

Life and Work – August 24, 2025

We acknowledge the following donation to the Cemetery Fund:

* In loving memory of Husband, Bas Jamieson from Lorna and Family

Wild Light Spiritual Oasis is gathering today, Sunday, August 24 at 3 PM to repeat last month's lovely five senses meditation. We will start in the Fluvarium parking lot.

Seeking Submissions for "The Visitor": As we head into the fall, it is time to rev up church life again. And this includes getting ready for the next edition of "The Visitor". We are seeking submissions about what is coming up, be it a gathering, a new program, the work of a committee or ministry, along with interesting ideas you may have discovered over the summer, an anecdote you would like to share. We are asking for submissions by **September 10**. Please send to info@stjamesuc.org.

Honouring Our Languages and Cultures: Beginning in September, one of the readings in worship each Sunday will be read in a language other than English. It may be read in Fanti or Spanish, French or Chinese, or another of the many first languages other than English that are spoken within our congregation. The English version will be projected on the screen (both in the sanctuary and online) or you can follow along with one of the bibles in the pew or at home. The person reading will also offer a brief introduction about their culture. In this way we lift up the diversity of our community and get a chance to learn more about each other.

Terry Fox Run: We are putting a team together for the Terry Fox run this year! Any members or friends of St. James are welcome to join our team to fundraise for cancer research. The event takes place on September 14,

starting at 11 AM at Quidi Vidi Lake. While it is called a “run”, don’t fret, we will be walking a lap of the lake! To join, simply head to run.terryfox.ca/team/stjamesunitedchurch, set up your profile as part of the St. James United Church team, and begin gathering donations. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Grace at gracemarcoux@msn.com. We hope to see you there!

United Church of Canada 100th Anniversary Hymn Festival: A video of June’s Hymn Festival is now available for viewing on our website, on our YouTube channel, and in our congregational email.

Away on Holiday: Stephanie is away on holidays until August 26, 2025. Our summer student Emma Rossiter is covering the office in her absence. The office hours are 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM Tuesday to Friday.

The Bell Island/Portugal Cove Pastoral Charge will be hosting a celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada. This will include a garden party on Saturday, September 6 from 2-4 PM, with music, old fashioned games, BBQ, an ice cream tent, local craftspeople, a booksale table, an anniversary cake and much more. Then on Sunday, September 7 there will be a celebration church service at 2 PM, with special guests and a reception with cake and coffee to follow.

Aurora Women’s Choir are accepting virtual auditions, looking for female-identified singers who sing soprano and alto. Rehearsals are Sunday evenings from 7 until 9 PM in CBS starting in September. For more information please email Abra at abra.intervals@gmail.com

The CIBC Run for the Cure is back on October 5, and the Canadian Cancer Society is looking for volunteers who will be available on the

weekend of the event to help set up the site, welcome participants, set up equipment, dismantle the site and more. See the link in our congregational email to find an available role at your local Run for the Cure and to register as an Event Day volunteer. For more information, contact volunteer@cancer.ca.