

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship: Worship on Sundays is at St. John's Seventh-day Adventist Church at 30 Aldershot Street off Merrymeeting Road. Next week, January 29th, church will commence at 10:30.

Bring Your Travel Mugs! Bring your travel mug on Sundays! There is no dishwasher at St. John's Seventh-day Adventist Church so we are asking everyone to bring their own mug.

No Scents Makes Good Sense! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Reactions can vary from not being able to breathe to severe headaches. Thank you for helping.

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes? If so please contact Harold Grandy.

Email: hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

Announcements: If you wish to have an announcement included in the bulletin, please have it into the office by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.

Donations for 2016: Due to circumstances beyond our control, all donations received after December 24th 2016, will be credited to your 2017 tax receipt.

New Treasurer: Tim Reynolds has agreed to take on the role of treasurer. Thank you Tim. Tim can be reached at: csuctreasurer@gmail.com.

Recycling: Did you know that the church has account at Evergreen Recycling on Elizabeth Avenue? Drop off your recyclables and use the church's phone number for the account number (7223023) and all the money will go to the church. Thanks for your generosity.

Notes from the Archives:

The first organ for our present church building was paid for from insurance money and from a bequest of the estate of Mr. James S. Pitts, who had paid for the previous organ that was destroyed

in the fire of January 1914. The organ was played for the first time on January 14, 1917 by the organist, Mr. Arthur Mews.

Choir: Love singing? Why not join the choir? No stress, no pressure, no expectations, just a group of people who love music, singing together. Some choir members read music, others don't. All are welcome and all are equal. We rehearse 6:30pm on Tuesday nights at Gower Street United and meet at 10:00am on Sunday mornings. So make a joyful noise and join the CSUC Choir!

PAR: What is PAR? It stands for Pre-Authorized Remittance. It means that an amount determined by you gets deducted from your bank account each month. For more information or to sign up for PAR, please contact the church office.

Congregational Email: Do you want to keep up on church news? If so we can add you to the congregational email list. Please send your email to info@cochranestreetuc.com.

WIDER CHURCH

Remits: The United Church of Canada is looking at changing how it governs itself. When making decisions that shape the future of our denomination, every congregation is consulted and asked to vote using the remit process. This year there will be 6 remits to vote on. One of the major remits looks at changing the structure of the United Church from its current four court model to a three court mode. Our church council will be voting on these remits but you don't need to be a member of the church council to participate. If you would like to become involved you are welcome to attend the remit study sessions held at George Street United Church February 11th and 18th 9:30 - 3:15 with a potluck lunch. Our facilitators will be Roy West and Tim Reynolds. Please email info@cochrancestreetuc.com by February 3rd if you would like to attend. The remits and background information on the remits can be found at: www.gc42.ca/remits

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Project Grace: Project Grace is pleased to host it's first fundraising recital: The Painted Violin featuring teaching artist Dominic Greene on violin, with Phil Roberts on piano and special performances by our PG Violin Students. This event will also be the launch for our beautiful violin, hand painted by Cara Kansala of the Grumpy Goat Gallery. The Painted Violin fundraising recital takes place on Sunday January 29th at 3pm in the Suncor Hall at MUN Music School. Admission is by Freewill Donation (Suggested \$10). Questions & Information: projectgracenl@gmail.com or [facebook.com/ProjectGraceNL](https://www.facebook.com/ProjectGraceNL)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2017: The Worship Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at St. Pius X Church (16 Smithville Crescent, St. John's) on Sunday, January 22nd at 3:00 p.m. This year marks the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran/Protestant Reformation. Bishop Martin Currie (Catholic) and Bishop Geoffrey Peddle (Anglican) will give the joint sermon. Please plan to attend.

Wesley United Church Healthy Lifestyle Program: The Healthy Lifestyle Program at Wesley United Church will resume on January 24th with Fitness on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am and Bridge on Tuesdays at 2:00 pm. For further information call 368-0434.

Wesley Male Choir: The Wesley Male choir and Reverend Bill Mercer will hold a service on Sunday, January 29th starting at 6:50 pm with a sing-along. Special guests will be "Jacobs Ladder". All are welcome to what promises to be an enjoyable and uplifting service.

GO Project/Rendez-vous: There will be a meeting of youth, young adults and parents at St. James UC on Monday, January 23 at 7pm in the Fellowship Room. Its purpose is to decide on the dates for some fundraisers and collect deposits for program registrations (\$150/participant). For further information on GO or

Rendez-vous, contact Susan at 722-1881, ext. 204
or youthchurch@stjamesuc.org

Not a Bible Study: *Following Jesus* is a 5 week exploration of the spiritual practices of Jesus and how we can use practices to reach an authentic spirituality following Jesus. Sessions are on Wednesday evenings, 7-8, January 25 - February 22, or Monday mornings, 11-noon, January 30 - February 27, all at St. James UC, 330 Elizabeth Avenue; all are welcome.

T'ai Chi Chih: Come "Awaken the Energy Within" for more natural energy, wellness and joy! Join us for an 8-week Wisdom Healing Qigong session on Tuesdays and T'ai Chi Chih on Wednesdays and Thursdays, morning and evening, at The Lantern, 35 Barnes Road, St. John's, starting January 24th, 25th and 26th. New and returning students welcome! For more details www.Taichichihnl.ca or contact Sheila at sheilaleonard@nl.sympatico.ca or 727-7863.

Living Faith in a Different Way: Are you blessed with room in your heart and home for a child with complex needs due to their family circumstances? Would you consider becoming a stay-at-home mom or dad with a professional fee that makes this possible? Key Assets is a non-profit organization that provides quality family-based care for children and youth who cannot live with their own families. If you are interested in exploring possibilities please log on to: www.keyassetsnl.ca, email: info@keyassetsnl.ca or telephone: 579-1624.