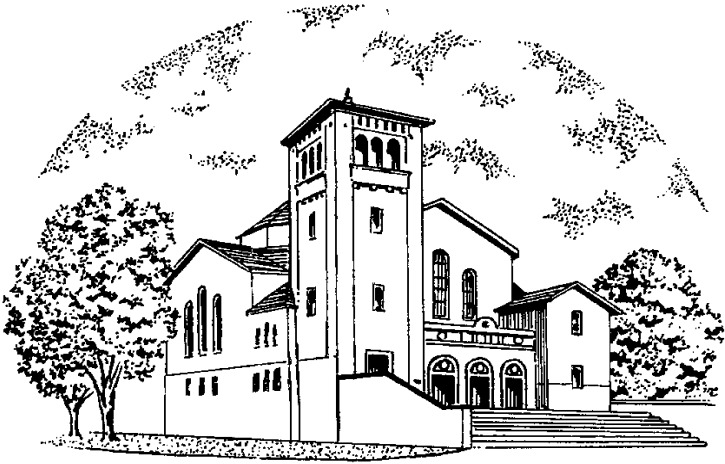


# Cochrane Street United Church

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## August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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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 AUGUST 29

Keith Bowden, Harold Grandy

### OFFICE

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# GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

\*please stand as you are able

## 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 299: Teach Me God to Wonder vs. 1

1 Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;  
let your world of beauty capture me.  
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,  
life be celebrated, joy you give.

## 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 VU 307: Touch the Earth Lightly vs. 4

4 God of all living, God of all loving,  
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,  
teach us, deflect us, Christ reconnect us,  
using us gently and making us one.

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the faith.

**We come to celebrate God's presence,**

and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

**We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,**

and the life we are called to live.

**We come as a pilgrim people  
searching for ways to live out our faith.  
We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.  
Let us rejoice in God's gift to us!**

**PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

**O God, as a gentle rain soaks the earth,  
may your peace and love fall upon us,  
bringing growth and life.  
Soak into our innermost being.  
Quiet all that makes us anxious.  
Help us to linger in your presence,  
and send us out refreshed, to carry your peace to others. Amen.**

**HYMN VU 606: In Christ There Is No East or West vs. 1 & 4**

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north,  
but one great family of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west,  
in him meet south and north;  
all Christ-like souls are one in him  
throughout the whole wide earth.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**You have called us by name, Lord,  
and made us your family.  
Yet we do not always live  
as one body in Christ—  
we neglect to care for your creation;  
we forget that our neighbor is also our sister, our brother.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Loosen the chains  
we place on our lives—  
chains of burden and busyness,  
chains of ignorance and stress.  
Free us to care for your family,  
that we all might dance, sing,  
and praise your glorious name! 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 VU 442: Wash, O God Our Sons and Daughters vs. 1 & 3**

1 Wash us, God, your sons and daughters,  
newborn creatures of your womb.  
Number us among your people,  
raised like Christ from death and tomb.  
Weave us garments bright and sparkling;  
compass us with love and light.  
Fill, anoint us; send your Spirit,  
holy dove and heart's delight.

3 O how deep your holy wisdom!  
Unimagined, all your ways!  
To your name be glory, honour!  
With our lives we worship, praise!  
We your people stand before you,  
water-washed and Spirit-born.  
By your grace, our lives we offer.  
Recreate us; God, transform!

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

Annika Alice Lorraine Caul

Daughter of Shelbie Jost & Michael Caul

Brothers and Sisters, we gather now to celebrate the gift of God's grace that is given to us in the Sacrament of Baptism.

**We are one body and one spirit.**

**We have one hope in the risen Christ.**

There is one Lord, one faith, one Baptism. One God and Creator of us all.

**Out of the waters of baptism we rise to new life, forgiven of sin and one with Christ, members of Christ's body.**

## ***Presentation***

On behalf of the congregation  
I present the following person  
for initiation into the Body of Christ through Baptism:

**Annika Alice Lorraine Caul**

## ***Profession of Faith***

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you promise to resist evil  
and to live in love and justice?

**I do, by the grace of God.**

Do you believe in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit—in God,  
source of love, in Jesus Christ, love incarnate, and in the Holy Spirit,  
love's power?

**I do, by the grace of God.**

Will you join with your brothers and sisters in the mission and ministry  
of Christ's Church?

**I will, God being my helper.**

## ***Vows for the parents:***

Will you share with your child the Christian life, and seek to grow with  
them in faith, hope and love?

**I will, God being my helper.**

## ***Vows for the Sponsor and Godparents***

Do you promise through prayer and example to support and  
encourage Annika Alice Lorraine to be a faithful Christian?

**I do.**

## ***Vows for the Congregation***

Let us pledge our support and care for those being baptized today:

**As a baptized and baptizing congregation, we  
commit ourselves to support and uphold you within  
a community that worships God, loves and serves  
others, seeks justice and resists evil. May God  
grant us all the grace to live out our baptism.**

Let us with the whole Church confess our faith:

**We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.**

### ***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

We give you thanks, Eternal God,  
for you nourish and sustain all living things  
by the gift of water.

You led Israel out of slavery,  
through the waters of the sea,  
into the freedom of the promised land.

