St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith 330 Elizabeth Ave, St. John's, NL A1B 1T9



The people of St. James United Church are eternal seekers who value diversity within our congregation, our city, and all of society. We affirm each person's uniqueness and believe that all persons deserve to be valued, treated with equity, and respected. We are all children of God, walking many paths of spirituality.

Further, we proudly and publicly declare our commitment to practice radical hospitality and strive in every way to provide a safe and supportive place for all persons to participate in the worship and work of our church.

Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we embrace all persons, regardless of creed, race, age, ability, economic status, cultural and ethnic background, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or any other difference that has led to marginalization or oppression.

October 30, 2022 – All Saints / Reformation Sunday

Leading Worship Today: Rev. James Ravenscroft Leading Music: Amy Dalziel and the Contemporary Ensemble Ushering: Kim Mayo, Marilyn Adams, Jean Thompson, and Susan Pike

We Come to Worship

MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE

We extend words of greeting in M'ikmawi'simk, Bangla and Arabic as we gather as a community and light the candle as a sign of Christ's presence.

HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Voices United 315)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND AND KINSHIP

We give thanks for the land and the Indigenous peoples who continue to steward it; we also commit to be an inclusive community for all.

TIME TO REMEMBER (VIDEO)

We remember loved ones in our family and congregation who have died.

RESPONSIVE OPENING PRAYER

One: For all who have walked this way before us, whose lives have spoken to our hearts and touched us with God's love.

All: We praise you O God.

One: For all who live beside us, whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own, as we walk God's path together.

All: We praise you O God.

One: For all who live beyond us, who challenge us to model God's way and inspire us to transform the world on their behalf.

All: We praise you O God. Amen.

MEDLEY: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace/I am the Dream"

We Share

OUR LIFE AND WORK

We acknowledge the connection between our work and worship as we announce what is going on in our congregation and community.

OFFERTORY: "In Gratitude & Humble Trust" (Voices United 544)

In gratitude and humble trust, we bring our best today to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way. O God, you give yourself to us in Jesus Christ, your Son, teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

We dedicate our offerings to the work of God's love and justice. Tax receipts issued at year-end if donor's name and address are provided.

We Listen

LEARNING TOGETHER

We explore themes of the day in a manner that is accessible to all ages.

HYMN: "I Am the Dream" (More Voices 106)

CENTERING PRAYER

We guiet our minds in preparation to hear the readings of the day.

READINGS: Ephesians 1:11-23, Luke 19:1-10, Excerpt from Leonard Cohen's Beautiful Losers

ANTHEM: "What Does the Lord Require of You" (Mark Miller)

MESSAGE: "Living in Beloved Community"

We Respond

HYMN: "My Life Flows on" (Voices United 716)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for the needs of our global and local communities, knowing that what we pray for we in turn are called to do something about.

THE PRAYER OF JESUS

Please pray in your first language. This is a traditional version in English:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We Leave to Serve

HYMN: "For All the Saints" (Voices United 705)

BENEDICTION

One: May God bless you...and give you peace. All: Amen.

One: As you go into the world blessed, go also as a blessing to others.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Creative Corner

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Lead Minister:

Youth/Christian Education Minister:

Minister Emeritus:

James Ravenscroft, OM
Susan Sheppard, DLM
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Life and Work - October 30, 2022

We offer our sincere condolences to: David Hapgood, Susan and Rebecca Pike, their families and friends on the passing of Dorothy "Dot" Hapgood. Her funeral was held at St. James on Wednesday, October 26, 2022.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations to the Cemetery Fund:

- * In loving memory of Parents, Cassandra and Edison Butt from son Samuel and Daughter in law Brenda.
- * In memory of Dorothy Hapgood, from Muriel Cole

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Fund:

- * In loving memory of Jacob Parsons, from his wife Effie.
- * In memory of Dorothy Hapgood from the Schofield Family
- * In memory of Dorothy Hapgood, from Fred and Pam Earle
- * In memory of Dorothy Hapgood, from Aubrey and Ruby Hill

