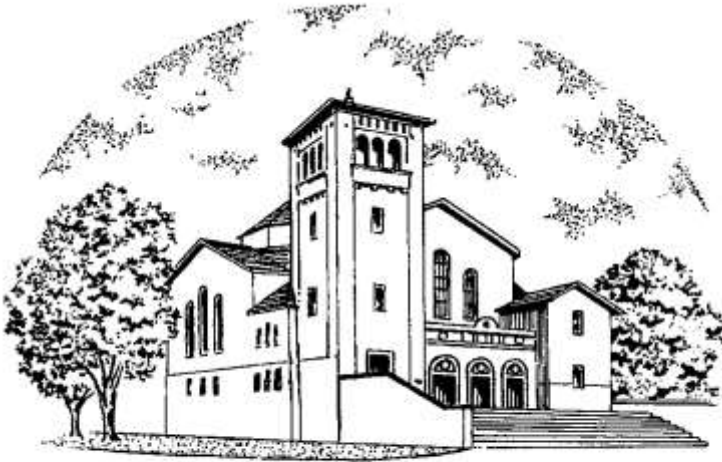


# Cochrane Street United Church

81 Cochrane Street ♦ St. John's, NL ♦ A1C 3L7



## **August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023** **11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost** **Baptism Sunday**

Guest Presider: Rev. Peggy Johnson  
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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 13

Ian McMaster, Gerry Penney, Bill Squires, Blair Bradbury

## OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday	9:00 am	–	3:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am	–	3:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am	–	3:30 pm

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## PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND FUNERALS

Rev. Peggy Johnson will cover all pastoral emergencies and funerals. She can be reached at (709) 685-9223

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

\*please stand as you are able

\*\*bold is in unison

### **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: Ubi Caritas by Paul Halley**

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please see your congregational email for detailed announcements.*

### **INTROIT MV #161: I have called you by your name**

**I have called you by your name, you are mine;**

**I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.**

**I will not abandon you, all my promises are true**

**You are gifted, called and chosen; you are mine.**

### **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, here, we are one.

**Let our actions 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 to be a sanctuary (vs. 1)**

**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

Leader: Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the faith.

**People: We come to celebrate our families and the love we share,**

Leader: and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

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

Leader: and the life we are all called to live.

**People: We come as disciples searching to live out our faith.**

Leader: We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

**People: Let us rejoice in the knowledge that God walks with us.**

## PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Gracious God, we thank you for our loving families and the church family you have given us in Christ Jesus. We pray that you will bless us as we gather this day to worship you. We seek your wisdom in knowing how to care for one another. Help us to hear your word and to do your will. Grant that joy and peace may fill every heart in this place, as we commit ourselves more deeply to you and to each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus -our Lord, our brother, and our friend. Amen.

Hymn 395(VU) "*Come In, Come In and Sit Down*" (Vs. 1, 2 & 4)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of the Gospel, we declare our need of the wisdom that comes from above- pure, peace-loving, considerate, and open to reason. We confess that as humans we can be hypocritical rather than sincere; unforgiving rather than merciful; cruel rather than kind. Forgive the petty jealousy that sometimes leads to quarrels and misunderstanding. Forgive the self-centeredness that often hurts those with whom we share our life journey. Have mercy on us in the name of your Son, Jesus, our peacemaker, and guide. Amen

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured God is with us even now, accepting and forgiving. Amen

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

Amen

Hymn 445 "*A Little Child the Saviour Came*" (Verses 1, 2 & 3)

## The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

**Maria Joan Johnson**

**Daughter of Kathryn Aylward & Michael Johnson**

**(Rev. Peggy's Great-Granddaughter)**

**Godmothers: Maria's Aunties, Sarah Whelan & Alison Johnson**

**\*HYMN**

**"Jesus Loves Me"**

**# 365 VU**

### **LEARNING TOGETHER**

#### **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: MORE VOICES # 191: What Can I Do?**

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**We bring our gifts to you, O God. Here is the work of our hands, the fruits of our labors, and the love of our hearts. Accept them and use them in your service. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY**

#### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:**

**Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, illumine those holy pages, we pray, that our minds may be open to hear your Word, our hearts taught to love it, and our wills strengthened to obey it. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

**Reader: Peter Ralph, Maria's great-uncle**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Proverbs 3:1-7 & Chapter 22: verse 6

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 100, Page 824 (VU)

**New Testament Lessons:** 1 Thessalonians 1-: 2-6

**SOLOIST:**

**SERMON:** “Actions speak louder than words”

*Reflective Music*

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

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Response:** “*Lord hear our prayer*”

**\*HYMN:** “*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*” # 644 VU

### **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**

Let us go in peace to love and care for one another in the name of Christ Jesus. Let us remember that life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, quick to forgive and always be kind.

