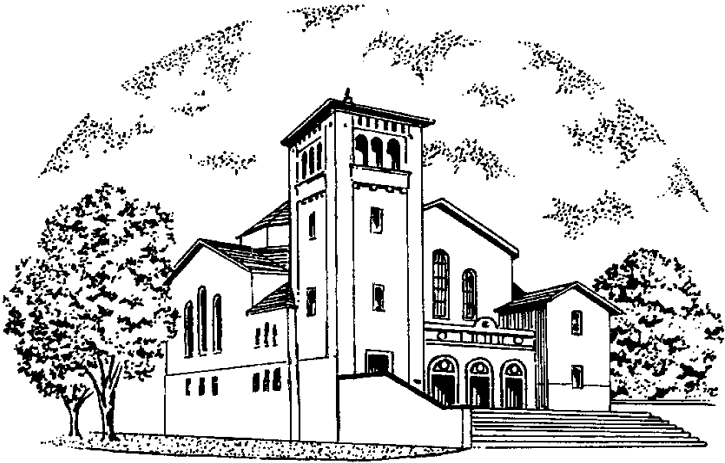


# Cochrane Street United Church

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## July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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# Welcome to Cochrane Street United Church

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

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## USHERING TEAM FOR JULY 10<sup>th</sup>

Ian McMaster, Gerry Penny, Bill Squires, Blair Bradbury

## OFFICE

**Office Hours:**    Tuesdays        9:00 am – 1:30 pm  
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## **GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*please stand as you are able

\*\*bold is in unison

### **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 #220: Praise to the Lord the Almighty (vs. 1)**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation;

O my soul, praise him, at all times your health  
and salvation.

Come, all who hear:

brothers and sisters draw near,  
joining in glad adoration.

### **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 #18: Lord Prepare Me**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

pure and holy tried and true;

with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Blessed is God,

**who created us and loves us beyond measure.**

Blessed is God,

**who calls us to stop measuring out our love.**

Blessed is God,

**who speaks and tells us stories about ourselves.**

Blessed is God,

**who reveals to us who we are and who we could be.**

Blessed is God,

**whose compassion is poured out  
on every single person.**

Blessed is God,

**who gives us compassion to share  
with every single person,  
even people we do not know or care about.**

Blessed is God,

**for whom we gather and worship together**

**\*PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

Eternal God, Rescuer of the weak:

given every reason to judge us, you seek justice for us.

**You stand with the poor in the ditches**

**where we have discarded them.**

**You plant your Word of truth**

**in the One who gives us unexpected answers.**

Jesus Christ, Word of Truth:

you will not pass us by,

but stoop to lift us up and carry us out of our pain.

**You love the faithful enough to tell us stories**

**which will shatter our complacency**

**and send us forth to carry mercy to others.**

Holy Spirit, Giver of mercy:

you carry hope in your mouth and breathe it into our souls.

**You take us by the hand,**

**leading us out of the ditches we have dug for ourselves,  
into the brightly lit streets of the kingdom.**

**You pray for us in every moment,  
especially when we are unable to pray for ourselves.  
God in Community, Holy in One,  
hear us as we pray.**

**\*HYMN VU #242: Let All Things Now Living (All verses)**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**They may not be beaten down or lying by the road,  
but there are people we pass by, Watching God.  
Some are family and friends we take so much for granted  
we cannot see how we have stripped  
them of our love and compassion.**

**Others are neighbours:**

**who have been left half-dead by crushing work;  
who have fallen into the hands of despair;  
who have been abandoned by all those who walked on  
by them.**

**Many are strangers, people we don't know, but quickly judge:  
they are weak, or poor, or the enemy  
or because they remind us of whom we once were,  
or could become.**

**Rescue us from the power of our sins,**

**Righteous One of all generations,**

**pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgment,  
that we would be moved with pity,  
and spurred to action;**

**that we would hear of the hope that is ours,  
and share it with our sisters and brothers;**

**that we would shower mercy on all we meet,  
even as we have received forgiveness for our sins  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.**

Silence is kept

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

Children of the Most High: you are forgiven and brought into the kingdom. Be filled with spiritual wisdom, lead lives worthy of your inheritance, bear fruit in all you say and do and think.

God has rescued us and redeemed us from our sins, setting aside judgment to shower us with mercy. **We will go and do likewise.**  
**Thanks be to God. 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](mailto:csuctreasurer@gmail.com). You can sign up for PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN MV 182: Grateful**

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son,  
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,  
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Because we trust in your never-ending love, Gracious God, we offer not only our thanks, but our gifts, knowing that what you have done in the past – rescuing the lost, healing the broken, feeding the hungry, loving the poor – will continue to be accomplished through our gifts. Bless all that we offer to you, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## **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**

**Amos 7:7 - 17**

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

**\*RESPONSIVE PSALM 82 VU #799**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Colossians 1: 1 - 14**

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL READING:**

**Luke 10:25-37**

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

**SOLO**

**SERMON:**

**\*HYMN VU #684: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (all verses)**

**GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 #288: Great is Thy Faithfulness (vs. 1 & 2)**

**\*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**

Now go, to be God's blessing to others.

**We will not stop measuring out our love by the spoonful,  
but shower everyone with it.**

Now go, to tell share the story of Jesus' love and hope for all.

**We will go to speak of the One who, with grace and wonder,  
shows everyone who they are and who they might be.**

Now go, to pour out the Spirit's compassion in every corner of your life.

**We will go to care for everyone, even those we do not know.**

## **SUNG BENEDICTION VU 884: You Shall Go Out With Joy**

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;  
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field  
will clap, will clap their hands!

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap)  
the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap)  
the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap)  
while you go out with joy.

