

We offer our condolences to Dorothy Acreman, her family and friends on the passing of her beloved husband, John on February 4. His funeral service took place from Barrett's Memorial Chapel yesterday.

Financial Update: St. James sincerely thanks our congregation for their ongoing support. To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of \$4,038. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.)

Givings: January 19:	State of Emergency
January 26:	\$3,919
February 2:	\$2,037

Valentine's Day Friendship and Fun event, next Friday, February 14th:
Our *Valentine's Day Friendship and Fun* event features a concert, dessert party, wine pull and silent auction! Tickets for the full event are on sale today and during the week from the church office for \$20 each. Doors open at 6:15 to view auction items, with the concert beginning at 7:00. Note that there is no reserved seating for the dessert party. Also note that corks for the wine pull will not go on sale until after the concert.
**If you are able to make and donate a dessert please contact Karen Brown at 689-7297.*

**If are able to donate a bottle of wine (\$15 value or greater) for the wine pull please contact Paul Walsh at 690-2767 [or paul.walsh@cim.ca](mailto:paul.walsh@cim.ca)*

**If are able to donate an item (new items only) or gift card for the silent auction please contact Bill Legge at 685-4900.*

**If you can volunteer time to help organize and run the event, please contact Paul Walsh at 690-2767 [or paul.walsh@cim.ca](mailto:paul.walsh@cim.ca).*

CPR Training for AED Machine here at St. James next Saturday, February 15: 9am – noon. If you are interested in participating in a NEW Training session and becoming an attendant for St. James, can you please contact Susan Pike by email susanpike@warp.nfld.net or 576-0703 before February 13 to ensure we have space for all participants. Training is provided by The Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Monday, February 10: Loose Threads Sewing Studio, 2-5pm.

Tuesday, February 11 at 2pm: Pleasant View Towers Worship Service. Volunteers are asked to meet at 1:30 in the chapel to plan the congregation pick-ups; new volunteers are always welcome!

Wednesday February 12: Friendship Group meets; lunch at 1pm.

Friday, February 14: Valentine's Day Friendship and Fun event

Next Saturday, February 15:

***CPR Training, 9am-noon** in the Fellowship Room.

***TechTime, 10am-noon:** this week in the Youth Chapel.

***Ukelele class, 1:30pm** in the Youth Chapel.

* **Contemporary Worship Service, 4:30pm:** in the Fellowship Room.

Notice to all congregation members: Your Council has recently approved several action plans which affect all of us. As a result, we give notice of two upcoming congregational meetings in this regard, and advance notice of our Annual Meeting. We ask that members make every effort to attend these meetings.

Sunday February 23rd following the morning service to receive the report from our Diversity Committee and take the vote on becoming an Affirming Congregation.

Sunday March 1st following the morning service to share information on a proposal formulated by Stewardship to address our debt and financial future.

Sunday March 15th following the morning service our Annual Congregational Meeting to receive the Annual Report and Budget.

Heads-up for Lent:

***Annual Pancake supper,** Tuesday, February 25 at 5:30pm: Tickets will be available from the church office after Valentine's Day.

***Lenten Study Program: 'Signs of Life: Why Church Matters.'** A 5-week program on Thursday mornings at 10:30, starting March 5. Please contact Susan (722-1881, ext. 204 or susan@stjamesuc.org) to register; course materials will cost \$5.

Project Grace has partnered up with Big Brothers Big Sisters NL to sell 50/50 tickets for \$20 each; they can be purchased after the service in the front vestibule from Susan Pike, or by calling her 576-0703, or by emailing projectgraceln@gmail.com