**Blessed are you, O God.**

In the waters of the Jordan,  
Jesus was baptized by John.  
and anointed with your spirit.  
By the baptism of his own death and resurrection,  
Christ set us free from sin and death.  
And opened the way to eternal life.

**Blessed are you, O God.**

We praise you that in baptism  
you give us your Holy Spirit,  
who teaches us and leads us into all truth,  
filling us with a variety of gifts,

that we might proclaim the gospel  
and serve as a royal priesthood.

**Blessed are you, O God.**

Pour out, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us,  
and upon this water  
that this font may become our fount of blessing  
and source of grace.

**Blessed be the Lord our God, now and forever. Amen.**

### ***Hopes & Prayers***

#### ***The Act of Baptism***

I present to you, Annika Alice Loraine a member of the Body of Christ through Baptism.

In God's circle of love, we hold on to each other;  
I can see God's love through you.  
In God's circle of love, we learn to love each other;  
Each of us is special, in God's circle of love.

Oh Annika did you know that you are very special?  
You're so special to us all  
Oh come if you will to our circle of love.  
Each of us is special, in God's circle of love.

### **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-Authourized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN VU 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,  
reveal your presence to us this day.  
Send your Spirit upon us  
that we might listen, discern, and take heart.  
Be near us this day  
and may your Word with us stay  
and dwell with us forevermore. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:17 - 26

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

SOLO: Rebecca Sellars

## SERMON:

### HYMN VU 595: We Are Pilgrims vs. 2, 3 & 6

- 2 Sister, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.
- 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.
- 6 Brother, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

## 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 43: Go Tell It on the Mountain**

**Go tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Jesus possessed no riches,  
No home to lay his head;  
He saw the needs of others,  
And cared for them instead. **R**

Christ still comes to his people,  
His life moves through the lands;  
He uses us for speaking,  
He touches with our hands. **R**

Jesus reached out and touched them,  
The blind, the deaf, the lame;  
He spoke and listened gladly  
to anyone who came: **R**

### **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**

**SUNG BENEDICTION VU 422: God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again vs. 1**

God be with you till we meet again;  
loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd's care enfold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet,  
till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again.

### **POSTLUDE**

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

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

August 29: guest soloist, Rebecca Sellars  
September 5: Online Service  
(*Joint service with Cowan Heights United Church*)  
September 12: Communion Sunday

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

**No Scents Makes Good Sense!** A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

**Envelopes:** Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy at [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! 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>

**Social Justice Cooperative's Zero Waste Action Team's 2021 Brand Audit:** The goal of this brand audit is to collect data about the plastics that are making their way into Newfoundland and Labrador's communities and who is responsible for manufacturing them. With this data, our long term goal is to have extended producer responsibility (EPR) implemented in NL, where manufacturers are responsible for taking care of plastic waste instead of the public, who currently funds waste management with tax dollars. Thank you for your support!

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact us at [nlzerowaste@gmail.com](mailto:nlzerowaste@gmail.com). Like, share, spread the news and let's tackle plastic pollution in our province! You have until SEPTEMBER 15 to send us your results.

The Toolkit can be found at:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qH03tEVBQFYhA61uDbisoRbVEVx5KEDI?usp=sharing>

Our Facebook post is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/NLZeroWaste/posts/396472738529218>

**THE FLUVARIUM: The 33rd Annual Rennie's River Duck Race** is happening on October 3 and is sponsored by m5 Marketing Communications! Our Annual Duck Race helps to fund our education programs, which the students of Newfoundland and Labrador have been looking forward to and enjoying for nearly 3 decades. This year we strived to [#SupportLocal](#) by partnering with all local businesses for our ticket coupons! TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW AT THE FRONT DESK OF THE FLUVARIUM! Visit us or call in to purchase (754-3474).

**TechKNOWtutors** offers **FREE** learning sessions to groups from many different backgrounds in instructor-led presentations and hands-on activities. As a result of current Public Health measures, we are now teaching all classes through Zoom. To learn more, email us at [techknowtutors@cscnl.ca](mailto:techknowtutors@cscnl.ca) or view our courses at <https://techknowtutors.ca/upcoming-classes/>. Below is just a sampling of what we offer:

Monday, August 30	6:00–8:00pm	Introduction to Online shopping
Tuesday, August 31	6:00–8:00pm	Canva for Professionals
Tuesday, September 7	2:00–4:00pm	How to Search the Internet
Tuesday, September 7	6:00–8:00pm	Understanding Digital Communication

## **NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES**

Do you remember Thursdays at Cochrane with lunches, organ recitals and tours of the building run by Time Out for Women during the summer months? Here is the menu for July 9, 2009: pea soup, carrot ginger soup; goulash; egg salad, chicken salad, ham and cheese sandwiches with choice of bread; and fruit crisp or ice cream with fruit for dessert. The cost for the meal was between \$5 and \$9 depending on the meal choices.

[Monday July 26, 1880](#): "...On Wednesday, the following Sunday School picnics will be held:-Methodist at Kelly's Farm, Quidi Vidi..."

[Wednesday July 28, 1880](#): "Due to weather picnics postponed to tomorrow."

[Friday July 30, 1880](#): "The Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Sunday School picnics were held yesterday. The weather was delightfully fine, and nothing occurred to mar the day's enjoyment."