Life and Work - January 23, 2022

NOTICE: Worship / Office Update

Given that we are to remain in COVID 19 Alert Level 4, for the foreseeable future, there will be no In-Person Worship Service held at St. James until Public Health announces the lifting of restrictions.

Saturday services at 4:30pm will be virtual worship services, and Sunday services at 11:00am will be live-streamed from the sanctuary with essential participants only.

The office building will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, with the Office Administrator, available via virtual office on these days by email at info@stjamesuc.org or call 722-1881 ext 200. Regular in-person office hours (10am-2pm) will resume for Wednesdays - Fridays. We ask that you not visit the building unless absolutely necessary and only by arranged appointments.

Our clergy, James and Susan will continue to work from home. Should you wish to contact either of them please leave a message with the office which will be forwarded to them OR they can also be reached directly by email.

James at james@stjamesuc.org

Susan at susan@stjamesuc.org

The emergency pager is functional should the need arise.

Call 727-4067 and one of the ministers will respond

We advise all groups to defer their in-person meetings until the next update from Public Health, unless they are of an urgent nature and/or are permitted under the Public Health guidelines.

Please continue to maintain contact with each other during these challenging times. Together, we will get through this.

Please stay safe and blessings to you all.

Marilyn Adams, Council Chair

Donations

We gratefully accept the following donation to the General Fund:

*In loving memory of Ruby Hiscock from Joan Barbour.

We gratefully accept the following donations to the Cemetery Fund:

- *In loving memory of husband Bas Jamieson from Lorna.
- *In loving memory of father Capt. Walter Blackwood from Lorna.
- *In loving memory of mother Mildred Blackwood from Lorna.
- *In loving memory of brother Walter Blackwood Jr. from Lorna.
- *In loving memory of sister Ida Dowden from Lorna.

We offer our deepest condolences to the family of Ethel Templeman (nee Hounsell) who passed peacefully away at St. Luke's Nursing Home on Monday, January 17, 2022, in her 102nd year. The funeral service took place at Barrett's Funeral Home on January 20th at 11am.

2022 "My Offering" envelopes are available for pick up at the office.

Please get in touch with Tracy at the office 722-1881 to make arrangements to have these picked up.

Setting Up a Phone Tree: In order to help everyone stay connected, especially as we continue to navigate this pandemic, we are setting up a phone tree at St. James. You can help out by volunteering to make regular phone calls to a small group of families. Please let James know of your interest in this initiative by emailing him at james@stjamesuc.org.

Online Pub Theology Evening for Young Adults: On February 2 at 7:30 pm, James is hosting a pub theology evening. But this time it is via Zoom. So, if you are between 19 and 30 something, and like chatting about faith, spirituality and any other of life's big questions, then grab a beverage, turn on your laptop and login with friends. Email james@stjamesuc.org for Zoom login details.

Mystery Envelope left at St. James sometime before Christmas with the label Wendy, Shawn, Sidney & Ryder. We are hoping to return the envelope to the owners. It was found in the Sanctuary on the right side close to the front of the sanctuary and by the side door. Connect with Tracy at the office if you have any information.

Message from the Minister

Confirmation Classes: Anyone 12 and older is invited to register for Confirmation Classes. This will be a six-session program to be held in February and March. The format (online or in person) to be determined by Public Health Regulations. If you would like more information or to register please contact Susan Sheppard by email at susan@stjamesuc.org by January 31.