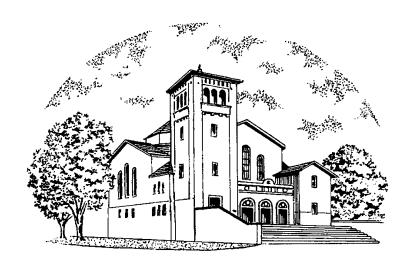
Cochrane Street United Church

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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 FEBRUARY

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

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET FEBRUARY 4 – FEBRUARY 10

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance

Wednesday: 12:15 PM Prayer Group Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesdays 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Thursdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Fridays 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

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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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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE:

*INTROIT VU #87: I am the Light of the World

CHORUS I am the light of the world!

You people come and follow me!
If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery

of what you were meant to do and be.

*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:

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

To you our hearts and souls sing for joy, O God.

Happy are those who live in your house, O Lord of hosts.

Happy are those whose strength is in you, O God.

It is better to be a doorkeeper in your house than to live in the tents of wickedness.

O Lord of hosts, happy are those who trust in you.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Ever-present God, this day enfolds us and surrounds us: be in our speaking and in our thinking; be in our life and on our lips; be in our hearts and in our souls, today and forever. Amen.

*HYMN MV 1: Let Us Build a House vs 1-2, 4 - 5

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus; All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's Children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus; All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger; All are welcome, all are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter;
All are welcome, all are welcome in this place

CHILDREN'S TIME - Dedication of More Voices & New Choir Gowns

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION HYMN BOOKS
God, you are the Singer and the Song;
You call us to enter your gates with thanksgiving,
To make a joyful noise in praise of you.
Bless the use of the hymn books that we dedicate to you today.
May we sing with heart and soul and voice all our lives,
And in the life of perfect praise yet to come. Amen

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR FORMER GOWNS Holy God,

We give you thanks for these choir gowns, They have been a part of our worship since the 1970s. We give thanks to those who wore them to sing your praise and for the music that has inspired our worship. With thanksgiving, we retire these gowns. Amen

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR NEW GOWNS

Eternal God,
We dedicate these choir gowns to your glory.
May our worship of you resonate
in music that lifts our hearts and fills our senses,
in melodies that proclaim our praise
in harmonies that heal and comfort
in songs that strengthen our faith and inspire our work. Amen.

*HYMN MV #154: Deep in Our Hearts

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

*OFFERTORY HYMN MV #182: Grateful

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

God of Courage, be in our speaking. Be also in our listening, and speak to our souls' deep understanding. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 13:1 - 13

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

Reader: Kylie Bradbury

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Luke 4:21 - 30

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

Reader: Astrid Camarena Correa

ANTHEM: Spirit God, Be Our Breath

SERMON:

*HYMN MV #161: I Have Called You by Your Name

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sung Response # MV 85: Take, O Take Me as I Am Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

THE 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 MV 176: Three Things I Promise

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

BENEDICTION MV #220: Hope Shines as the Solitary Star
Hope shines as the solitary star, faith is the inner light.
You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

POSTLUDE

MARK YOU CALENDARS

Sunday, February 10th - Love Sunday: I See Your True Colours

Saturday, February 16th – Messy Church (4pm – 6pm) Tuesday, March 5th – Pancake Supper (5:30 – 7:00)

Sunday, March 10th - First Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 16th - Messy Church (4pm - 6pm) Sunday, March 24th - Irish Stew Luncheon & Annual

Congregational Mosting

Congregational Meeting

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.

Sanctuary Sound System: We have a looped system for the hearing impaired. Please ask one of the ushers for a headset.

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.

<u>Cochrane Street United Church Choir</u> has started up again for the year and we are always welcoming new members! We rehearse every Tuesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm and Sunday mornings at 10. Can't commit to attending every week? Not a problem. Many of our members attend when they're able. Come, let's make some beautiful music together!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper <u>Volunteers</u>: We are having a pancake supper on Tuesday, March 5, and we are looking for volunteers. You can sign up for the time that works best for you. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board on the way into coffee time or you can contact the office info@cochranestreetuc.com

Set up volunteers: 3:30 - 5: 00

Cooks: 4:30 - 7:00 Clean up: 5:30 - 7:30 **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper:** Please join us for a time of fellowship and friendship at our pancake supper March, 5:30 - 7:00pm at Cochrane Centre. We will be serving pancakes, sausages, apple sauce, tea and coffee. Cost is \$7.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. Tickets available next Sunday.

<u>Cochrane Street AGM</u>: Mark your calendars! Our Annual Meeting will take place on **March 24th after church**. It is a great time to look back at what we accomplished together last year and look ahead to the future as we plan for the next few years.

Church Council 2019: We have vacancies on Church Council which is the governing body for the congregation. The church council meets monthly from September to June and as needed for the rest of the year. The church council does important work on behalf of the congregation, have engaging conversations, and fellowship. If you are interested in being part of the church council, please email Rev. Miriam at revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com.

Yoga: Are you interested in a Tuesday lunchtime gentle flow yoga? If so let Rev. Miriam know (revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com) or 728-8410. The cost would be \$5.75 and we need 12 - 15 people to make it work.

