and Volunteers of Bridges to Hope Food Aid Center. *"The generosity of your congregation's food and financial donations is the backbone of the important work we do, and allows us to relieve hunger and restore dignity in our community."*

**We gratefully acknowledge the following donations to Project Grace in loving memory of:**

\*Bethany Danielle Pike; remembering Bethany's birthday, January 8, with love from Stephen, Susan and Rebecca;

\*Bethany from Kyle J.P. Winter;

\*grand-daughter Bethany from Nan & Pop Hapgood.

**Have you received your special envelopes?** Our church bases much of its budget on special collections at Thanksgiving, our Anniversary and Christmas. If you have received these envelopes we encourage you to return them with your regular collection. If you don't have one let us know and we'll make arrangements. We sincerely thank everyone for their on-going support!!

**Contemporary Worship Services** have a new day and time! Please join us on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 for another chance to worship.

**Are you looking to help in some way?** Our Lay Visitation Program Co-ordinator is seeking folks who may be interested in participating in the program. If this area of help speaks to you, please call or email SuAn in the office, and let her know your availability.

**Housekeeping:**

**\*When driving to St. James during the week**, morning and afternoon, please park for free in the first line nearest Elizabeth Avenue. Anywhere else in the parking lot is liable for a ticket.

**\*Winter brings its share of challenges** for St. James, one of which is keeping the floors of the Auditorium, Fellowship Room and Youth Church salt free. Please consider bringing indoor shoes with you when you visit the living rooms of St. James.

**\*During periods of extreme weather**, a committee consisting of Council Chair, Property Chair and the Clerk of Session (or their designates) in consultation with the Ministerial staff will determine if it is not reasonable to open for Sunday worship. Notification to the Congregation will be via the congregational email, VOWR, other radio stations, the website and the recorded telephone message by 8:30 am on the Sunday in question. A telephone contact sheet consisting of other key people to receive early notification will be maintained. This list includes, but is not restricted to the chief usher, musicians, and choir.

**\*St. James' Little Free Library**, open to the community, operates on a 'take a book, leave a book' principle. Please feel free to bring your gently used book for exchange to the wooden cabinet in the side door lobby, and to take a book as you leave. (Please do not bring boxes of books and leave them here.)

**Sign up for weekly Congregational emails:** register at [info@stjamesuc.org](mailto:info@stjamesuc.org)

**Newfound Sound** is the only all women's chorus specializing in four part a cappella harmony in barbershop style. We welcome new members on Wednesdays 7-9 pm at St. James, under the Direction of Brandon Olsen. For more information, call Patsy at 726-1936.

**Overeaters Anonymous (OA):** Are you struggling with unhealthy eating behaviours? Overeaters Anonymous is a support group whose program is based on physical, emotional and spiritual healing. They are a Twelve Step program for people facing serious eating problems. [www.oanl.org](http://www.oanl.org) 738-1742, [info.aa.nl@gmail.com](mailto:info.aa.nl@gmail.com)

**Next Sunday, January 12: The Seniors Memory Mug Up** at The Market, a free and informal story sharing session for seniors, where people gather, have a cup of tea, and share memories in the Community Room at the St. John's Farmers' Market, 245 Freshwater Road. For more information call Terra Barrett with Heritage NL, 739-1892 ext. 5 or [terra@heritagenl.com](mailto:terra@heritagenl.com)