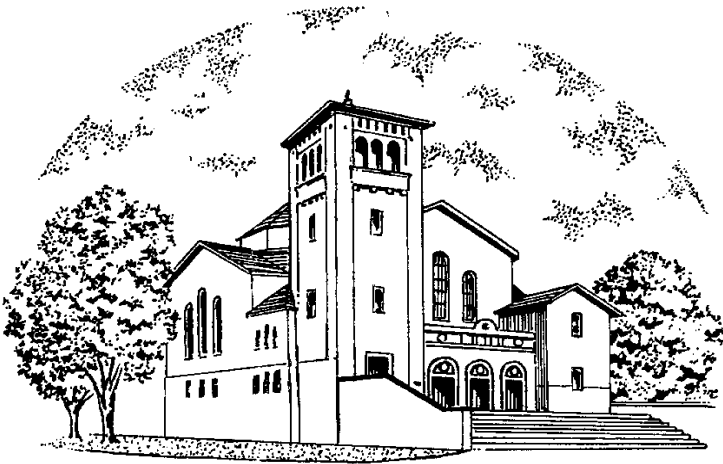


Cochrane Street United Church

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Welcome to Cochrane Street United Church

Whether you are here for the first time or this is your church home – welcome to our community of faith.

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OFFICE

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully acknowledge the territory in which we gather as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk, and the island of Newfoundland as the ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq and Beothuk. We would also like to recognize the Inuit of Nunatsiavut and NunatuKavut and the Innu of Nitassinan, and their ancestors, as the original people of Labrador. We strive for respectful relationships with all the peoples of this province as we search for collective healing and true reconciliation and honour this beautiful land together.

PRELUDE:

INTROIT VU 357: Tell me the Stories of Jesus vs. 1 & 3

- 1 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

- 3 Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea
tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee!
And how the Master, ready and kind,
chided the billows and hushed the wind.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see your congregational email for detailed announcements.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE & PASSING OF THE PEACE:

The light of Christ is with us

Here. Now. In this place.

In Christ, although we are many,

We are one.

Let our hospitality towards each other reflect God's love.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC MV #7: Gather Us In

Gather us in, ground us in you. **(2X)**

Gather us in, gather us in,

ground us, ground us in you.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

It is holy to gather.

It is holy to sing.

It is holy to be generous, to throw our coats on the road.

It is holy to celebrate justice when we see it.

It is holy to shout, "Hosanna!"

It is holy to remember.

It is holy to gather.

It is holy to sing.

Here and now, let us do all of these things.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Holy God,

**grant us simplicity of faith and a generosity of service
that gives without counting cost.**

**A life overflowing with Grace poured out from the One
who gave everything, that we might show
the power of love to a broken world,
and share the truth from a living Word.**

**Lord, grant us simplicity of faith,
and a yearning to share it. Amen.**

HYMN VU #122: All Glory Laud and Honour vs. 1, 2 & 4

REFRAIN: All glory, laud and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the King of Israel,
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and blessed one. R

2 The multitude of pilgrims
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. R

4 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious king. R

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of street parades and hosannas,
**we know that you are counting on us
to speak out against oppression,**
to speak up for love and to speak hope to fear,
but so often we are silent.

We worry that we'll say the wrong thing,
so we don't say anything at all.

We worry that we'll offend,
so we keep our convictions to ourselves.

We worry that we'll speak up and won't be heard,
so we stay silent.

And meanwhile, the parade marches on.

Unravel our fears.

Spark conviction in us.

Give us the courage to yell, "Hosanna!"

Gratefully we pray, amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Friends, even when we are silent,
even when we are scared,
even when we miss the moment,
even when we choose to speak and say the wrong thing— we
belong to God.

There is nothing said or unsaid, done or undone that can undo that,
so rest in this good news:

We are forgiven. We are known.

We belong to God, every day and always. Amen.

LEARNING TOGETHER

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

There are many ways you can offer your financial gifts. As you enter the sanctuary you may lay your offering in the plate. You can send your offering by mail or drop them off in the mailbox. You can donate via eTransfer: csuctreasurer@gmail.com. You can sign up for PAR (Pre-Authourized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.

OFFERTORY HYMN VU #120: O Jesus I Have Promised vs. 1

1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
remain for ever near me, my Saviour and my friend:
I shall not fear the journey if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
sometimes life feels like a parade rushing by us
as we stand on the sidelines and try not to miss it!
There are hundreds of things that catch our eye,
but the thing we fear missing the most is you.
So slow down the speed on this parade.
Paint the colors of this world a little brighter.
And dance through the words in our scripture passage
until it is almost impossible for us to miss you there.
God we are here.
We are trying to pay attention.
Gratefully we pray, amen.

