

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Please note bulletins are printed on Thursday mornings.

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.

We acknowledge with thanks a donation to the Memorial Fund:

In memory of Reginald Howell from son Oscar and Family.

In memory of Anne & Bill Bourne and Helen & Horwood Guzzwell from nieces Ruth & Catherine Ruth Davidge.



Thank You to our choir, our readers, our wonderful music Director Evan Smith, guest conductor Yu Hang Tan, soloists Carol Joyce and Grace MacDonald, special guest on piano and percussion Bill Brennan.

Thank You Margaret and Jordan Thornhill, David Boone, Robert Mercer, Joan Soulier, and Gerry Penny for their many hours of help and support decorating our church sanctuary in preparation for the Christmas activities. The decorations and added light make a real difference at this time of year with the decreased hours of daylight. Merry Christmas and God Bless!

Craft and Bake Sale: Sunday School and UCW are inviting us to help Cochrane Centre during tea time on Dec. 17.

A Very Messy Christmas: There will be a joint Messy Church and Sunday School Christmas celebration on Dec. 17, 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Get ready for Christmas by hearing the Christmas Story once again. Come dressed up as your favourite character in the Christmas story. There will be a delicious meal, lots of Christmas carols and a special visitor!

Non-Use Of The Organ: People attending our services may be wondering why the organ has not been played during the service. To preserve the integrity of the beautiful Casavant Organ, it is currently disconnected and will not be connected and operational until such time as the renovations in the annex building are fully completed.

Stuff the Shopping Cart for Bridges to Hope! We are going to fill a shopping cart full of the most helpful items. The top priority items are canned milk and canned beans. Other helpful items are: canned meat, 1 liter of juice or juice boxes, cereal and pasta sauce. Bring your items to church on Sunday. Thank you for your support.

Observer Subscribers: Time to renew your subscription for 2018. If you would like to be a new subscriber please contact me, Paula Reynolds, at 325-2106, or talk to me after church. Cost is \$25.00. Please let me know by December 25.

Recycling: Did you know that the church has account at Evergreen Recycling on Elizabeth Avenue and Blackmarsh Road? 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.

PAR stands for Pre-authorized Remittance. It is one of the many ways you can contribute to the good work being done by Cochrane Street United Church. Your generosity makes it possible for us to gather for worship each week and to reach out and care for others in our community. Brochures are available at the front of the church or you can contact our treasurer, Tim Reynolds, about signing up for PAR or increasing your monthly contribution. Please email csuctreasurer@gmail.com

Remembrance Sunday: We would like to know more about the men whose names we read aloud from the Honour Roll, including those on the Honour Roll in the church foyer. If you have family stories about who died or survived, we would like to hear them. Perhaps next Remembrance Sunday, when we read the names on the Honour Roll of those who served, we will have some stories to go with them. Please contact Heather McMaster at 753-0737 or Rev. Miriam.

CANTUS VOCUM CHAMBER CHOIR presents NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS, an afternoon of beautiful music for the holiday season with special guest KARL WELLS reading from Dickens' classic A CHRISTMAS CAROL, December 17, 2017, 4:00pm, at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Queen's Road at Long's Hill. Tickets, \$20/15 are available from the choir or at the door. www.cantusvocum.com

WaterWerks is collecting donations for their 8th Annual Christmas Diaper Drop. Diapers can be dropped off at 96 LeMarchant Road, or you can donate online at diaperdrop.ca. All proceeds will be going to the Community Food Sharing Association.

The Mount Pearl Show Choir, under the direction of Carl Goulding, will be presenting the thirty-fifth Annual Christmas Festival of Lessons and Carols at Gower Street United Church on Dec. 22, 7:00 pm. Tickets may only be purchased at the door of Gower Street United Church on the evening of the performance. Doors open at 6:00 pm. General ticket admission is \$15.00, with seniors and children admitted at the discounted rate of \$10.00.

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

A final look back at 25 years ago (information taken from the 1992 Annual Report).

On October 18th the Canadian Girls in Training (CGIT) group was formed with 6 members with the leaders being Elizabeth Purchase and Joan Soulier. In addition to learning about the program, practicing for the Christmas Vesper Service, the girls found time for a sleepover at the church! The CGIT Christmas Vesper Service is an annual event prepared by the national association of the CGIT for use throughout Canada. Although usually held in the evening, it was felt that more people should be given the opportunity to share in this service and so our CGIT members, with the help of the Explorers, replaced the morning service on December 27th with the Christmas Vesper Service.

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. Following worship there is a time of fellowship.

USHERING TEAM FOR NOVEMBER

Robert Mercer, Brian Johnston, Peter Crosbie,
Harris Flight, Robert Evans

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET DECEMBER 18 – December 24

Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice
Sunday: 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

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