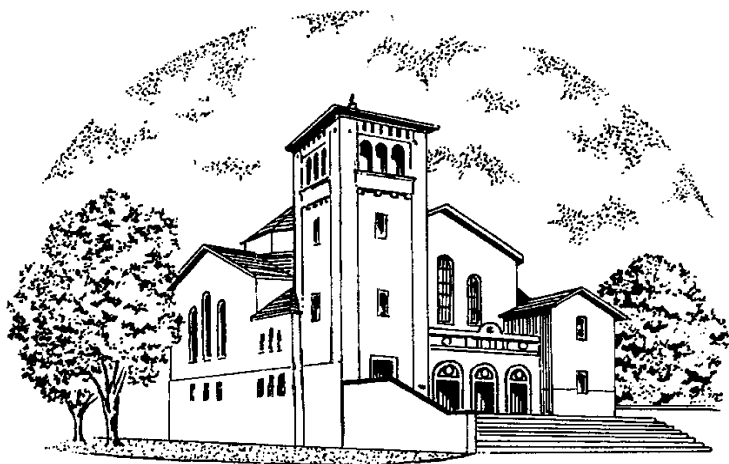


# Cochrane Street United Church

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



## February 17<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 FEBRUARY

Robert (Rick) Mercer, Peter Crosbie, Brian Johnston,  
Harris Flight, Robert Evans

## THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET FEBRUARY 18 – FEBRUARY 24

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance  
Tuesday: 6:30 PM Men's Club 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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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 MV #12, vs. 1: Come Touch Our Hearts**

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

## **\*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:**

Come, faithful people, and find that quiet centre  
where God may enter in.

**We gather as God's people:**

**hungry for holy presence,  
ready for God's Word to us.**

Let us worship God.

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

**Our 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 MV #30: It's a Song of Praise to the Maker**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Merciful God,  
We need your healing,  
give us true repentance.  
Some sins are plain to us;  
some escape us,  
some we cannot face.  
Forgive us;  
set us free to hear your Word to us;  
set us free to serve you. Amen**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

**On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts,  
God knows us better than we know ourselves,  
and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves.  
By God's mercy, we are forgiven;  
by God's mercy, we are made whole;  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

### **\*HYMN 348: O Love, How Deep vs. 1, 2, 3, & 7**

## **OFFERING INVITATION**

## **OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY & PRAYER**

### **\*OFFERTORY HYMN MV #182:**

**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:**

**Holy Spirit,  
Open our hearts to the story of your love.  
Open our minds to new ways of knowing you.  
Open our doors to whom all you would welcome. Amen**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Jeremiah 17:5 - 10**

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

**Reader: Jalna McMaster**

## **RESPONSIVE PSALM 1 Page 724**

**Reader: Judy Kay**

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Luke 6:17 - 26**

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

**ANTHEM: Lord, To Whom Shall We Go, *by Paul McKay***

## **SERMON:**

**\*HYMN 563: Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore**

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

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 602: Blest Be the Tie that Binds**

## **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 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 YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	– Pancake Supper (5:30 – 7:00pm)
Sunday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	– First Sunday in Lent
Saturday, March 16 <sup>th</sup>	– Messy Church (4pm – 6pm)
Sunday, March 24 <sup>th</sup>	– Irish Stew Luncheon & Annual Congregational Meeting
Sunday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>	– Easter Sunday

### 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.

**A Warm Welcome** to the KETO House Bakery that will be using the kitchen Sundays until 11:30am! Our Coffee Time will continue as always.

**HAIRCUTS FOR HOPE** is taking place 1:00pm this Sunday, February 17, in the community room, with set-up beginning 12:30pm. **Coffee Time is still a go!** Please join us after church service in the community space closest to the windows.

**Yoga:** A six-week session is starting on **February 26 at 12:30pm**. If you'd like to register, please contact the office at [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com) or 722-3023. The cost would be \$5.75.

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

**COFFEE TIME:** We are looking for anyone who would like to help out at Coffee Time on Sundays. If interested, please contact the office at 722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com). Orientation would be gladly provided.

**CSUC Men's Service Club:** The next regular meeting will be held at Cochrane Centre (via Bannerman Street entrance) on Tuesday, **February 19, at 6.30pm**. See you there and God Bless. For further information, please contact the church office at 722-3023. *Gerry Penney, Chairperson*

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Volunteers:** 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](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com)

Set up volunteers: 3:30 - 5:00pm

Cooks: 4:30 - 7:00pm

Clean up: 5:30 - 7:30pm

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

**Cochrane Street AGM:** Mark your calendars! Our Annual Meeting will take place on **March 24 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](mailto:revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com).

**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! Thank you in advance for your help.

**Hymns For All Hands** is being offered on **Feb. 17, from 3-4pm**, at Gower Street United Church. We will be singing popular hymns together, led by Dr. Doug Dunsmore. The event is free. Hymns For All Hands is one of the many programs we offer, as a not-for-profit charitable organization, that has been established to get more people singing - together!

**Yu Hang Tan Graduation Recital:** The choral conducting graduation recital will take place **March 12, 7:30 pm**, at **D.F. Cook Recital Hall**. Everyone is invited and admission is free. From Yu Hang, "I have had quite some detours in my musical journey (studying business instead of music for my undergraduate). I wouldn't be doing what I'm doing today if it weren't for the amazing and supportive people I met in my journey of learning choral conducting. That's why I'm ending my recital with a Malaysian piece called "Rasa Sayang" (literally translates to feeling loved in Malay) and naming the recital as "Rasa Sayang | Love is..." because I feel loved and blessed. Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir and Suara Chamber Choir, a choir of 23 singers that I founded last September, will be singing in my recital. We'll be performing a few Malaysian folksongs. It's going to be quite different from the choral music we usually hear in Atlantic Canada."

**On February 26, 12:30 - 1:30pm**, the **Alzheimer Society** of Newfoundland and Labrador is hosting another **Lunch & Learn webinar** – free and open to the public. The aim is to provide information about our First Link Program and inform you of the process to connect individuals with us. If you are interested in being registered for the webinar, email your name, email address to [firstlink@alzheimernl.ca](mailto:firstlink@alzheimernl.ca) or, call us at 576-0608.

**Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS)** is seeking assistance in raising awareness about MDS and hopefully attracting volunteers to build a network across Atlantic Canada to be the hands and feet of Jesus, better enabling MDS to respond to disasters of all kinds. Here is a link to our Facebook group for the MDS Atlantic Canada Unit: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mdsacu/>. Please consider joining our group. Below are some websites to give you a better understanding of what we do:

<https://mds.mennonite.net/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCW347jonvXfE0MGPRizek6A>

<https://www.facebook.com/MennoniteDisasterService/>

## NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Did you know?

In 1971, a number of pews were removed from the sanctuary, on the sides at the front and at the rear near the windows. This was completed by Sept 1, 1971.

Also in 1971, the balconies in the gym were still open.