

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS

To celebrate the birth of her first grandson, Parker Grimes,
on January 24, 2018, from (Nannabelle) Joyce Grimes.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

In Memory of Lorraine Critch from Stella Brown

In memory of Lorraine Critch from the Power Family

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

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 Big Thank You from the Church Council for all the helpers and donations that made our pancake supper such a big success!

Faith Stories: Lent is fast approaching! Once again, this year we are looking for volunteers to share their faith story. If you are interested or want to know more about this, please contact Rev. Miriam at revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com

Cup Towel and Dish Cloth Shower: We are looking for cup towels and dish cloths for the kitchen. Bring them to church on Sunday or drop them off at the office during office hours. Thanks so much.

Cochrane UCW will have an eat-in beef stew luncheon on March 18 after church service. Cost is \$10.00 which includes rolls, St. Paddy's Day dessert, and tea/coffee.

CSUC Men's Service Club: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday February 20, 2018, at 6:00 pm and will be held at **Gower Street United Church Hall**. ***Please note the time change and location.*** Gower Street Club has invited our club this month for a joint meeting. See you there and God Bless. For further information please contact the church office at 722-3023. *Gerry Penney, Chairperson.*

CONGREGATION ANNUAL MEETING is scheduled for **March 18, 2018**, after the Worship Service with a "Snow Date" of April 15, 2018. Deadline for all reports of church groups and committees to be included in the annual report is February 20, 2018. Please submit your reports including financial reports to Harold Grandy preferably in an electronic format via email hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

Church Council 2018: The church council meets once a month and is responsible for leading the congregation. If you are interested in living out your faith by serving on the church council, please contact Rev. Miriam. Email: revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023.

FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL: The Church Council voted on REMIT 6 (The One Order of Ministry) after the Congregation Information & Feedback session of February 11, 2017. The Council unanimously voted NO to the question:

“Does the presbytery/pastoral charge agree that there should be one new order of ministry encompassing the present categories of recognized designated lay ministers, diaconal ministers, and ordained ministers, with ordination to the ministry of word, sacrament, education, service and pastoral care as the single rite of entry, and with provision for the continued identity of the diakonia within the ordained ministry?”

The Council's decision is forwarded to the United Church of Canada. The Council thanks those members of the congregation who attended and participated in the information and feedback session.

UNITED COMMUNITY OF FAITH: As many of you are aware, the Downtown Churches here in the city have been meeting for many years. The committee for the Downtown Churches has now been expanded to include all of the United Churches in the city. The new name now is United Community Of Faith. The main focus of the committee is to take action on things in which we have a common interest. In the past, the committee has done many things including the Re-imagining Church, Remit Sessions, Fundraiser for Bridges to Hope, as well as increasing the number of combined services in Winter and Summer months. A meeting of the expanded committee was held at Cowan Heights United Church on Oct. 4, 2017, with members of the original committee and representatives from St. James and Cowan Heights. The committee recently held an Asset Mapping Workshop at St. James United Church with 52 individuals attending from all over the city. We are planning joint evening services. Gower will host the first service in May 2018 and Cowan Heights will host the second service in October 2018. We are considering Common Prayer for all churches. We are also considering a minimum fee for weddings for all churches. We have had discussions with Mr Jerry Dick, Executive Director, Heritage Foundation NL, with regard to Heritage related issues that may lie before us. We would like to hear from you, our congregation of Cochrane Street United Church. Do you have any ideas or suggestions that we can bring to our next meeting that will improve the operation of the United Churches here in our city? We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you very much.

ZATOUN OLIVE OIL – AN OUTREACH PROJECT: The Church Council is offering Zatoun Olive Oil for sale at \$20.00 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. Several United Churches and the Presbyterian church are participating in this project. Please contact Stephen Jewczyk after church or at 753-6265 or sjewczyk@gamil.com if you wish to purchase this oil.

Bridges to Hope invites you to Give 30! We challenge the community to give up a daily perk for 30 days, and donate the money you would have spent to help feed a neighbour in need. Or you can even just put aside a dollar or two day if you can't think of anything you should cut out of your life. Bridges to Hope has provided extra envelopes to your church office to keep your Give 30 funds in a safe and easy to remember place. We invite you to follow Bridges to Hope on Facebook where there will be extra ways for you to join in the Give 30 initiative. If you are social media savvy please search for #bridgesgive30 on your chosen network starting Monday, February 19th.

Rediscovering the Art of Dying – How Jesus' Experience and Our Stories Reveal a New Vision of Compassionate Care: Sister Nuala Kenny's new book is for anyone undergoing illness, suffering, and dying. It is also for families and friends who accompany the sick, dependent, and dying, and for caregivers who accompany them. There will be a public session Feb. 17, 10:00am – 12:00pm, at Corpus Christi Parish Hall, Waterford Bridge Road.

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Some random notes

1929 – Smoking was no longer permitted in the church.

1930 – Coat and hat hangers were installed on landings outside gallery doors.

1931 – Pew cushions were not permitted in the sanctuary.

Oct 1931 – The church boilers had passed inspection. The winter's coal, 40 tons, was purchased at a cost of \$10.50 per ton (\$155 per ton in 2017 dollars).

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

Roger Crosbie, Jim Austin, John Perlin
Jeff Critch, Jim Oakley, Lloyd Brown

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET FEBRUARY 19 – FEBRUARY 25

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance
Tuesday: 6:00 PM Men's Club Gower Street United Church Hall
Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice
Sunday: 1:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

OFFICE

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CONTACT REV. MIRIAM

Have a question or need to make an appointment?
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