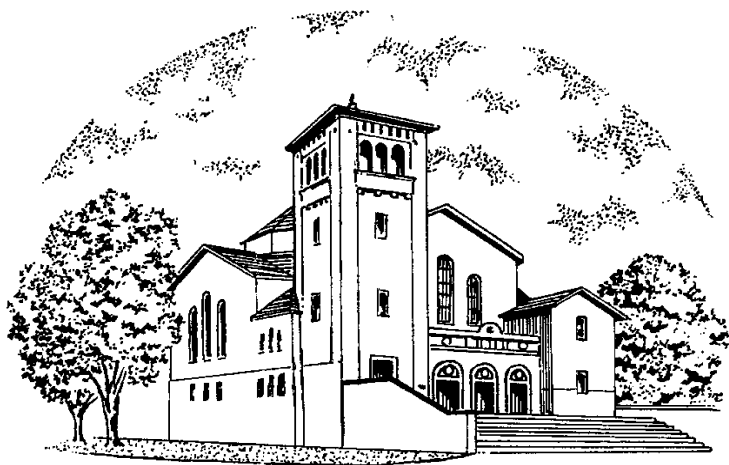


# Cochrane Street United Church

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## August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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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.

Following worship there is a time of fellowship.

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## **USHERING TEAM FOR AUGUST 4**

Jalna McMaster, Sig Lenser, Cecil Pelley, Fraser Ellis, Jo-Ann Kelly,  
& David Mollyneux

## **THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET August 12 – AUGUST 18**

Tuesday: 12:15 Pm Concert Michelle Eagles & Brad Jefford  
Sunday: 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

## **OFFICE**

The Administrative Assistant is on vacation, returning August 13.  
Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact  
Rev. Miriam. Her contact information is below.

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709-754-2532 or [info@cochranecentre.ca](mailto:info@cochranecentre.ca)

## **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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# **GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*please stand as you are able

## **PRELUDE:**

### **\*INTROIT: O Master, Let me Walk with Thee**

O Master let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;  
Teach me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

## **\*WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE:**

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:**

God whose love reaches to the highest heavens

**how can we keep silent?**

God whose righteousness stands like the tallest mountain

**how can we keep silent?**

God whose justice is deeper than any ocean

**how can we keep silent?**

God whose grace flows like a never-ending river

**how can we keep silent?**

How can we not proclaim your majesty

**from generation to generation?**

God whose love reaches to the highest heavens

**we praise your mighty name!**

### **\*PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

**When the journey is hard**

**strength is failing, we lose the path**

**stumble or fall,**

**you raise us up**

**refresh, encourage, give hope.**

**You enable us to continue on our way,**

**climb mountains or simply follow  
day by day. Amen.**

**\*HYMN # 382: Breath on Me, Breath of God**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Merciful God,  
you made us in your image,  
with a mind to know you,  
a heart to love you,  
and a will to serve you.  
But our knowledge is imperfect,  
our love inconstant,  
our obedience incomplete.  
Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness.  
In your tender love, forgive. 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 # 670: Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

**OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY**

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN #542: We Give You But Your Own**

**We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**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**

Reader: Stephen Jewczyk

**Genesis 3:1 - 7**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

Reader: Charlotte Jewczyk

**Luke 1:26 - 38**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

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

**Luke 8:1 - 3**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Michelle Eagles and Brad Jefford**

**SERMON: Who am I?**

**\*HYMN 644: I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry**

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

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Sung Response: VU #400**

## **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 #625: I Feel the Winds of God Today**

## **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**

## **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

## POSTLUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

***NO SCENTS MAKES GOOD SENSE!*** A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Saturday, August 17** – BBQ in the Park (2-4pm) Grounds of Government House

**Sunday, September 15** – Joint Church Picnic Rotary Sunshine Park (Time TBA)

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

#### **Music Under the Dome – A Summer Lunchtime Concert Series**

Cochrane Street United Church is hosting a series of lunch hour concerts from 12:15pm–1:00pm. Enjoy some great local music over your lunch break. There is a suggested minimum donation of \$10.

