## Life and Work - April 13, 2025

## Holy Week Services:

Holy Monday, April 14: Wesley United Church at 7:30PM

Holy Tuesday, April 15: Wesley United Church at 7:30PM

Holy Wednesday, April 16: Cowan Heights United Church at 7:30PM

Maundy Thursday, April 17: Cowan Heights United Church at 7:30PM

Good Friday, April 18: Gower Street United Church Worship at 1:00PM and Prayer Walk at 2:00PM

Good Friday, April 18: St. James United Church at 7:00PM

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 19: St. James United Church at 8:00PM.

Easter Sunday, April 20: St. James United Church at 11:00AM Easter Breakfast downstairs at 9:30AM to 10:15AM. Easter Egg Treasure Hunt upstairs in the Sanctuary after the service.

We acknowledge a donation to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund from Sorensen School of Dance - proceeds from the Annual Christmas Show.

**Easter Envelopes:** With the rise in the cost of a postage stamp, we will not be mailing out the Easter Envelope. If you could put your donation in an envelope and mark it "Easter Offering" or drop by the church and pick up one or they will be available on Sunday when you come to church. Thank you for supporting St. James. Finance Committee

**Prayers of the People:** Throughout this Lent, we are making the Prayers of the People really of the people. Last season, we emphasized this by having the worship assistant pray the prayers (that Rev. James wrote). However, this season we will highlight this differently and invite you to let us know what you want prayed for. When you come into the church there will be slips of paper for you to

write prayer intentions on and then they will be brought up to the front during the offering. Alternatively, email Rev. James with your prayer requests. james@stjamesuc.org

**Pub Theology:** This month's Pub Theology will be delayed by a week to April 24

**Online Bible Study Cancelled:** The online bible study is cancelled due to low turnout. Instead, we will focus on our bible study on Sundays after worship.

**Centering Prayer**: Each week on Thursdays at 12:15PM, Rev. James will be leading centering prayer. He will do so via Zoom. Centering prayer is a prayer of quiet and stillness. He will explain it more as part of the group practice.

**AOTS Men's Club Meeting: The** next AOTS Men's Club lunch Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 16th with lunch served at 1:00PM. New members are always welcome.

AOTS Men's Club Fish Dinner:



\* Tickets are available from any member of the AOTS Men's Club or Aubrey Hill - 709-726-8306 \*

**Easter Sunday Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt - April 20:** Once again the AOTS Men's Club will be hosting Breakfast Downstairs with Eggs, Toast, Jam, Juice, Tea and Coffee. We will be serving breakfast from 9:30AM - 10:15AM. Enjoy your Breakfast before going upstairs for the Easter Sunday Service at 11:00 am. There will be a free will offering. In the Sanctuary after worship there will be a Treasure hunt for Easter eggs and non-food Easter items. The young and the young at heart are free to participate.

NSO Recital 3: "The Seven Last Words of Christ": Join the Atlantic String Quartet of the NSO for a profound and moving evening of music with Recital 3 at the Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. On Good Friday, April 18, 2025 at 8pm, experience the spiritual and emotional depth of Joseph Haydn's masterpiece, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" together with a special companion oration delivered by local actor George Robertson. This extraordinary work, originally composed for the Good Friday service, consists of seven meditative sonatas, each reflecting on the final words spoken by Christ on the cross. Haydn's music is both powerful and contemplative, offering a journey through sorrow, reflection, and ultimately, hope. The Anglican Cathedral provides a stunning and acoustically rich setting, enhancing the intimate and reverent atmosphere of this performance. Don't miss this special opportunity to experience one of Haydn's most profound works. Secure your tickets now for Recital 3 at the Anglican Cathedral. Tickets are available at the ACC Box Office (709-729-3900), online at www.artsandculturecentre.com and at the door.

**Tyler Young Country Gospel Show:** Featuring Junior Reid - Mark your calendars for an evening of wonderful music at Cowan Heights United on Saturday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m. Featuring Tyler Young and Junior Reid. Tickets are \$25.00 and are available for purchase from the church office by emailing: <u>office@cowanheightsunited.ca</u> or calling (709) 745-2871.

**Wesley Flipper Dinner:** The Wesley Fall Fair Committee will be holding the first of two Flipper Dinners on Thursday May 8 starting at 5 pm for takeouts and 6 pm for eat in. Tickets are \$30 and should be paid for and picked up by Friday May 2nd. Tickets will not be sold at the door but can be picked up at the Church on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> between 11 am and 1 pm. To order tickets call Marvin at 709-579-7900, Pheobe at 709-726-1689 or the church office at 709-579-3682.

**Bridges to Hope:** Bridges to Hope are asking their partner churches to contribute a specific item each month. Of course, this item, and other non-perishable food items, can be given any other Sunday as well. These items are staples in the food hampers distributed and will go a long way to ensuring that hampers can be filled. The suggested item(s) for April 2025, especially useful for Bridges To Hope - Canned Fruit. Other non-perishable food items are always welcome and appreciated! Thank your for your support.