Life and Work – November 28, 2021

We offer our condolences to Sheila Beckett and David Beckett and their families on the passing of husband and father, James Alan Beckett, who passed on Wednesday, November 17, 2021. Funeral service was held at St. James United on Saturday, November 20, 2021.

We offer our condolences to Elizabeth, Lloyd, Randy, and their families on the passing of their mother Ethel Butler who passed on November 12, 2021. Funeral service was held at St. James United on November 17, 2021.

We gratefully accept the following donations to the General Fund:

*In memory of Jim Beckett from Sylvia Cole *In memory of Jim Beckett from Barbara Butt *In memory of Art Downey (November 30,1932 - Jan 3, 2010) A loving and wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. From wife Shirley, daughters Donna, Denise, and Deanne, and their families.

We gratefully accept the following donation to the Memorial Fund:

*In memory of Jim Beckett from Sid and Menetha Dyke *In loving memory of Cecil G. Cole from Muriel & Family.

We gratefully accept the following donation to the Sunday School and Youth program:

*In memory of Jim Beckett from George and June Osmond

"Blue Christmas" Service

This will be held at St. James United Church on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Please extend this invitation to members of the congregation who have had a death in the family this past year as well as anyone who may be feeling blue because of job loss, illness, the end of a relationship, have become empty nesters, etc. The service is co-led by the ministers of the NE Avalon.

St. James Weekly Email: Keep up to date on all things happening at St. James by signing up to receive our weekly Congregational emails. Contact Tracy to be added to the list. Office: 722-1881 or email: info@stjamesuc.org

Upcoming Young Adult Event:

Are you between 18 and 35 (give or take)?

Want to hang out with others around the same age?

SJUC's young adult group meets regularly on the 1st Wednesday of the month. This coming Wednesday, December 1 at 7 pm, we will gather at the church for "Christmas-Special-Palooza", a chance to watch classic animated and stop motion Christmas shows.

Wear your ugly Christmas sweaters, or a Santa Hat. Hot Chocolate provided. BYO-Treats.

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 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.

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!

Wishing Amy Dalziel the best of luck with the upcoming arrival of her little bundle of joy!!

Community News

MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH PORTUGAL COVE

BAKE TABLE & CRAFT TABLE Due to Covid Regulations we can not serve Coffee or Tea for this event. WHEN: SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2021 from 10:30-12:30. PRICE: \$5:00 with CHILDREN UNDER 3 FREE MASKS REQUIRED and NL VAX PASS REQUIRED

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.

George St. United Church

Join Newfoundland Music Legend, Bud Davidge with Hamilton Sound as they ring in the Holidays in Traditional Newfoundland style.

WHEN: Friday, December 10, 2021 George St. United Church **COST:** Tickets are \$35 each and are available at <u>www.quayconcerts.com</u>

Cowan Heights United Church

Mid-Week Advent Worship: Join us on Wednesday evenings this upcoming Advent season for a more reflective and quiet service. Through times of silence, poetry, scripture, and song, we will be reflecting, longing, waiting, and discovering as Advent people on this journey through the December darkness. December 1, 8, 15, and 22 at 7:00 p.m. You can register for the services by visiting our website www.cowanheightsunited.ca or by calling (709) 745-2871.

Eastern Health: "Grieving: Coping with the Holidays"

During this presentation, we discuss practical ideas and suggestions which can help you deal with your grief and face the memories and feelings that the holiday season may bring.

Session 1: Wednesday, Dec 1, 2021 02:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Please visit this address to join the webinar: https://zoom.us/j/95410843672?pwd=Zm5GcythSjZmWG9VU3hYMnF4YkZqZz09 **Or join by phone:** Canada Toll Free: 1- 587-328-1099 or 1-647-374-4685 Webinar ID: 954 1084 3672 Passcode: 343279

Session 2: Wednesday, Dec 1, 2021 06:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Please visit this address to join the webinar: https://zoom.us/j/91625403718?pwd=UmxYMW1selYySEJET2xhSE5oZWxxUT09 **Or join by phone:** Canada Toll Free: 1- 587-328-1099 or 1-647-374-4685 Webinar ID: 916 2540 3718 Passcode: 579548 For further information, please contact: Grief and Bereavement Services at 777-6959 Email: GriefandBereavement@easternhealth.ca These sessions are free and open to the public. No registration is required

November 2021

Dear Friends in the groups and congregations of The United Church of Canada:

Greetings to you from Stella's Circle

We are thankful for the many blessings from The United Church of Canada that enable Stella's Circle to provide programs and support to more than 1000 individuals who come to us from all over Newfoundland & Labrador.

We are hoping that United Church congregations, Men's and Women's organizations around the province, will join us again this year in ensuring that no one is left out at Christmas time. Each year we endeavor to provide a meaningful gift, showing that someone cares for them at this special time. Please join us in giving the gift of hope to those most in need in our province.

A "wish list" is provided to assist you in choosing items we need most. Please ensure that all gifts are new items as we are unable to accept used items. Receiving your donations earlier in December will ensure that we are able to distribute gifts to participants for Christmas. Donations received after Christmas, will be gratefully accepted for participants' needs in the New Year.

On behalf of Stella's Circle, thank you for your support and we wish each of you wellness and all the blessings of a heart-felt Christmas.

Sincerely yours, Cathy White Executive Assistant/Donor Relations Stella's Circle

Christmas Wish List

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Household Items	Personal Care Items (for all adults)
Dishes	Shampoo & conditioner (in one)
Pot & pans	Shampoo
Forks, knives, spoons	Conditioner
Utensils	Deodorant
Cutting board	Hair brushes, combs, elastics
Kettle	Hair spray and gels
Toaster	Razors
Plastic mixing bowls	Shaving creams and gels
Electric mixer	Toothbrush and toothpaste
Dish cloths & pot cloths	Soap
Single sheets	Body wash
(twin and some double & queen)	Moisturizer and hand lotion
Cups, mugs and glasses	Q-tips
Pie Plates, cake/pizza pans	Lip balm
Baking sheets	Nail care items (clippers, nail file)
Can openers	Feminine hygiene products
Colander	(especially tampons)
Blankets & pillows	Dental floss
Dish racks	Hairspray
Casserole dishes	Face cleanser (such as Cetaphil)
Bath/Hand towels & face cloths	Make up wipes
Frying pans (non-stick)	unscented toiletries appreciated
Mops, buckets, brooms	
Garbage bags	Other Helpful Items (for all adults)
Basic household cleaners	Socks
Laundry detergent	Underwear (XS up to and including 5X)
Dish liquid	Night shirts
Light bulbs	Pyjamas and pyjama bottoms
Reusable water bottles	Slippers
Throw blankets	Night wear sizes Large-5X
Alarm clocks	Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves
Lysol wipes and Hand Sanitizer	Winter wear (Coats, Jackets)
Paper towels & toilet paper	Leggings of all sizes
	Footwear
	(indoor & outdoor, especially for winter)
	Movie passes
	Gift cards valued at \$5 & \$10
	(Subway, Tim Hortons, Sobeys,
	Walmart, etc.)
	Adult colouring/doodling books & colouring leads
	Playing Cards, Games