*RESPONSIVE PSALM 118 pg. 837

Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing

Let Israel now say:

'God's love endures for ever.'

Let the house of Aaron say:

'God's love endures for ever.'

Let those who fear God say:

'God's love endures for ever.' R

God is my strength and my song; God has become my salvation.

**There are shouts of joy and deliverance
in the tents of the righteous.**

The right hand of God does mighty things;
the right hand of God raises up.

The right hand of God does mighty things.

I shall not die, but live; and I shall proclaim what God has done.

**God indeed punished me,
but did not give me over to death. R**

Open to me the gates of the temple,
that I may enter and give thanks to God.

**This is the gate of God;
through it the righteous shall enter.**

I thank you for you have answered me;
you have become my salvation.

**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is God's doing, marvellous in our eyes.

**This is the day that God has made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it! R**

Save us, O God, we pray;

God, we pray, give us success.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.

We bless you from the house of God.

God, our God, has given us light;

with palm branches in hand let us march to the altar.

You are my God, and I will thank you;

you are my God, and I will extol you. R

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:28 - 48

The Word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM:

SERMON:

HYMN VU #123: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- 1 Hosanna, loud hosanna
 the happy children sang;
through pillared court and temple
 the joyful anthem rang;
to Jesus, who had blessed them
 close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
 the simplest and the best.

- 2 From Olivet they followed
 'mid an exultant crowd,
the victory palm branch waving,
 and singing clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven
 rode on in lowly state,
content that little children
 should on his bidding wait.

3 'Hosanna in the highest!
That ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer;
earth, let your anthems ring.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his humble presence
eternally rejoice!

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Sung VU 959

**Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil:
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever and ever.**

HYMN VU #127: Ride On, Ride on in Majesty

1 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry:
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

2 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

3 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
The winged squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

4 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Holy God, Dreamer of dreams,

We offer Cochrane Street United Church to you. We are your people, this is your church. We come to you seeking your guidance, your purpose, your vision. Align our will with yours, so that we will be willing to do whatever it takes to carry out your plan. We ask you to break through in new ways in our church. Show us the great ministry you have in store for us. Help us dream your dreams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, giving us the vision, boldness, and confidence to do all that you call us to do. Amen.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION MV #212: Sent Out in Jesus Name

Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now to make the world the place in which the kingdom comes. The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain into a world of love, of justice and of peace. The task is ours to do, to set it really free. O, help us to obey, and carry out your will.

POSTLUDE

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave the pew.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

During Holy Week, there will be several services each night at 7:30 PM. The Good Friday service will take place at 12:00 PM and there will be activities for children in the hall. For live streaming and Covid-19 protocols, please consult each congregation's website. The Holy Week Services hosted by the United Communities of Faith are as follows:

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| Monday, April 11th, 7:30 PM | First United Church |
| Tuesday, April 12th, 7:30 PM | Cochrane Street United Church |
| Wednesday, April 13th, 7:30 PM | Wesley United Church |
| Thursday, April 14th, 7:30 PM | Topsail United Church |
| Good Friday, April 15th, 12:00 PM | Gower Street United Church |
| Saturday Easter Vigil April 16th, 7:30 PM | St. James United Church |

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| April | 9: | Bridges To Hope Food Drive (10am – 1pm) First United Church, Churchill Ave, Mt Pearl |
| April | 10: | Palm Sunday |
| April | 10: | CSUC ACM Reports Due |
| April | 17: | Easter and Communion |
| April | 24: | CSUC Worship Service (on-line only) |
| May | 13 - 15: | FDEE ACM (on-line only) |
| May | 15: | Celebrating 140 th Anniversary of CSUC |
| May | 15: | CSUC ACM |

ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you wish to add an announcement, please have it into the office by Wednesday at noon.

NO SCENTS Makes Good Sense! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

Seeking 2022 Church Council Members: The Church Council has a number of vacancies and is seeking members of the congregation to sit on the 2022 Church Council. This is necessary to ensure compliance with the United Church governance requirement and to provide the continued leadership of Cochrane Street United Church, particularly in the coming year. The Church Council generally meets monthly in the evenings. Have a say in the monthly decisions about the church by joining the Church Council!

If you are interested in being part of the Church Council, please email the Council Chair, Stephen B. Jewczyk at sjewczyk@gmail.com or telephone 763-3213.

Mission Articulation Plan (MAP) Team: The Church Council is required to establish a MAP Team and produce a MAP prior to its search for a new minister. There is a template that has been produced for this document, and a Regional Council MAP Liaison has been appointed to assist the team in preparing the document. The MAP process will chart out the future direction of Cochrane Street united Church and its Ministry over the next number of years. It is anticipated that this document would be completed before the summer so that a search team can be appointed to then proceed with the search for a new Minister. There are currently two men who have volunteered to be on the Team. The Council is searching for two additional members, preferably women, to round out the team.

