

## Life and Work – July 13, 2025

**We offer our sincere condolences to** the family of Cecil Templeman, who passed away, Thursday, July 3, 2025. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time. Cecil was a long time member of St. James and was very involved in our church before his move to Calgary.

**We offer our sincere condolences to** the family of Jack Head, who passed away Sunday, July 6, 2025. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time. Visitation was held at Barrett's Funeral Home, 328 Hamilton Avenue, on Thursday, July 10th, followed by a service in the Barrett's Memorial Chapel. Burial will take place in Comfort Cove at a later date – a place especially dear to Jack, where he was born, raised, and which remained his forever home in his heart.

**Rev. James on holiday:** Rev James is away on holiday from July 1 to July 18. In that time, Rev. Guy Matthews will be leading worship on July 6. Rev. Kathy Brett will cover any pastoral emergencies from July 1 to July 14 with Rev. Bill Mercer covering for July 15 to 18. Please contact the office for their respective phone numbers and emails.

**Away on Holiday:** Our Office Administrator Stephanie will be away on holidays from July 22 to August 26th, 2025. Our new summer student Emma Rossiter will cover the office in her absence. The office hours are 8:30AM to 1:30PM Tuesday to Friday.

**Summer Pause:** Now that the warm weather has arrived we are on a break from a number of worship services and programs. There will not be Taize, Tapestry, InsideOUT, Pub Theology and Bible Study for July and August, each starting up again in September. The Silent Vigil for Peace and Justice will only be paused while Rev. James is away, scheduled to begin again at 5:30 pm on August 9. Wild Light Spiritual Oasis continues through the summer. The next gathering will be on July 27 at 3 pm, beginning in the Fluvarium parking lot.

**Pride Worship Service, Parade and Festival:** It is time to show our pride on July 20. There are a number of ways to do so this year.

1. Pride Worship Services 10 am at Gower Street United Church and 11 am at St. James United Church.
2. Pride Parade: The parade begins at 12 noon. Join our contingent from St. James as part of a larger joint parade entry of United Churches in Metro St. John's. Participants begin gathering at 10:30 am on New Gower Street out front of the City Hall, or watch along the route.
3. Pride in the Park: After the parade, there is a festival in the park. Come to Bannerman Park for the festivities. Drop by our table where we will be promoting Affirming United Churches as well as InsideOUT. Contact Rev. James if you would like to help with the table.

### **2025 Memorial Services:**

The dates for the Memorial Services are as follows:

#### **General Protestant Cemetery, Topsail Road**

Monday, July 21, 2025 at 7 P.M.

#### **Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 25 Beaumont Hamel Way**

Monday, July 28, 2025 at 7 P.M.

**Please note:** In the event of inclement weather, the services will move ahead to 7 P.M. the next evening.