

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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.

Faith Stories: Lent is fast approaching! Once again, we are looking for volunteers to share their faith story. If you are interested or want to know more, please contact Rev. Miriam at revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com.

Church Council Update: For the last two Sundays it has been too cold to have church in the sanctuary. The church council decided that until the problem can be resolved, Sunday morning worship will be held in the community space. The sanctuary doors will be opened so you will be able to enter through both the Cochrane Street and Bannerman Street entrances. The church council has advised Cochrane Centre of its concern about not being able to use the sanctuary and is working with Cochrane Centre to resolve the situation.

Living the Questions is a video-based group study that helps us explore those pressing questions of faith. Join us at Cochrane Centre (Bannerman Street Entrance) on March 7, 14 & 21 from 7:30 - 9:30pm. Rev. Miriam (Cochrane St) & Rev. Peter (George St) will be our group facilitators.

Cochrane UCW will have an eat-in beef stew luncheon on March 18 after church service. Cost is \$10.00 which includes rolls, St. Paddy's Day dessert, and tea/coffee.

CONGREGATION ANNUAL MEETING is **MAR 18** after the Worship Service with a "Snow Date" of APR 15. Deadline for all reports of church groups and committees to be included in the Annual Report is FEB 20. Please submit your reports, including financial reports, to Harold Grandy preferably in an electronic format via email hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

Cup Towel and Dish Cloth Shower: We are looking for cup towels and dish cloths for the kitchen. Bring them to church on Sunday or drop them off at the office during office hours. Thanks so much.

ZATOUN OLIVE OIL – OUTREACH PROJECT: Our Church Council is offering Zatoun Olive Oil for \$20.00 a bottle. "Zatoun is Palestine in a bottle" - Fair Trade Extra Virgin Olive Oil. Proceeds benefit farmers and children living in occupied Palestine and create awareness for peace in Palestine. Gower Street United Church are distributors for Zatoun as an Outreach Project. Several United Churches and the Presbyterian Church are participating in this project. Please contact Stephen Jewczyk after church or at 753-6265 or sjewczyk@gamil.com if you wish to purchase this oil.



Home Again Furniture Bank: Donating your used furniture could change a life! Home Again Furniture Bank is a non-profit organization providing gently used furniture and household items to individuals and families in need. Home Again works through a referral system of local agencies to ensure that everyone can make their house a home.

Maureen Lymburner would be happy to share information about what they do and answer any questions that might arise. She may be reached at (709) 325-4040 or maureenlymburner@homeagainfb.com. Your support is much appreciated!

Please visit 'Church in the World's Facebook page to keep informed about the actions of the committee as well as other exciting church news. www.facebook.com/Church-in-the-World-East-District-NL-624713811009680/?ref=bookmarks

UNITED COMMUNITY OF FAITH: As many of you are aware, the Downtown Churches here in the city have been meeting for many years. The committee for the Downtown Churches has now been expanded to include all of the United Churches in the city. The new name now is United Community Of Faith. The main focus of the committee is to take action on things in which we have a common interest. In the past, the committee has done many things including the Re-imagining Church, Remit Sessions, Fundraiser for Bridges to Hope, as well as increasing the number of combined services in Winter and Summer months. A meeting of the expanded committee was held at Cowan Heights United Church on OCT 4, 2017, with members of the original committee and representatives from St. James and Cowan Heights. The committee recently held an Asset Mapping Workshop at St. James United Church with 52 individuals attending from all over the city. We are planning joint evening services. Gower will host the first service in MAY 2018 and Cowan Heights will host the second service in OCT 2018. We are considering Common Prayer for all churches. We are also considering a minimum fee for weddings for all churches. We have had discussions with Mr. Jerry Dick, Executive Director, Heritage Foundation NL, regarding Heritage related issues that may lie before us. Do you have any ideas or suggestions that we can bring to our next meeting that will improve the operation of the United Churches here in our city? We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you very much.

Out In Faith Event: A Spirituality Panel discussion will explore queer spiritualities and the diverse ways that queer individuals find, create and maintain community inside, as well as outside, their faith. It takes place MAR 8, 7-9pm, at Bruno Centre, MUN, IIC 2001. Parking is available in Lot 17. Any questions please contact: OutInFaithNL@gmail.com.

Easter Seals NL's annual Easter Week Day Camp will take place at Easter Seals House from April 2- April 6! All registration details will be available soon. Any Questions please contact Megan at megan@eastersealsnl.ca.

***HYMN MV #12: Come Touch Our Hearts**

Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion,
from failing embers build a blazing fire;
love strong enough to overtrun injustice,
to seek a world more gracious, come touch and bless our hearts.

Come touch our souls that we may know and love you,
your quiet presence all our fears dispel;
create a space for spirit to grow in us,
let life and beauty fill us, come touch and bless our souls.

Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason,
set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream;
help us to open doors of understanding,
to welcome truth and wisdom, come touch and bless our minds.

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.

Come touch us now, this people who are gathered,
to break the bread and share the cup of peace;
that we may love you with our heart, our soul,
our mind, our strength, our all, come touch us with your grace.

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

More from 100 years ago!

A number of ministers were considered members of the congregation in 1918 and were also considered members of the Quarterly Official Board. These were Rev. Geo Bond, the Minister, Rev. Liu Suen San, Missionary in Chungking, China, Rev. Levi Curtis, President of Conference and Superintendent Methodist Schools, Rev James Wilson, supernumerary [retired], and Rev T. W. Atkinson, supernumerary and Chaplain to hospitals.

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 MARCH

Keith Bowden, Eldred Butt, Harold Grandy,
John Bowden, David Boone

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET MARCH 5 – MARCH 11

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance
Wednesday: 7:30 PM Living The Questions Bannerman Entrance
Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice
Sunday: 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
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CONTACT REV. MIRIAM

Have a question or need to make an appointment?

You can reach Rev. Miriam in the following ways:

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