

Life and Work – October 17, 2021

We offer our sincere condolences to Oliver Wellon on the passing of his sister-in-law (Gladys) Grace Butler on Oct 10, 2021.

Resting at Carnell's, visitation and funeral announcement will come later this week.

We gratefully accept the following donations to the Memorial Fund:

- *In loving memory of Albert Styles from Theresa Carey.
- *In loving memory of Albert Styles from Shirley Knee.
- *In loving memory of Albert Styles from Elizabeth Patey.
- *In loving memory of Albert Styles from Ronald and Lorraine Robbins.

We gratefully accept the following donation to the Cemetery Fund:

- *In loving memory of Edward Freake from Elizabeth Freake

We gratefully accept the following donation to the General Fund:

- *In loving memory of Albert Styles from Linda and Charlie Babstock.

Congratulations to Katie Vardy!

Katie had their Candidacy interview last week and, of course, did very well. Now in their second year at Emmanuel College, Katie is officially a candidate for ordained ministry. Well done, Katie!

UCW Meeting - will be held on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 2:00 pm in the auditorium. We hope to see you all there.

Looking for a new home for your microwave?

St. James is seeking a gently used microwave for our young adult study space that we are hosting at the church weekdays from 10 am to 2 pm. Contact (Rev.) James if you are able to help us out.

Meeting our New Minister:

Now that (Rev.) James has settled into St. John's, he is looking forward to meeting members of our congregation. There are a couple of options for this:

1. A Virtual Mug-Up: James is scheduling Zoom meeting on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm and on Thursdays at 10:30 am. If you are interested in having a virtual chat, connect with Tracy via email (info@stjamesuc.org), or call the office (722-1881) for Zoom invitation details.

2. A Masked Face-to-Face: Alternatively, James is open to come see you for a visit (while maintaining proper health protocols). To arrange a visit, email him at james@stjamesuc.org or give him a call at 351-0983.

In October, we celebrate National Coming Out Day.

The Diversity Committee will be hosting a panel discussion, moderated by Rev. James, on Sunday, October 17, after the 11am worship service, centered around "coming out".

This panel will be lived streamed on Facebook and viewers will have the opportunity to text in any questions they may have.

Please join us in celebrating and learning about what it means to "come out" and how you can make a difference.

COP26 Meditation Walk: In anticipation of the upcoming United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, St. James United Church is hosting a Meditation Walk at 10 AM on Saturday, October 23.

This two hour walk in the neighbourhood and along Rennie's River Trail will begin and end in the church parking lot (330 Elizabeth Avenue). We will pause at various spots along the way to reflect on the gift of creation and to consider our impact on it.

All are welcome!

Hygiene Drive for SHOP: The Young Adults Group of Cowan Heights United Church are gathering hygiene products for the Safe Harbour Outreach Project (SHOP).

They will be hosting a collection drive for products at Cowan Heights United, 141 Frecker Drive, St. John's on Sunday, October 24th between 12:30pm - 2:30pm.

However, you can also bring your items to church at St. James United and drop them off in the box located in the Narthex. The box will be here until the end of October. If you have items and can NOT drop off to the church you can call Robin at 682-3927, or e-mail robinbartlett1224@gmail.com for pickup of donations.

The following items are most needed: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, body wash, new underwear of all sizes, socks, face wipes, razors, and dry shampoo. Thank you in advance for your support!

Upcoming Turkey Tea: In celebration of our congregational anniversary, St. James' Stewardship Committee is organizing the sale of turkey teas on Wednesday, November 10, 2021.

Each takeout meal is \$12.00, and it includes fresh roasted turkey, ham, two potato salads, macaroni salad, coleslaw, dressing, cranberry sauce, a roll, butter, and a cookie for dessert.

What a feast! And what a great price!

Prepared by the good folks at Coffee Matters, we receive a portion of the cost of each meal. Stay tuned for details about how to buy your turkey tea.

Save the Date for Our Covenanting Service: On Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 7:00 pm we are celebrating our new ministry with James and our ministry team at St. James United Church.

Rev. Miriam Bowlby from Cochrane Street United Church will be the guest preacher. Come and pray both as a community of faith and with representatives of First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council as we give thanks for this new pastoral relationship. All are welcome.

Topsail United Church

Please join us for our Fall Flea Market !!

WHEN: Saturday, October 16, 2021, from 9:30am - 2:00pm.

Admission \$1.00

All Covid 19 regulations and Social Distancing measures will be followed.

Fall UCW Bakeless Bake Sale:

Before the pandemic, the UCW would be busy preparing for our Annual Fall Sale and Morning Coffee on Saturday, November 6th.

Your donations of items for the bake and craft tables, and your attendance have always helped make our sales a tremendous success. Since March 2020, we have missed three sales which would have enabled us to contribute approximately \$15,000.00 to aid the church financially.

For this year's Fall Sale we are having a Bakeless Bake Sale and collecting monetary donations in lieu of items. Think about what you would spend on an in-person sale (baking, buying, entry fee, etc) and we hope that you will turn that into a financial contribution to our virtual sale.

How to Donate - Be sure to include "For UCW Sale" on cheque, or special instructions with Donate button or e-transfer.

1. Cheque or cash. Make cheque payable to "St. James UCW Sale" and a) pass into collection plate, b) place in outside mail slot by side door of church, c) drop into church office (10-2 Mon-Fri), or d) mail cheque to:

St. James United Church
330 Elizabeth Ave
St. John's NL A1B 1T9

2. Donate button on church website
3. E-transfer to treasurer@stjamesuc.org

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Annual On-line Auction started on Tuesday, October 12, at 8 a.m., and will run until Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 11:00 P.M., please visit the auction site at <https://www.charityauctionstoday.com>

On Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 8:00 A.M. you will see Topsail United Church 2021 event.

Please support our Major Fundraiser for this year.

Good Luck to all bidders and thank you for your continued support!