

Life and Work – August 23, 2026

We acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Fund:

- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from Maxine Rose
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Maxine Rose
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Christine Sulley
- *In loving memory of Vera Marshall from the UCW

We acknowledge the following donations to the General Fund:

- *In loving memory of Reginald Kingsley from Trudy Richards
- *In loving memory of Joan Barbour from Clarence & Evelyn Newell and family
- *In loving memory of Reginald Kingsley from John & Carole Kelly and the Cody family
- *In loving memory of Ron Robbins from Edna Lewis
- *In loving memory of Melinda J Ryan from Diane Ryan
- *In loving memory of Dick Andrews from Sandra Hudson

A thought of the week: *“Try to be a rainbow in someone else’s cloud”*

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.

MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH PORTUGAL COVE, NEWFOUNDLAND CELEBRATES!

They are now planning their second annual old-fashioned style garden party to be held at Memorial United Church in Portugal Cove. This will include a full out party with fun, food and music on Saturday, September 26th, 2026 from 2-4pm.

The garden party will include live music, traditional games like fish pond, darts, corn hole, etc., a BBQ, a cake walk, a book sale table, a flea market table of craft and art supplies, local artists and craft persons, an ice cream tent, tickets on a hand made quilt, Anniversary Cake, and much, much more. **NOTE:** All games will cost just \$1; BBQ hamburger/hotdog & drinks \$5. For the games and activities every player wins!