## **POSTLUDE**

*The call to worship and most of the prayers for today  
were adapted from prayers written by Fr. Thom Shuman  
found on his site Lectionary Liturgies.*

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

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- JUL 10: Rev. Karen Burseay
- JUL 17: Bert Riggs
- July 24: No CSUC Service – Tely Ten Sunday  
St. James UC has invited us to in-person service
- July 31: Bert Briggs



## **2022 MEMORIAL SERVICES**

The dates for this year's Memorial Services are as follows:

Monday, July 18 7:00PM General Protestant Cemetery (Topsail Road)

Monday, August 1 7:00PM Memorial Gardens Cemetery (Beaumont Hamel Way)

*PLEASE NOTE: In the event of inclement weather,  
the services will move ahead to 7:00PM the next evening.*

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

**PASTORAL COVERAGE FOR CSUC:** While Cochrane Street United Church is without a minister, Rev. Oliver Dingwell will be covering all pastoral emergencies and funerals. He can be reached at (709) 640-4632 or by email at: [odingwell@cowanheightsunited.ca](mailto:odingwell@cowanheightsunited.ca). If Rev. Oliver is not available, please contact Paula Reynolds [pt2reynolds@gmail.com](mailto:pt2reynolds@gmail.com).

**Community Space Clean Up Volunteers:** The Church Council sends out a big thank you to the following volunteers for cleaning out the drawers and closet in the kitchen and community space of the Men's Service Club and United Church Women's items (cooking utensils, flatware, plates, serving platters, etc.) and shelving them in anticipation of the pending renovations to the community space: Laura Baker, Adella & Dave Tucker, Carolyn Bradbury, Paula & Tim Reynolds, Mary & Brian Johnston, and Charlotte & Stephen Jewczyk.

**Mission Articulation Plan (MAP) Update:** Your MAP team has been hard at work on your behalf preparing our MAP document, and it is now time for them to check back with the congregation to see if they are on the right track or if you would like them to include other considerations. The document will be distributed via email or regular mail to all congregation members next week. All members are encouraged to provide comments on the document, either positive or negative. You can email or phone a MAP team member directly, or email or mail your comments back to the church (722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com)). MAP Team members will be available after the church service on July 31, 2022, for a meeting to hear your comments and suggestions and answer any questions.

**STUFF THE MOBILE SHELVING FOR BRIDGES TO HOPE!** We are going to fill our shelving with the following items: Canned Beans, Canned Milk, Canned Meats, Mac n Cheese, 1 litre Juice, Cereal, Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Crackers, Cereal. Any other non-perishable food item would be much appreciated. Thank you so much for your support.

**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>

**COMMUNITY HALL AND EXTERIOR WALLS RENOVATIONS: Commencing July 1, 2022,** renovations to the interior space and exterior windows of the community space and apartments by First Light will take place and continue over the summer months into the fall. Renovations to the community space will include new offices, hallways, and the community meeting space itself. Access to the community space will be prohibited during the interior renovations phase of the work. Your patience and cooperation during this period is appreciated.

**OUTDOOR PLANTS:** If you or anyone you know are interested in adding some new plants to your garden, contact Tim at 325-4661. There is a good selection of hostas, corn flowers, primula and saxafrage, and many others left over from our church plant sale. Don't wait! Get them before they're gone!

**SUMMER SERVICES:** The worship committee is looking for volunteers to help lead our services over the summer months. There are lots of ways you can help with this — maybe you could share a reflection/sermon, or lead a learning time, or lead the service with someone else sharing a reflection/ sermon. If you are able to help out in any way please contact the chair of the worship committee Paula Reynolds. [pt2reynolds@gmail.com](mailto:pt2reynolds@gmail.com).

**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](mailto: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.

**COCHRANE CENTRE REPRESENTATIVES:** Cochrane Centre is seeking representatives from Cochrane Street United Church to sit on their Board. Cochrane Centre was the creation of CSUC and we have 4 representatives on the Board. Currently, there are two vacant CSUC positions on the Board. If you are interested in nurturing and furthering our vision as a centre for the community, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com).

**BRIDGES TO HOPE Pantry Volunteers:** Over the summer months, our pantry volunteers take a well-deserved break as we welcome our summer students. We'd like to wish each of our pantry volunteers a safe and enjoyable summer holiday, and we look forward to seeing them again in September!

**BAG TO SCHOOL PROGRAM:** 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 we decided it would be safer to purchase them again this year. 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](http://www.bridgestohope.ca).

**BRIDGES TO HOPE:** Summer has only just begun, but we at Bridges to Hope are getting ready for another run of our annual Bag to School program! This year, registration will be open from **Monday July 25 until Friday July 29**. The registration form will be available on our website, [www.bridgestohope.ca](http://www.bridgestohope.ca), or by phone at (709) 722-9225. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Lesley at [info@bridgestohope.ca](mailto:info@bridgestohope.ca).

**NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR QUEER RESEARCH INITIATIVE:** We are currently collecting archival materials pertaining to 2SLGBTQ+ history in the province. We have put out a general call for any old pictures, documents, or anecdotes related to LGBTQ2s+ life in Newfoundland throughout our history. We want to celebrate their lives and tell the hidden stories of LGBTQ2s+ Newfoundlanders and Labradorians throughout our history. You can contact us at [NLQueerresearch@gmail.com](mailto:NLQueerresearch@gmail.com).

**OUT IN FAITH NL:** We host a service during Pride Week, on Thursday, July 21, this year, beginning 7:00pm at The Lantern, on 35 Barnes Road in St. John's. If you have questions about this event, you can reply to this email, [outinfaithnl@gmail.com](mailto:outinfaithnl@gmail.com).

