

Life and Work – August 16, 2026

We acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Fund:

- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Daphne Coish
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Daphne Coish
- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Jean & George White

We acknowledge the following donations to the General Fund:

- *In loving memory of Gilbert Thomas from the AOTS
- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Aubrey & Ruby Hill
- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Charlie & Linda Babstock
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Patricia Strong
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Sandra Hudson
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Stella Button
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Carolyn O'Brien
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Florence Head
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Wes & Joan King
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Jean Meeker & Sue Peddle
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Loretta Lambert
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Paul & Jean Thompson
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Sheilah & David Beckett
- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Sheilah Beckett

A thought of the week: *"Be the reason you smile today"*

Rev. James on holiday: Beginning on August 27, Rev. James will be away on holiday visiting family in Alberta. While he is away, Rev. Bill Mercer will be covering any emergencies. He can be reached by email (bmercer@wesleychurch.ca) or on his mobile phone (709-683-1980). Rev. James returns September 10.

Connecting with our Neighbourhood: This summer and fall we are doing Prayer Walks in our neighbourhood. This is a simple weekly walk along the streets surrounding the church, praying, observing and connecting with neighbours as you go. We will form small teams of 2-3 people to walk each week (or every 2 weeks if that is easier). Contact Rev. James (james@stjamesuc.org) if this interests you or for more information.

Labyrinth Walk on August 26 at 6:30pm: Did you know we have a labyrinth? A labyrinth is a circular winding path into a centre point. Unlike a maze there is only one path and you cannot get lost. Walking the labyrinth is an ancient prayer practice to quiet the mind and seek spiritual clarity. Throughout the summer we will have a group labyrinth walk on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Meet on the lawn between the church and Paton Street.

St. James United Church Rummage Sale Saturday, August 29th

9am-1:00 pm: We are looking for donations of good used clothing, household items, small kitchen appliances, books, shoes, boots (in good condition), plants etc. NO ELECTRONICS PLEASE!

Donations can be dropped off at the church any Friday morning between the hours of 10 am to 12 noon starting August 8th to the 23rd.

Friday, August 28th from noon to 4 pm.

Please come out and support the church, your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Please note there is a \$2.00 admission fee.

Bridges to Hope is accepting school supplies donations during the month of August. They are accepting donations until Friday, August 28.

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| • Backpacks | • Pens | • Duotangs |
| • Crayons (24 pack) | • Liquid glue | (assorted colours) |
| • Washable markers | • Glue sticks (big & small) | • 30cm ruler |
| • Colouring pencils (24 pack) | • Latex free erasers | • Loose leaf paper |
| • Binders (1-inch or 1.5 inch) | • Exercise books | • Highlighters |
| • Wooden & mechanical pencils | • Scissors | • Scientific calculators |
| | • Pencil sharpeners | • Geometry sets |
| | | • Headphones |