

Life and Work - September 27, 2026

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Glenys Hazeltine who passed on September 7, 2026, following a short illness. A service was held in the Barrett's Memorial Chapel on Friday September 18, 2026 at 2pm with interment followed at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, 53 James Lane.

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Jonas Newhook who passed away on September 8, 2026. The funeral service was held at the Carnell Memorial Chapel, on Saturday September 12th at 11 a.m. His service was livestreamed for anyone that was unable to attend.

We acknowledge the following donation to the Memorial Fund:

* In loving memory of our Dad, Mr. Jonas Newhook from Brenda Newhook and family.

Common Ground, a 2SLGBTQIA+ positive worship service:

October 4 begins a new venture for 2SLGBTQIA+ folks in Metro St. John's. This monthly Christian worship service is for and led by 2SLGBTQIA+ community members. Doors open at 6 pm with worship beginning at 6:30 pm.

Meditation for Busy People: Each Wednesday at 5:45 pm, we host a short time of Christian Meditation followed by additional spiritual practices like Lectio Divina, walking the labyrinth, a wonderful chance to come to inner quiet as we each focus on God's love within us. Come to the Fellowship Room. If you have not practiced Meditation before, arrive at 5:30 pm, and Rev. James will teach you how to go about it. Following meditation, each week there is an additional spiritual practice to take part in, such as Lectio Divina, walking the labyrinth, or Taizé.

Mediation Plus! Following our weekly meditation gathering, why not stay for another form of prayer or learning at 6:30 pm. The schedule is as follows:

First Wednesday of the month: Taizé Prayer (a time of singing and reflection)

Second Wednesday: Lectio Divina (shared reflection on a short Bible passage)

Third Wednesday: Post meditation teaching (learn more about Christian meditation)

Fourth Wednesday: Labyrinth Walk (a meditation practice focused on movement)

Post-worship Bible Study: This Sunday we resume our post-worship Bible Study. Come to the library 30 minutes after the start of coffee time to further explore the Bible readings of the day

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.

TODAY - Cochrane Street United Final Decommissioning Service: The congregation of Cochrane Street United Church and First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council warmly to invite you to the Closing Service of Cochrane Street United Church and the Disbanding of the Congregation. This service will take place on Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 2pm, at Cochrane Street United Church. An offering will be collected at the service with all proceeds going to Mission and Service of The United Church of Canada. We welcome everyone as we give God thanks for the years of ministry and outreach and the legacy of this faithful congregation.

Maintenance Person: St. James is looking for a part-time maintenance person for some odds and ends, up to a possible 15 hours per week. Please contact Stephanie at the church office for more information at info@stjamesuc.org

Office Closure: The church office will be closed on Wednesday, September 30 to observe Truth and Reconciliation Day. The office will reopen Thursday morning as usual.