



Cochrane Street United Church

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1916 - 2024

April 17, 2024

Dear Member and or Adherent

As you know, we held our Annual Congregational General Meeting after the church service this past Sunday, April 14, 2024. I thought it was important to advise you of a significant decision reached by the congregation members at that meeting. After considerable discussion, unanimous direction was given to the council to prepare a winding down plan for the congregation with a closing service planned for the fall (Oct/Nov) of 2024. In the interim, commencing in May, we will have one Sunday service per month on the last Sunday of the month. This brings an end to our pilot project with St. James after this month.

I know that this decision will come as a shock to many of you, but it has become apparent, with the volunteer base available to us, that the congregation was no longer sustainable. Your church council will be developing the "winding down plan" over the next few weeks and will be soliciting your input as we put the document together. There are many decisions that we have to make collectively as a congregation and individually as members. Our plan will hopefully guide you through those decisions.

If you would like to be involved in this process, please reach out to me via email at pt2reynolds@gmail.com or by phone at (709) 325-4661.

God Bless,

Tim Reynolds
Council Chair

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