

Life and Work – December 6, 2020

We would like to acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Hymn Sing:

*In memory of Lewis & Leah Bursey, Chesley & Mary Granter, daughter Kimberly Renee and brother Gordon Bursey from Doug & Joan Bursey

*In loving memory of mother & father Laura & Andrew Hillyard, brothers Bill, Ewart, Jack and Bert, sister Noreen, son-in-law Sean and brother-in-law Ivan from Roly & Marg and family

*in memory of our dear father Don, from Trevor & family, Paul Walsh and Robin Bartlett

*in memory of husband Raymond and daughter Cathy from Agnes Baggs

*in memory of loved ones from Vida Short

*in loving memory of husband Al Penney from wife Minnie.

Christmas Eve Services:

In light of the seating restrictions and limitations on church capacity, we have decided to offer two Christmas Eve services on December 24, 2020. The first being at 4:00 pm and the second at 7:30 pm to allow for sanitization between services. Should there be low numbers registered for the 4:00 service, it will be integrated into the one service at 7:30 pm. As per our Covid-19 policies, registration is required (700-6064) and the deadline for both services will be 4:00 pm on December 18, 2020. In the event the 4:00 pm service does not proceed, the registrants will be contacted regarding their attendance for the 7:30 pm service.

2021 Envelopes: If you are attending our Worship Service and are expecting envelopes for 2021, please ask an usher to collect them for you.

Food Drive for Bridges to Hope

Our youth are hosting a drive thru' food drive on Sunday, December 13th in the St. James parking lot from 12-2. It will be completely safe and contactless, all you have to do is drive up, drop your food donation and they will take care of the rest! All donations will be brought to Bridges to Hope.

NSO Presents Handel's Messiah Online: Friday, December 11 at 7:30pm

From the beautiful Basilica of St. John the Baptist, the NSO presents Handel's masterpiece, *Messiah* – sponsored by Cox & Palmer. The NSO is joined by a special choir of local singers, a cast of all Newfoundland and Labrador soloists including: Maria Lacey, soprano; Abra Whitney, contralto; David Pomeroy, tenor; and **Branden Olsen (St. James United Church's Associate Music Director)**, baritone under the direction of conductor Kathleen Allan. The concert will begin streaming online on Friday, December 11 at 7:30pm, and will be available then for 30-days for you to enjoy as many times as you wish during the Christmas season. For details and tickets visit www.nsomusic.ca or call Lynn Ann at 722-4441.

George St. United Church is offering fresh, locally grown, Christmas vegetable hampers:

Hampers are \$20 each, and contain potatoes, carrot, turnip, and cabbage (13 lbs of fresh local vegetables). Early Hamper orders must be in by Tuesday, December 15th to be picked or delivered on Wednesday, December 16th. Other orders must be in by Sunday, December 20th to be picked up or delivered on December 23rd. To order or request more information, please call the church office at 726-8775.

As a reward for your support, one purchaser and one seller will win a full turkey hamper with a fresh local turkey or a

Butterball Turkey and all the trimmings including the Old Port Salt beef and local vegetables from Keith's Farm and Roadside Market In CBS.

Message from our Treasurer:

"Here is a summary of where we are at the end of October:

Revenue:

Collections:	\$145,445
CEBA	10,000
CEWS	2,958
Other	<u>31,899</u>
Total	190,302

Expenses:

Church	53,949
Assessments	17,101
Committees	806
Salaries	<u>118,547</u>
Total	190,403

Net Loss: \$101

We cannot compare these figures to 2019 as they are two totally different years.

Thank you all for supporting St. James; it is very much appreciated. We will get through this year and will have many more years to come.

Jean Thompson, Treasurer."

Thank you very much to all who continue to support St. James. Your efforts to send your contributions in the mail, drop them off at the secure mailbox at the church, and send them online are very much appreciated. Thanks also to those who have continued with their PAR contributions - Pre-Authorized Remittance. All members of the congregation are encouraged to consider PAR as a convenient means of making your financial contribution to St. James.

You can set up PAR so that your donation will be made monthly, automatically, from your bank account. You can set up a donation for any amount, and you can update, cancel or change at any time. Just e-mail the church office at info@stjamesuc.org and we'll get the information to you