Life and Work – May 22, 2022

We acknowledge a donation to the General Fund:

*In Loving Memory of Bethany Danielle Pike (January 8,1988 – May 27, 2008) from Dot & Dave Hapgood.

We acknowledge a donation to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund:

*In Loving Memory of Bethany Danielle Pike (January 8,1988 – May 27, 2008) from Stephen, Susan, Rebecca, & Kyle.

It is with sincerest apologies we acknowledge donations to the Memorial Hymn Sing that were overlooked last Sunday:

(the complete list is available on the website)

- *Isaac & Phyllis Thomas in memory of loved ones.
- *Joy Bartlett in memory of Husband Donald, and our parents.
- *Ann Emberley in memory of Husband Carlson, and Son Brian/
- *Myrna & Albert Arklie in memory of loved ones.
- *George & Jean White in memory of loved ones.
- *Shirley Bursey in memory of Joanne Bursey-Fifield and Murley.
- *Jennifer & Graham Hill in memory of loved ones.
- *Lorna Jamieson in memory of loved ones.
- *Audrey Burry in memory Leo Doyle, Susan & Ronald Burry.
- *Mary Daya in memory of Mother, Hannah Piercey.
- *George & Rosemary White in memory of Eric & Roma Paul, and Lily & Gideon Paul.
- *Sylvia Cole in memory of parents and grandparents.
- Stephen, Susan, Rebecca Pike, & Kyle Winter in memory of Bethany Danielle Pike and Joanne Hapgood BN., RN
- *Claire Higdon in memory of Husband, Fred Higdon.
- *Mother, Evelyn, Verna, Donna, Marlene, Angie, and families in memory of Sandra Blackwood Sullivan.

We extend our condolences to Mabel Russell on the passing of her sister, Elsie Hill on May 18, 2022. Funeral service was held on May 21, 2022 at Barrett's Funeral home.

We also extend our condolences to Paul and Jean Thompson on the passing of Paul's mother, NellieThompson. Visitation is at Barrett's Funeral Home Lemarchant Road on Monday, May 23, 2022 from 2-4pm and 7-9 pm. Funeral will be held at the Barrett's chapel on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 2:00pm.

A Bit More about the Ocean: In preparation for Ocean Sunday on June 12, here are some more interesting facts about the ocean, especially regarding Climate Change:

- 1. Did you know that without the ocean, the earth would be much warmer? That is because the ocean absorbs much of the sun's heat. This has been good for us but with the planet's atmosphere warming, the ocean has been warming too. Many plants and animals are being impacted by this. Fish that need cooler temperatures are moving further north. Some people have noticed new fish species moving into the waters around Newfoundland. Warming waters contribute to the bleaching of coral reefs.
- 2. Warming may also impact the ocean currents which help to moderate climate as well as transmit nutrients. We are impacted by two the Labrador Current and the Gulf Stream. We don't want those to be disrupted. The warming of the atmosphere is impacting glaciers. As they melt, the salinity lowers. This too can impact ocean currents.

- 3. The sea level is also rising, impacting our own coasts and and not just islands in the Caribbean and the Pacific.
- 4. Finally, oceans are becoming more acidic as they absorb CO2. This is having an impact on shellfish. A more acidic ocean hinders their ability to produce strong shells. We rely on the ocean in so many ways. So let's protect it.

Forest Church will meet next Saturday afternoon, May 28th, 4pm at Susan's, 397 Thorburn Road. Dress for the weather, bring a camp chair or blanket if you wish. More details will be available next week if you need to bring anything else.

Stewardship Committee will host an **after-service picnic** on Sunday, June 12 (weather permitting) conjointly with our Social and Environment Awareness & Action Committee.

The Sashbear Organization is a registered charity with the motto of making waves for mental health and suicide prevention. There is no government funding and all money raised is through volunteers. All programming is free to the Canadian public and is by self referral. Our organizing committee is creating a walk to increase the awareness around mental health and as a fundraiser. We are looking for volunteers and participants.

This is the 10th anniversary of the walk but has never been held here in Newfoundland. Participants have sponsors who donate money via Sashbear's website. People can register or donate at SASHBEAR.ORG. Registration is free but there are various prizes depending on how much you raise.

Date: Saturday, June 18th **Time:** 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Where: Bowring Park

Who: Anyone in St. John's and the surrounding communities, all Newfoundlanders and anyone who loves to support a great cause.

What: A 5 km walk where you can walk the whole distance, part of the distance or even none of the distance.

This is an accessible event.

There is live entertainment, a kids' zone, dogs' zone, mediation bridge and much more.

Let's make Sashbear rock on The Rock!

Coastal Sounds Choir Association Presents Earth Song Spring Concert with Music by Aurora Women's Choir and Coastal Sounds Community Choir, on Sunday May 29 from 3 until 5 at Topsail United Church with Guest Violinist Rosemary Lawton. Donations for the Community Food Bank greatly appreciated, Door Prizes from Newfoundland Chocolate Company, Home Hardware in Manuels and Jumping Bean Coffee. Tickets \$20 are available on Eventbrite by visiting https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/earth-song-spring-concert-by-csca-tickets-340335401347

Social and Environment Awareness & Action Committee:

In recognition of **World Oceans Day on** June 8, St. James' S & E Action Committee has planned the following events leading up to it, as well as for **World Oceans Sunday on June 12. We invite you to join us to** be better stewards of our environment.

- Please collect all of your plastic bottle caps. Deposit them in the 5-gallon bucket at the church. Seaside Reclaimed will collect them. They are a local eco-conscious business that turns the plastic into useful items like key chains and soap dishes. (How cool is that?!)
- Two garbage clean-ups:
 - 1. May 29 from 9:30 to 11:30 am -- along the Long Pond trail on the wooded side (north side), starting at the Fluvarium. Park at Fluvarium.

2. **June 12 from 12:30-ish to 2 pm --** on our church grounds, PWC grounds and the next door neighbourhood grounds, after our picnic

Invite your family, friends and neighbours! Dress appropriately. Bring gloves, a stick with a spike or a "pick up" tool, your re-usable drink bottle and snacks. Clean St. John's will provide the bags and garbage collection. These will happen as long as it's not too wet out.

- On Sunday, June 12 will also be a casual Sunday service for this! Wear jeans and a blue top!
- Also on June 12, we'll hear a recorded message from Shawn Bath of Clean Harbours Initiative.
- Got any recent photos of oceans and beaches showing the clean parts or the dirty ones? We're compiling a slide show. Please send them to Rev. James or drop them at the office to be scanned.

The Hollow- A Theatre CBS Production

What happens when a doctor finds himself with his wife, his mistress and a former lover on a weekend retreat? An unhappy game of romantic follow-the-leader explodes in The Hollow, by Agatha Christie. Presented by Theatre CBS, June 2, 3 and 4 at All Saints Parish Hall (Foxtrap). For ticket information, visit TheatreCBS.com.