If you are interested in being part of the MAP Team, please email the Council Chair, Stephen B. Jewczyk at sjewczyk@gmail.com or telephone 763-3213.

SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER VOLUNTEER: Council is seeking a volunteer to be actively engaged in Cochrane Street United Church's social media platforms (Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Instagram). These platforms have been developed for several years and are currently managed by Rev. Miriam Bowlby. The successful volunteer will support and update the various platforms on a weekly basis commencing in July 2022. If you are a social media whizz or someone in your household is interested in managing our social media platforms, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com. Rev. Miriam will provide an orientation lesson on the social media platforms and what is required to keep them up to date.

ANNUAL REPORTS: Hello Everyone! We are getting ready for our annual meeting. Harold Grandy has graciously volunteered to put the annual reports together again this year. To help make this as easy as possible, please send your report in MS Word format to Harold at hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca BY Sunday, April 10, 2022. If your group has its own bank account, please include your financial statement. Thanks for your help.

BRIDGES TO HOPE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Bridges to Hope AGM will take place on **Monday, May 16th** at Wesley United Church. Anyone is welcome to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7:00 pm.

BRIDGES TO HOPE FOOD DRIVE: First United Church in Mount Pearl is having a Bridges to Hope Food Drive on Saturday, April 9, from 10AM to 1PM in the parking lot. Volunteers will be masked and distancing will be adhered to. Heartfelt thanks for any donations you can provide.

Bridges to Hope currently serves 1,000 families monthly, which includes approximately 250 children. At the present time, supplies are very low. Most sought after food items are: tin milk, tin soup, tin beans, canned pastas with sauce (e.g. Ravioli), packaged pasta noodles and/or pasta sauces. With the upcoming Easter season, appropriate children's gifts would also be most appreciated. Monetary donations are also kindly accepted.

FROM OUR PARTNERS AT GUIDE TO THE GOOD

Grow Local Go Digital - Get To The Point! Ever write your post or ad or landing page and think it great and brilliant - but not having the results you want? That happens. A lot. And it's a real challenge with digital marketing when you've got split seconds to communicate your story. Even more challenging if your audience has a different first language than you.

On 'Get To The Point' the wonderful Amparo Montoya is our guest. A specialist in training and quality control and Colombian Newfoundlander, she'll share insights into making your message clear. Click in April 13 around 10:20 am. Link: <https://fb.me/e/4pEFAISJv>

Youth Forum 2022: We are gauging interest for an in-person Youth Forum event and looking for some information from you! The event would be the weekend of June 4th for youth of our region age 12-18. There will be limited capacity, so express your interest now and keep an eye out for registration! Clergy, youth, parent, leaders – please fill out the survey.
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzZJxVFFLkUxPErLBiD1sNmfwqlrTqbmUDaNb2xZk7Eqjvaw/viewform>. Any questions, please contact Catherine at cstuart@united-church.ca.

Medjool Dates and Palestinian Olive Oil: Easter is on its way as is Ramadan. Medjool dates are an ideal gift for these occasions. If you are interested in purchasing them, please get in touch with Carmel Conway at 722 0121. If you are interested in Palestinian Olive oil you can obtain it at Gower St United Church or 'Food for Thought on 84 Gower Street'. Both sell for \$20.00

SINFONIA 2 – TERRA NOVA SUITE: The NSO is delighted to partner with the Arts & Culture Centre and **Jeff Johnston Jazz Trio** to present the new work "Terra Nova Suite". The concert will be conducted by Bill Brennan. Come for a night of toe-tapping fun and hear the Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra Sinfonia like never before! This concert will be held at **8:00pm on April 13** at the St. John's Arts & Culture Centre. Tickets are available at the ACC Box Office (729-3900), and online at www.artsandculturecentre.com. More details here: <https://nsomusic.ca/concert/sinfonia-2-terra-nova-suite/>

THE FLUVARIUM – Thursday Night Dinner Delights: Don't worry about dinner - we've got you covered. **Between March 31st & May 26th**, we are partnering with Coffee Matters to bring you some incredibly delectable dinners to enjoy at home. We have 5 dates and 7 meals to choose from. For any vegetarians out there, please contact us if you are interested -- we will happily switch out the chicken for you. To order, call or email Karina at 754-3474 or info@fluvarium.ca. **PICK-UP will be between 4 PM - 6PM.** Meals are to take home and reheat. Each night is independent of the others and requires a minimum of 10 orders to go ahead.

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Extract from Choir report 1978"

"On Good Friday the Three Hour Service was held in Cochrane Street Church for the first time.

The Choir was happy to lead in the music of the service and to provide special music during the service."