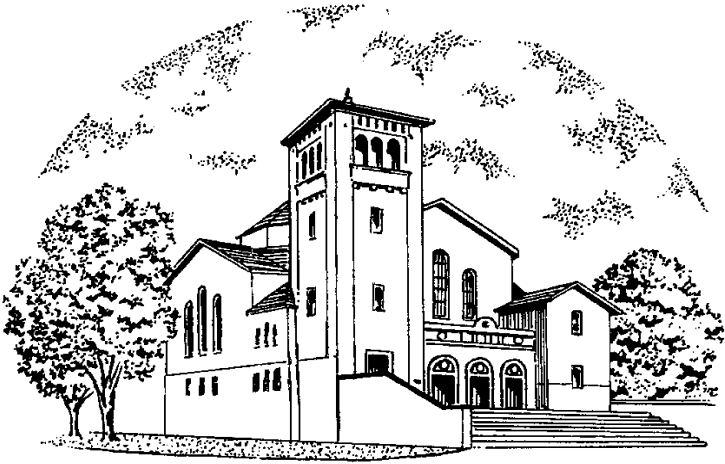


Cochrane Street United Church

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August 8th, 2021

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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.

USHERING TEAM SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 8

Peter Crosbie, Sandy Stavlo, Brian Johnston, Sandra Garland

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET AUGUST 9 – AUGUST 15

August 10 7:00 PM CSUC Council Meeting (online)
August 15 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
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Have a question or need to make an appointment?

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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 299: Teach Me God to Wonder (vs. 1)

1 Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;
let your world of beauty capture me.
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
life be celebrated, joy you give.

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 VU 307: Touch the Earth Lightly (vs. 4)

4 God of all living, God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
teach us, deflect us, Christ reconnect us,
using us gently and making us one.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

God's love is extravagant!

**God pours out God's love as a cleansing lotion
for our weary souls.**

God's love is healing!

God's healing balm soothes and comforts us.

God's love is generous!

God continually reaches out for us and helps us throughout all our lives.

Thanks be to God for such extravagant, healing, generous love.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

O God, Most Holy

We come here today in response to your call.

Touch us with the fire of your Spirit,

That we may once again feel the heat

Of your courage, hope, trust, and faith,

And experience your peace

in all that we do. Amen.

HYMN VU #382: Breath on me Breath of God

Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**You call us to follow
and our footsteps falter,
reach out your hand
and we treat you as stranger,
whisper our name
and we simply ignore you.**

**Gracious God,
slow to anger, swift to bless,
forgive us, restore us.
Grant us hearts that stand firm,
a faith that is strong
and a hope that endures. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

God's love is sure and steadfast,
always providing a way out,
a way through, a way back to God.
We are a forgiven people.
Thanks be to God. Amen

LEARNING TOGETHER

HYMN VU 713: I See a New Heaven

REFRAIN: I see a new heaven.
I see a new earth
as the old one will pass away,
where the fountain of life flows
and without price goes
to all people who abide in the land.

- 1 There, there on the banks of a river bright and free,
yielding her fruit, firm in her root,
the Tree of Life will be. **R**
- 2 There, there where death dies and our lives are born again,
body and soul, struggling but whole
like flowers after the rain. **R**
- 3 There, there where the darkness brings visions from above.
There where the night, bearing new light,
reveals the promise of love. **R**
- 4 There, there where we work with the love of healing hands.
Labour we must, true to our trust
to build a promised new land.

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 542: We Give You But Your Own

We give you but your own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is yours alone,
we give it gratefully.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 3:7 – 11, 20 24

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

SOLO: Abi Schwartz

SERMON:

Reflective Music

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN VU 471: Eat This Bread and Never Hunger (vs. 1 & 2)

REFRAIN: Eat this bread and never hunger,
drink this cup and never thirst;
Christ invites us to the table
where the last become the first.

Asking for a cup of water,
Jesus touched forbidden ground;
and the woman, with a question,
told the world what she had found. **R**

Walking down a desert highway,
Jesus healed a man born blind;
soon the man became a witness
to the truth we seek and find. **R**

The Invitation:

In the name of the One who said,
"I am the bread of life,"

I invite you to come and eat.

In the name of the One who said,
"I am the true vine,"

I invite you to come and drink.

In the name of the One who said,
"Love one another as I have loved you,"

I invite you to the table of Jesus Christ.

This is the table of the risen Christ

**In this feast gleams the promise of the earth
and glory of all creation.**

In this feast comes the Christ

Saviour and Friend to all.

The Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God,

Creator of light, Giver of all life, Source of love.

You guide the sun, cradle the moon, and toss the stars.

At your word the earth was made

and spun on its course among the planets.

You breathe life into us

and set us among all your creatures,

in a covenant of love and service.

Even when we turn away from you, you do not forsake us.

You send your prophets to proclaim your justice,

to remind us of your promise of peace,

and to call us back to you.

