

Life and Work – September 4, 2022

Office Closure: The office will be closed on Monday, September 5, 2022, to observe the Labour Day Holiday.

A New Chaplain at Queens: We have some news to share. (Rev.) James has been approached by the leadership team at Queens College to be their student chaplain for the coming academic year. This will be in addition to his responsibilities at St. James.

Upcoming Newsletter: The summer may still be in full swing but the fall season for St. James is just around the corner. This means that it is time to get started on the fall edition of "The Visitor". We would like to hear from our committees, members and staff about upcoming events coming up and other news that the members of St. James may like to know about. Please send a short article about all the great happenings, 200-300 words, by Friday, September 9, 2022.

Please send it to Glen at: gpwarren98@yahoo.com. He looks forward to hearing from you.

Forest Church is now called Wild Light Spiritual Oasis: Recently, those who regularly attend Forest Church prayer services have engaged in a renaming exercise. The intent is to broaden our outreach beyond St. James and connect with others in St. John's who appreciate nature-based spiritual activities. We invite you to spread the news, including sharing with people the Facebook page for the group: fb.me/wildlightnl

Cowan Heights United Church Take-Out Hot Turkey Dinners:

For tickets, please call Cowan Heights United Church office at: 745-2871.

Deadline to order: September 18th

Pick up: Sept 24th at 4:30PM at Cowan Heights United

Cost: \$20

Your meal will include: Fresh Turkey (White & Dark meat), Dressing, Potatoes, Carrots, Turnip, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Roll and Butter Pattie, and a Desert!

Flowerbed Renewal: Prepare to be pleasantly surprised the next time you come to the church office. Our Property Committee have engaged a landscape professional to help us renew the flowerbed in front of the office annex. Most plants will be repositioned in the bed while a few will be replanted in other flowerbeds around the church.

Another Date Change, this time for Welcome Sunday:

We have decided to push forward the date of our "Welcome Sunday" by a week to September 25 to give various church groups more time to put together an information display, and for members to reach out to invite friends and neighbours to join them for worship.

Orange Shirt Day is Coming Up: Each year on September 30, we mark Truth and Reconciliation Day in Canada, also known as Orange Shirt Day. We are encouraged to wear an orange shirt on that day, and in fact any day, in support of survivors of Indian Residential Schools and their families who are also impacted by their experience.

There are a couple of ways that you can prepare for this day:

The first is to order an Orange Shirt from First Light at a cost of \$20. All shirts are unisex style. This year's shirt features the winning design by Franke Kelly, age 10.

You can order a shirt at: <https://sjnfc.wildapricot.org/osd>

Another possibility is to purchase a beaded pin in the shape of an orange shirt. They are made by a Metis artisan and the cost is \$35.00.

You can email Rev. James (james@stjamesuc.org) and he will place the order for you.

Purchasing a shirt supports the development and construction of the Residential School Memorial Garden, located at 40 Quidi Vidi Road, which has been designed in consultation with residential school survivors!

If you have any questions about ordering, please email: info@firstlightnl.ca, or call: 726-5902 and select general inquiries.