**\*SUNG BENEDICTION MV #209: Go Make a Difference (Refrain)**

*Refrain:* **Go make a difference. We can make a difference.  
Go make a difference in the world. X2**

**POSTLUDE:** Prelude in D Major by A Glazunov

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AUG 13	CSUC – Rev. Peggy Johnson	AUG 27	CSUC – Rev. Peggy Johnson
AUG 22	CSUC Council Meeting		COMMUNION
AUG 20	CSUC – Bert Riggs	SEP 03	No worship service at CSUC

**NO SCENTS MAKES GOOD SENSE!** A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping create a safe environment in which we can all fully participate.

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

**PASTORAL COVERAGE FOR CSUC:** Rev. Peggy Johnson is covering all pastoral emergencies and funerals. She can be reached at (709) 685-9223 or by email at: [peggyjoanjohnson@hotmail.com](mailto:peggyjoanjohnson@hotmail.com). If Rev. Peggy is not available, please contact Paula Reynolds at [pt2reynolds@gmail.com](mailto:pt2reynolds@gmail.com).

**The Office Administrator is on Vacation** from JULY 31 to and including AUGUST 13. We have Tim Reynolds acting as back up during this time. Should you have any questions, please contact the office as per usual (722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com)). He will check email & voicemail remotely and collect the mail.

**Worship service back in the sanctuary:** As the temperature in the sanctuary is much more pleasant, now, we will return to worship in this space.

**PARKING ON SUNDAYS:** If the Bannerman parking lot is full when you arrive, there is parking available at Stewart Avenue that's behind the College of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland and Labrador (CRNNL).

**VOLUNTEER REQUEST:** Council has started the updating of the Historical Roll for CSUC. This project is a requirement for all pastoral charges. Linda Bowden, CSUC's archivist, is providing invaluable information and leadership for the project. Volunteers review the list of persons on the Roll and contribute valuable information to Council. Anyone interested in assisting with the project should contact Brian Johnston who is the lead for Council with this project, through the church office at 722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com).

**BRIDGES TO HOPE ITEM OF THE MONTH:** For each month of 2023, Bridges To Hope will be suggesting a much-needed food item for members of our partner congregations to consider for donation. These items are staples and will go a long way to ensuring that hampers can be filled. For the month of **AUGUST** we are suggesting Kid's snacks ( applesauce, granola bars, juice boxes, etc).Of course other non-perishable items are always welcome. Thank you for your support!

**BAG TO SCHOOL 2023:** We have the wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young students in our community through Bridges to Hope's Bag to School Program, which we have supported for over a decade. Due to the extreme demand and rising costs to provide essential school supplies and equip over 350 students for a successful academic year, they need to raise over \$25,000. Let's come together as a church family to empower these students and demonstrate the true spirit of compassion and care. You can donate directly at [www.bridgestohope.ca](http://www.bridgestohope.ca).

**BURRY HEIGHTS DAY:** Save the date of Saturday, September 16, 2023, for Burry Heights Day. A time of fun, friendship and music. A time to experience the magic as you reminisce with old friends and meet new.

**Regional Council Office 2023 Summer Hours:** If a required staff person is on vacation, please contact the office at 1-800-268-3781, ext. 6141, or/and another staff person will respond. Emergency number when office is closed is (709) 730-9415. Effective June 26 through to and including September 7, the summer hours for the office and bookstore staff will be:

8:30am - 4:00pm Monday to Thursday AND 8:30am - 12:00pm (noon) on Fridays

Due to staff vacations, you are also encouraged to place bookstore orders by calling Leona (1-800-268-3781 ext. 6141, [l laundry@united-church.ca](mailto:l laundry@united-church.ca)), or shopping online at <https://ucceast.ca/shop>. For safety purposes, the door may be locked. Unless a **closed** notice is posted on the outside door, the office is open. Please ring the doorbell for service.

### **Jesus Loves Me**

**Jesus Loves Me This I Know, for the Bible tells me so,  
Little Ones to him belong, in his love we will be strong.**

#### **Refrain**

***Yes, Jesus Loves Me. Yes, Jesus Loves Me.  
Yes, Jesus Loves me. The Bible tells me so.***

**Jesus loves me this I know, as he loved so long ago,  
Taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."**

#### **Refrain**

**Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,  
Wanting as a friend to give, light and love to all who live.**

#### **Refrain**