MORE VOICES DEDICATIONS

Memorial Dedications

In Loving Memory of Eileen Bradbury, from Carolyn Bradbury White & Gerald White

In Memory of Eileen Bradbury, from
Gerald Bradbury
United Church Women
Men's Club
Laura Baker
Muriel Baker
Cheryl & Byron Briggs
Jean & Lloyd Brown
Tom & Esther Chan
Mildred Chipp
Maxine Chipp
Regina Drover

The Ellis Family
The McMaster Family
Sig & Ruth Lenser
Dr. Frank & Winifred Noel
Maude Peach
Audrey & Bob Rocket
Derrick & Linda Rowe
Elizabeth & Ned Slade
Reuben Warren & Cheryl Davis
Tom & Florence Whalen
Patricia Young

In Memory of Rev. Fred & Eileen Bradbury, from Audrey Hiscock

In Memory of Owen Antle, from Gerald White & Carolyn Bardbury White

In Memory of The Drodge Family, from Betty Barnes

In Memory of Grandmother and Great-Grandmother, Muriel Sifton, from Scott, Miriam, Will & Carrie

In Memory of a Wonderful Mother and Grandmother, Lorraine Parsons, from Scott, Miriam, Will & Carrie

In Memory of Brother and Uncle, Brent Parsons, from Scott, Miriam, Will & Carrie

In Memory of our Mother, Susie L. Butt, from her daughters, Rosalind and Holly

In Memory of our Father, William J. Butt, from his daughters, Rosalind and Holly

In Loving Memory of Parents, Gordon & Hilda, Brothers, John, Roy, Kevin, Sister, Phyllis, from Marie Butt In Loving Memory of Carol Earle, from the McMaster Family In Memory of Aunt Miggi who passed away November 2018 in her 104th year, from Sig & Ruth Lenser

In Loving Memory of Irene & Walter Tucker from daughter, Linda Facey

In Memory of Loved Ones, from Cheryl, Byron, Ellice and Allanah

In Memory of Loved Ones, from Brian & Mary Johnston In Memory of Loved Ones, from The McMaster Family

Celebration Dedications

In Celebration of Our Music Ministry, from Paula & Tim Reynolds

In Celebration of the Birth of a Great Niece, Heather Steel, from Scott, Miriam, Will & Carrie

To my parents, Ana María Correa Vazquez & Miguel Camarena Ramírez, for I wouldn't be studying in St. John's without their unconditional support and love.

With Love, Astrid Camarena Correa

Donations By

J. E. Austin Sr.
The Jewczyk's
Frank & Heather King
Jalna McMaster
Jeff Critch & Cheryl Sullivan
Anonymous

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Choir Gowns

One interesting aspect of the choir in 1916 was the decision to wear gowns. Cochrane Street Church was the first church in the city to introduce a gowned choir for Sunday service. Minutes of the March 9 meeting of Cochrane Street Quarterly Official Board: The Organist and Choirmaster Bro. Arthur Mews addressed the members present as to the wearing of a black gown by the members of the choir. We strongly urged all being robed alike, so as to do away with the various colours of the costumes and hats worn, if also to add solemnity of dignity to the services in our new Church. ... After hearing the remarks made by the Choirmaster as well as of all the members present, that this Board recommends the wearing of the gown by all the members of the choir, together with a suitable cap for the lady members, the same to be used for the first time at the Dedicatory services.

The firm of Messrs. Harcourt & Son, Ltd of 103 King St. West, Toronto was contacted in order to obtain information about ordering the black gowns, with the addition of caps (mortar boards) and white collars for the women. The company made the gowns, and supplied the organist's gown, which was of a special design, free of charge. The caps were imported from England.

The order was as follows:

Twenty ladies choir gowns at \$5.00 each, 20 college caps at \$1.75 each, 20 ladies collars at \$0.35 each, 15 men's gowns at \$5.00 each with the organist's gown at no cost. The total cost was \$217.00 with additional gowns and accessories ordered later. The final cost to robe the choir was \$267.50. By November of 1916, more gowns were ordered, at a further cost of \$37. This means that 29 women and 15 men were gowned. This money was raised by soliciting various members of the congregation, thus there was no cost to the church. On June 2, 1916 Mr. Mews wrote to Messrs. Harcourt & Sons of Toronto, supplier of the gowns, shortly before the church was dedicated: "I feel sure that in a little while the other choirs of the dissenting churches in this city will adopt this dress, which is most fitting and appropriate. At present we are the only choir here using the gowns, and I shall take pleasure in recommending your firm to any who contemplate adopting them."

On the occasion of the dedication of the new church, *The Daily News* reported: *The novelty* [of a gowned choir] is somewhat startling at first, and the courage of the Church authorities in introducing it justifies admiration.

In a letter to Harcourt, on June 2, 1916, shortly before the church was dedicated, Mr. Mews wrote the following: "The various packages containing the gowns, etc. came to hand safely, and we are very pleased with them. They are well made, the material is good, you have suited us well with the different sizes, and the result is altogether pleasing. I feel sure that in a little while the other choirs of the dissenting churches in this city will adopt this dress, which is most fitting and appropriate. At present we are the only choir here using the gowns, and I shall take pleasure in recommending your firm to any who contemplate adopting them."

The choir wore these gowns until the 1970s when the church was re-decorated. The thought at that time was that the choir should be robed in a more contemporary manner and to complement the colour scheme of the sanctuary. Gold coloured gowns were the result. Theses gowns were repaired by the UCW in 2014. The work included refastening snaps and mending holes.

In 2005, at the anniversary service of the church, the choir again wore the black gowns, a sample of which is available in the archives. Over the years, coloured collars, such as mauve for Easter, were used and the use of the women's caps was discontinued.

In 2018, the choir decided it was time to invest in new choir gowns. The choir held a fundraising concert, "How Can I Keep from Singing" to raise money for new choir gowns, our music ministries and Cochrane Centre. It was a successful venture and new choir gowns were bought. The choir wore them for the first time on Sunday November 25, 2018.