

Life and Work – December 14, 2025

We offer our sincere condolences to Jean Rose and her family on the death of her twin brother Alan Stewart. Funeral will be held on December 15th in Glasgow, Scotland.

We offer our sincere condolences to Randy Butler on the death of his brother, Lloyd Butler.

We offer our sincere condolences to Clyde Sidwell Patey, Betty Patey's brother-in-law. Visitation at Barrett's tomorrow, Thursday, December 11 and the funeral is on Friday, December 12 at 1 pm.

We offer our sincere condolences to Denise and Nicole Bradbury on the passing of their mother, Yvonne Bradbury, spouse of Don Bradbury.

We accept the following donation to the General Fund:

*In memory of parents, Captain Peter and Mrs. Olive Parsons and sister Susan Bishop from Heidi Janes, Jean Babstock and Brenda Newton.

The Winter Newsletter "News From The Pews" is here!!

The newsletter is now completely online, so please visit the church website at www.stjamesuc.org to download our latest newsletter

If you would like a paper copy, please contact the office.
Thank you to all who contributed.

Participating at home: Throughout the season of Advent we encourage those of you who worship from home to set up your own advent wreath (all you need is four candles.) Each Sunday light a candle at the same time as our people do in the Sanctuary at St. James.

Bring Your Own Addition to the Manger Scene: In the tradition of the little drummer boy, this year we want to expand our manger scene with added characters beyond Mary, Joseph, animals, shepherds and magi. You are invited to bring someone you feel should be there, someone who represents you or what you love. Perhaps it is a baker, Barbie, a fisherman, farmer, or even a teddy bear, your choice. You can bring it anytime, even on Christmas Eve, just be aware it will need to stay until the end of the season.

After Worship Bible Study: Rev. James will lead a Bible study each Sunday after the coffee time. This will be a chance to explore the lectionary readings in more detail. Gather in the library 30 minutes after worship for an hour-long study.

Readers Required: If anyone is interested in helping out during Sunday worship services by doing readings, please see the sign up sheet in the vestibule or please contact Barry Cutler at (709) 685-9030 or by email at newfie_1_ca@yahoo.ca. Thank you

**Buckle up for a joyride down memory lane with Spirit of Newfoundland's latest musical comedy, "Shift Happens...at 100 Smiles per Hour"!
On February 26, 2026, Gower Theatre doors open at 6:30 p.m.**



Dinner, Show, and Non-Stop Entertainment – All for just \$120 per person!



This is your chance to grab your spot for an unforgettable night filled with laughter, community, and music!

Bypass the downtown parking, park at St. James and avail of our taxi service to Gower St UC. Please enquire about our childcare availability. Dietary considerations available upon request. Tax receipts (\$50.00 per ticket) will be issued for the charitable portion of the ticket.

Tickets are selling fast, so get yours today by contacting the church office by phone or email. Payment is due at the time of purchase via cheque, e-transfer, or cash.



Hosted by Gower Street United Church, St. James United Church, and Cowan Heights United Church, proceeds will be shared between the three churches in support of their ministries. 

Band Instruments: We are going to be going through our band instruments inventory and are considering rehoming them. We are aware some instruments were donated but the memorial book doesn't list specific instruments. If your family has donated an instrument in the past we are wanting to connect with you. Please contact Susan Pike at susanpike@warp.nfld.net or Bob Rose at robertharoldrose@gmail.com

Turn Debt into Hope: KAIROS Canada is leading a campaign calling for wealthier countries to assist other countries who are facing a debt crisis. This builds on the successful 2000 campaign to cancel debt of low-income countries. In collaboration with other social justice groups, KAIROS is mobilizing communities of faith to demand:

- A debt cancellation for unjust and unsustainable debts.
- Global financial reform to prevent future crisis
- A debt resolution framework within United Nations that is transparent, binding and fair.

Join us in signing the Jubilee 2025 petition! Our goal is to collect 100 thousand signatures in Canada and 10 million worldwide by the end of 2025. A copy of the petition is available on the bulletin board in the foyer