August 13<sup>th</sup> Michelle Eagles and Brad Jefford

August 20<sup>th</sup>: Katherine Moffatt accompanied by Evan Smith

August 27<sup>th</sup>: Saltwater Strings — Dominic Green & Brett Vey

**Parking Lot Update:** There was a delay in starting the project which was largely due to a Bell Aliant line that runs directly under the current parking lot. We have been working with Bell and the contractor to be very careful when digging not to disturb the line until Bell's engineers finish their plan for moving the line overhead. Another surprise was a large tree stump with an extensive root system that wrapped around the line. This required manual labor to separate the roots from the line and cut the stump in to several pieces to have it removed. The ground composition has also presented a challenge. The engineer was on site to confirm that the ground being excavated could not be re-used to support the paving. Everything had to be removed and then filled with a more appropriate material. The anticipated completion date of August 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Sanctuary Update:**

We had scheduled for sanctuary repairs to begin on July 2. The contractor requested to leave scaffolding up until the following Monday, as it was the only time he could get his employees to set this up. There was a wedding scheduled for that weekend, so that was deemed inappropriate. The contractor felt that they would not be able to finish the work before the next scheduled wedding in August so they backed out of the contract. We are currently seeking another contractor to scrape, plaster, and paint the ceiling underneath the balcony. After consulting with a restoration company "Marlerworks" it was suggested that we invest in draping for the corners

that are the most seriously damaged and wait for a more significant financial contribution before taking on the restoration work required there. They felt that it was not the best use of funds to begin restoring those corners, and sadly we agree. We are working hard on securing bigger dollars to restore and enhance the capacity of the sanctuary as soon as possible! We are hoping to have draping and some basic painting completed before mid-August.

**BAG TO SCHOOL:** Bridges to Hope is once again reaching out to our faith-based community with a request for specific school supplies. We are hoping you can help us to help students get a good start in 2019. This year we are asking for donations of **Scientific Calculators by August 19.**

They can be delivered to Bridges to Hope from 9am-1:30pm Monday to Friday. If this is not convenient, CSUC's administrative assistant will gladly deliver them. Drop them off at the church main office Sunday or Tuesday to Thursday from 10am-3pm.

**Annual BBQ in the Park:** Our Annual BBQ in the park will take place on Saturday, **August 17**, from **2 - 4pm!** New Location: The Grounds of Government House! Every year we serve 100+ people from various outreach agencies hot dogs and hamburgers in Bannerman Park. We count on your support. If you can volunteer, please contact Bill Evans [bill.evans3237@gmail.com](mailto:bill.evans3237@gmail.com). **If you can make a donation to help with the cost of supplies, please place an envelope in the offering plate clearly marked, BBQ in the Park.** Thank you for your generosity and support.

**Envelopes:** Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy. Email: [hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca).

**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! Can't get your recyclables to the depot? Call the church office and we will arrange to pick them up. Thank you in advance for your help.

**ZATOUN OLIVE OIL –** The Church Council is again offering Zatoun Olive Oil for \$20 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 and they have several United Churches as well as the Presbyterian Church participating in this project. If you wish to purchase this oil, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com).

**Bridges to Hope and Clay Café** are teaming up to fight hunger. On Wednesday August 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:30 – 7:00 pm at St Andrews Presbyterian Church you can get a hand painted bowl filled with Turkey or Pea soup, a slice of Homemade Bread and water for \$20. For more information or to pre order go to [www.bridgestope.ca](http://www.bridgestope.ca)

**Burry Heights Day Dinner Theatre:** Let the younger members of the Burry Heights community entertain you while you dine! Join us Saturday, **September 21**, 5PM. For tickets contact [burryheightsday@gmail.com](mailto:burryheightsday@gmail.com) or (709) 754-8824. Stuffed Chicken breast with all the trimmings (\$20); chicken nuggets for kids (\$10).

**Easter Seals House** on Mt. Scio Road, has experienced damage over the weekend of July 5-7, 2019, caused by a plumbing malfunction in a number of important areas. Renovations and repairs are expected to take months. If you are able, the best way to help our flood recovery efforts is to donate directly online at [www.eastersealsnl.ca/give/](http://www.eastersealsnl.ca/give/). Thank you for your generosity.