Creator, Christ, and Spirit,

we praise you for your love revealed to us in Jesus,

who walks with us, our Wisdom and our Way,

sharing our joy and sorrow,

healing the sick,

feeding the hungry,

and setting the captive free.

So it is that we join the song of all creation to

proclaim your goodness:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Mighty and tender God, in Jesus of Nazareth
we recognize the fullness of your grace:
light, life, and love, revealed
in words that confront and comfort us,
in teachings that challenge and change us,
in compassion that heals and frees us.
And now we gather at this table to remember
and to be filled with such longing for your realm,
that we may rise together
to turn our worship into witness
and to follow in your way.

We remember that when Jesus ate with his friends,
he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
“Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Each time you do this, remember me.”
Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
passed it to his friends, saying:
“Drink. This cup that is poured out for you
is the promise of God, made in my blood.
Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace,
remembering Christ’s life and death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
waiting in hope for his coming again.
Grant that, in praise and thanksgiving,
we may so offer ourselves to you
that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who share in this loaf and cup
may be the body of Christ:
light, life, and love in the world.
In this hope and as your people, we praise you.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, God most holy,
now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom Come, Thy will be done on earth as it is heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread and Filling the Cup

The bread we break

is our sharing in the life of Christ.

The cup for which we give thanks

is our communion in the blood of Christ.

Prayer After Communion

**We give you thanks, Almighty God,
that you have refreshed us at your table
by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ.
Strengthen our faith,
increase our love for one another,
and send us forth into the world
united in courage and peace,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

HYMN VU 497: Nearer My God to the Thee (vs. 1, 3 &5)

- 1 Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!
- 3 There let the way appear, steps unto heaven;
all that thou sendest me, in mercy given;
angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!
- 5 Or if on joyful wing cleaving the sky,
sun, moon, and stars forgot, upwards I fly,
still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

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 VU 422: God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again (vs. 1)

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 8	Communion Service guest soloist Abi Schwartz
August 10	CSUC Council Meeting (7pm, via ZOOM)
August 15	Guest Musician Maggie Power
August 15	BBQ & Bridges To Hope Food Drive
September 5	Online Service only (Joint Service with Cowan Heights United Church)

All Request Summer Sundays are back!! What are your favourite hymns? Please send your hymn requests to Rev. Miriam revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com.

Church Council Meeting is August 10 at 7:00pm. If anyone has a matter they wish to bring to the attention of Council, please contact Stephen Jewczyk Council Chair at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

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.

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy at hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

RECYCLABLES: Drop off your recyclables at any Green Depot and use the Cochrane Street Code (our phone number) 7223023. Your empty containers will support the ministries of our congregation! Don't forget to drop off your eligible tetra or gable containers and glass containers (including beer & wine bottles) for a refund. Thank you in advance for your help. For more information, check out this website: <https://www.greencan.ca/?page=start>

SIDEWALK SALE: The bookstore is having a sidewalk sale at 320 Elizabeth Avenue. Lots of great deals on books and giftware. Come join us on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 from 11am to 2pm. Free hot dogs to eat while you browse. COVID protocols will be followed.

BAG TO SCHOOL: Bridges To Hope is determined to send students back to school with everything they need to thrive. Normally, most of our school supplies are donated. But this year, what with the pandemic and Health and Safety protocols, we decided it would be safer to purchase them. While this is quite the financial endeavour, we are confident that with the help of our Corporate Sponsors and your generosity, we can achieve this goal.

Students will be given a top-quality school bag packed with all the top brand products and headphones to ensure they start the year off right. Please offer your support and help us spread some relief and joy in our community — both to the students and their parents. Donate at www.bridgestohope.ca.

THE FLUVARIUM: The 33rd Annual Rennie's River Duck Race is happening on October 3 and is sponsored by m5 Marketing Communications! Our Annual Duck Race helps to fund our education programs, which the students of Newfoundland and Labrador have been looking forward to and enjoying for nearly 3 decades. This year we strived to [#SupportLocal](#) by partnering with all local businesses for our ticket coupons! **TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW AT THE FRONT DESK OF THE FLUVARIUM!** Visit us or call in to purchase (754-3474).

TechKNOWtutors offers **FREE** learning sessions to groups from many different backgrounds in instructor-led presentations and hands-on activities. As a result of current Public Health measures, we are now teaching all classes through Zoom. To learn more, email us at techknowtutors@cscnl.ca or view our courses at <https://techknowtutors.ca/upcoming-classes/>. Below is just a sampling of what we offer:

Monday, August 9	6:00–8:00pm	Online Storage Options
Tuesday, August 10	2:00–4:00pm	Using LinkedIn
Monday, August 16	6:00–8:00pm	Understanding Apps
Tuesday, August 17	6:00–8:00pm	Video Editing Apps

MEMORIALS

*A Memorial Gift has been received
In Loving Memory of Cecil C. Pelley,
From Shirley Pelly and Family*

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Several church expenses from the 1950 Annual Report:

Light and Power	\$446
Oil	\$1,112
Gas	\$22