We gratefully acknowledge the following donation to the General Fund:

* In memory of Dorothy Hapgood from Michelle and Perry Winter

We gratefully acknowledge the following donation to the Operating Expense Fund:

* In memory of Dorothy Hapgood, from Vera Marshall

UCW Fall Sale and Morning Coffee:

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Fall Sale & Morning Coffee

Sponsored by the UCW St. James Auditorium

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Time: 9:45 - 12 Noon Cost: \$8.00

Co-Conveners: Barbara Butt: (709) 687-1041

Sheliah Beckett: (709) 726-7421

Tickets: May be purchased at the church office or at the door.

Donations: all donations of baked goods, handiwork, knitted goods and crafts would be very much appreciated. *We also ask if everyone can please bring their own shopping bag*

Pub Theology: It's time again for conversation about faith, spirituality, and life's big questions, all over a glass of your favourite beverage. Pub Theology will be held on Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 pm at Guy'nor.

Ukulele Group - Ukulele practice group will be on Saturdays from 11AM to 12PM in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome!

Sewing Studio: 1-3 pm Monday, October 31, November 7, and 14th in the Fellowship Room at St. James. (7-9 pm at Memorial United, Portugal Cove) All levels welcome, bring your own sewing machine and project.

"Big Drums are Calling - A Fusion of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Voices Raised in Celebration": Nations Elder, Speaker, Singer, Songwriter and Recording Artist, Shannon Thunderbird is coming to St. John's to present a concert at Holy Heart Theatre on Thursday, October 27th. This concert titled "Big Drums are Calling - A Fusion of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Voices Raised in Celebration" will also feature performances by Eastern Owl, Deantha Edmunds, 100 Voices Children's Chorus, and Holy Heart Chamber Choir. This concert will conclude a week of workshops and presentations by Ms. Thunderbird to NLESD schools and community partners. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The concert begins at 7:00 PM and tickets can be purchased from the Holy Heart Theatre website or box office. Proceeds from the concert go to supporting Holy Heart's Food Programs.

A Come Home Year Concert of Remembrance: Friday, November 11 at 2 p.m. at The Basilica of St. John the Baptist choirs and performers come together for a powerful musical event. One of the many highlights is a newly created narrative, *THE 18*, celebrating the children of London's Beatrix Potter School, who uplift and illuminate the memory of 18 Newfoundlanders laid to rest far from home during WW1. This musical event will also feature The Ennis Sisters, Petrina Bromley, The Royal Newfoundland Regiment Band and several incredible choirs and performers, including Mason Dicker & Annabelle Ramsay, Lakecrest Chamber Choir, Lady Cove Women's Choir, La Rose des vents, Newman Sound Men's Choir, The NL Deaf Choir, Silvern Voices from Corner Brook and The Singing Legionnaires. FREE ADMISSION - general seating.

Get Ready for Christmas and to Support St. James at the Same Time!!

A portion of the profits from each order of Purdy's Chocolates comes back to the church.

Please click on the link below to register and join the campaign!

https://fundraising.purdys.com/1570494-97987 (See below for more details)



Bethlehem Bazaar: Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 3rd from 11AM-4PM. We are hosting a scaled down Bethlehem Market this year, including an opportunity for local crafters and other vendors. If you know someone who would like to rent a table to sell their wares, please contact the church office. Cost is \$25. Number of tables are limited so don't delay. Please bring in gently used items for the flea market.



Coastal Sounds Choir Association Christmas Cantata: Coastal Sounds Choir Association will be holding rehearsals for their upcoming Christmas Cantata. The rehearsal dates are November 5, 12, 19. 26 and December 3, 10. Cost is \$25.00. Rehearsals will be held at Topsail United Church from 2:00PM to 4:00PM. Please register on their Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/CoastalSoundsChoir