# Life and Work – November 21, 2021

## We gratefully accept the following donation to the Memorial Fund:

In loving memory of William and Nellie Bishop from their family, Beverly Wicks, Keith and Karen Bishop, Kara, Stephen, Joshua, and Juliana Sheppard.

We offer our sincere condolences to Glenda Winsor and Gloria Le Feuvre and families on the passing of their brother Derek Butt on Sunday, November 14, 2021. A celebration of life will take place at a later date.

### Volunteers Needed! It's that time of year again!

Time to decorate the church for the Christmas season and we need help to do justice to our decorating. We will be at the church on Thursday, November 25, 2021 from 10:30am-12:30pm, and again on Saturday, November 27 from 10:00am until it is finish. Please join us on either, or both days, if you have any time to share. Lots of fun and laughs abound.

All ages and abilities welcome!

### **Introducing "The Great Christmas Visit"**

The Advent-Christmas season is upon us. It is a favourite time of year for so many, especially because it is a great time to connect with loved ones (while following public health protocols).

Family and friends include all of the church family, so why not reach out to members of St. James United Church who may be feeling isolated or lonely, especially if they have trouble getting around or are staying in due to the pandemic.

You can participate in our Great Christmas Visit by simply signing up and you will be matched with someone to visit this holiday season (remember to wear your mask and stay 2 meters apart).

Visit with your match at some point between Sunday, November 28, 2021 and Thursday, January 6, 2022, extending to them the care of this faith community.

A Masked Face-to-Face: (Rev.) 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.

**GOOD NEWS!** There have been some changes made to the Special Measures Orders by the Chief Medical Officer of Health that impact us as a Faith Community. Effective immediately, pre-registration will not be required as we are able to expand to full capacity with no social distancing required. Seating will no longer be determined as you can seat yourself. To accomplish this we must continue to wear masks at all times, provide proof of vaccination and personal identification, and lists of attendees at worship services will be maintained.

A truly remarkable move forward. St James RE-Opening Team

#### **A New Committee**

Are you interested in community issues like systemic racism, housing insecurity and right relations with Indigenous peoples?

Do you worry about climate change and loss of biodiversity?

Are you concerned about international conflicts and other global issues?

Then you will be interested in a new ad hoc committee that we are establishing to help us respond to social and ecological justice issues.

Contact James for more information.

Email: james@stjamesuc.org Phone: 722-1881 ext 202

Cell: 351-0983

## **Regional Fall Learning Event**

This year's Fall Learning event will take a lunch and learn approach through a series of presentations via Zoom. The event is open to all members of Pastoral Charges in our Regional Council at no cost.

Thursday, November 25, 2021: New Study Immersion Presenter: Rev. Dr. Richard Bott (Our Moderator)

#### **Zatoun Products**

St. James is again offering Zatoun Olive Oil for sale. Zatoun products reflect the rich culture and the essence of Palestine, and they make perfect fair-trade gifts. Proceeds benefit farmers and

children living in occupied Palestine and create awareness for peace in Palestine. COST: Olive Oil is being sold for \$20.00 per bottle, contact Karen Brown at 437-1520 or email tomkarenbrown@yahoo.com You can contact Tracy at the church office (722-1881) to get yours now!

# **Community News**

Memorial United Church Portugal Cove: Bake & Craft Table

When: Saturday November 27, 2021 from 10:30-12:30

Price: \$5:00 with children under 3 free

Masks and nl vax pass required

NOTE: we cannot serve Coffee or Tea for this event.

**BRIDGES TO HOPE** - We are very excited to announce that Bridges to Hope has been selected as the recipient of

Tim Horton's Holiday Smile Cookie Campaign.

From Monday, Nov 22 – Sunday, Nov 28 100% of proceeds from each cookie sold will help to feed over 10,000 of your neighbors. This includes all Tim Horton's Restaurants in the greater St. John's Area and will have a huge impact on reducing hunger this Holiday Season.

We need your help to ensure we raise the most funds possible during this one-time amazing opportunity.

**Coastal Sounds Choir Association** in CBS is recruiting for the paid position of artistic director of coastal sounds community choir. Position to start in January. Email info@coastalsounds.ca for more info.

George Street United Church and the Jimmy Pratt Memorial Outreach Center CHRISTMAS Vegetable Hampers, offering fresh local Vegetable Hampers at Christmas time. Hampers include 13 pounds of locally grown vegetables including potatoes, cabbage, carrots, and turnip. This would make a wonderful gift for friends and family at Christmas.

Pick-up dates: December 21, 22, and 23.

Cost: Hampers are \$20.00 each.

To place your order please contact: Ruth Butler at 722-4961, Ruby Shea at 745-4807, Nancy McCarthy at 726-8775 (Office), or George Parsons at 685-0066.

There will be ticket prize draws for sellers and purchasers.

**Gower Street United Church's Seniors Group** is planning to hold a Seniors' Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 30th November, starting at 6pm (doors open at 5.30pm).

Gower has adopted the policy of requiring a vaccine passport (and a photo ID) to enter the church building. If you do not already have such a passport, please let us know in plenty of time and we will help you acquire one.

Entertainment will be provided by the Walsh Family.

A door prize (tickets \$2). And Gift Bags.

COST: Ticket \$20

If you need transportation, please let us know when booking your tickets!

**DEADLINE FOR BOOKING:** 4pm 23rd NOVEMBER 2021

**CONTACT**: office@gowerunited.com or 753-7286

### George St. United Church

Saturday, November 27, 2021 George St. United Church presents your two favourite princess sisters who went on a holiday adventure to visit Santa but now they're lost in St. John's!

Can you help them get back in time for Christmas?!?

Join Anna, Elsa, and some other special guests for a Christmas sing-along you won't want to miss!

**Show 1:** 11am - 12pm **Show 2:** 5pm – 6pm

**COST:** Tickets are \$25 each. Tickets available at www.quayconcerts.com

# **George St. United Church**

Join Newfoundland Music Legend, Bud Davidge with Hamilton Sound as they ring in the Holidays in Traditional Newfoundland style. Enjoy your favorite Simani songs including those from their Iconic Christmas Album, Christmas Fancy. If that weren't enough, Corey Crewe (Corey and Trina) will be along with some tales and tunes to tickle your funny bone.

WHEN: Friday, December 10, 2021 at George St. United Church

**COST:** Tickets are \$35 each and are available at www.quayconcerts.com

Theatre CBS Presents: "ITS A WONDERFUL WORLD"

**WHEN:** Dec. 3, 4, 5

WHERE: The Royal Canadian Legion, 60 Legion Road, CBS.

Ticket Info: Seniors/Students \$20, Adults \$25. Available at www.theatrecbs.com or by

e mail theatrecbs@gmail.com

Friday and Saturday shows: 7:30 P.M. arrive at 7 P.M. Sunday Afternoon Matinee: 2 P.M. arrive by 1:30 P.M. Covid 19 Protocols in place and Vax Passes required.