

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.

USHERING TEAM FOR JUNE

Ian McMaster, Blair Bradbury, Gerry Penney, Blair Squires

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET JUNE 28 – JULY 4

Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice

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 1: River

Spirit, come-a-down to the river-side,
Spirit, spark of wondrous thought.
Spirit, I am free for you to guide,
Spirit, pray that I be taught!

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 #12: Come Touch Our Hearts vs. 4

Come touch us in the moments we are fragile,
and in our weakness your great strength reveal;
that we may rise to follow and to serve,
steady now our nerve, come touch and bless our wills.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

In the parks, in the streets,
in the busyness of daily living, we encounter Christ
and our lives are changed.

At home, with family and friends, or on our own, we encounter Christ
and our lives are changed.

In unexpected places,
in moments of joy, and in times of sadness, we encounter Christ
and our lives are changed.

Come, let us worship the One who changes lives.
Come, let us worship God.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

**O God,
who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world,
Come and visit us in this time of worship.
Breathe in us your Holy Spirit to strengthen,
comfort, and guide us,
even when we are in the midst of chaos and confusion.
Enable us to be your hands and feet at work,
in our homes, in our communities, in our world.
We pray all this in the name of the One
who brings healing and wholeness to our lives. Amen.**

HYMN VU 374: Come and Find the Quiet Centre

Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**We confess, O God,
That we often find ourselves distracted
by a legion of destructive voices that make false promises.
We believe safety and security
can reside in ample bank accounts.
We think that success leads to real happiness.
We hold fast to pain and anger
as if they were treasure in a chest.
We soothe our fear of failure with substances that do harm.
We feed our hunger for love and approval
with food that does not satisfy.
Break hold of the chains that bind us, O God.
Set us free from the tombs in which we dwell.
We ask, in your mercy. 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 278: In the Quiet Curve of Evening

**In the quiet curve of evening,
in the sinking of the days,
in the silky void of darkness, you are there.
 In the lapses of my breathing,
 in the space between my ways,
 in the crater carved by sadness, you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.**

**In the rests between the phrases,
in the cracks between the stars,
in the gaps between the meaning, you are there.
 In the melting down of endings,
 in the cooling of the sun,
 in the solstice of the winter, you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.**

**In the mystery of my hungers,
in the silence of my rooms,
in the cloud of my unknowing, you are there.
 In the empty cave of grieving,**

in the desert of my dreams,
in the tunnel of my sorrow, you are there.
You are there, you are there, you are there.

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 222: Come Let Us Sing vs. 4

Deserts shall bloom and mountains shall sing
to the desire of all living things.
Come, all you creatures, high and low,
let your praises endlessly flow.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
reveal your presence to us this day.
Send your Spirit upon us
that we might listen, discern, and take heart.
Be near us this day
and may your Word with us stay
and dwell with us forevermore. Amen.

***RESPONSIVE PSALM 130**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

² **Lord, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!**

³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ **But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.**

⁵ I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶ **my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

⁷ O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ **It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:21 – 43

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

ANTHEM: At the Riverside

SERMON:

Reflective Music

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

HYMN VU #642: Be Thou My Vision vs 1,2 & 5

Be thou my vision, O joy of my heart;
naught be all else to me save that thou art,
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, my calm in all strife;
I ever with thee, and thou in my life;
thou loving parent, thy child may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Great God of heaven, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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 209: Go Make a Difference (Refrain)

Refrain: Go make a difference. We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world. **X2**

POSTLUDE

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

June 27 & July 11: Coffee time on the front patio, weather permitting
bring your own beverage (BYOB)

July 4: online Service

July 11: Communion Service

July 18: Guest Preacher Katie Vardy, guest musician Maggie Power

July 25: Guest Preacher Katie Vardy, guest musician Maggie Power

MEMORIALS & DEDICATIONS

*In Memory of David Victor Drodge who was a congregant of CSUC
and who was proud of his United Church heritage.*

Happy Father's Day, Dad

*To acknowledge the very kind gestures in celebrating
my turning the big 5-0. From Robyn McMaster*

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

2000: This was a year of celebration in honour of the 75th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada. Cochrane Street United Church hosted a Service of Celebration in June 2000 with participation from choirs and bands throughout East District.