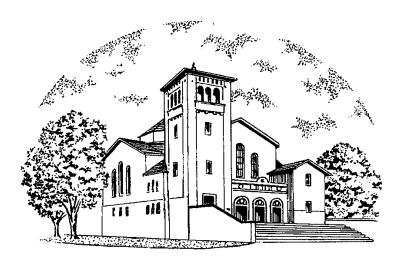
# Cochrane Street United Church

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



### January 19, 2020 Second Sunday after Epiphany

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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 JANUARY**

Peter Crosbie, Harris Flight, Sandra Garland, Brian Johnston, Sandy Stavlo

### THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET JANUARY 20 – JANUARY 26

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman St Entrance Tuesday: 6:00 PM Men's Club Mtg, Bannerman Entrance

Thursday: 12:30 PM YOGA Flow, Community Hall,

Bannerman Entrance

Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice

#### **OFFICE**

Office Hours: Tuesdays 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Wednesdays 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Thursdays 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Cochrane Centre Contact information for bookings 709-754-2532 or info@cochranecentre.ca

#### **PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND FUNERALS**

While Rev. Miriam is on sabbatical, Rev. Bruce Kearly will be covering all pastoral emergencies and funerals.

You can reach him at (709) 739-9025

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

\* Please Stand as you are able

Worship Leader: David Peters

PRELUDE:

\*INTROIT: A Light Is Gleaming #82VU (chorus)

A light is gleaming,
spreading its arms throughout the night,
living in the light.
Come share its gladness,
God's radiant love is burning bright,
Living in the light.

#### \*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: Jesu tawa pano #189MV (Jesus We Are Here)

Jesu tawa pano; Jesu tawa pano; Jesu tawa pano; tawa pano, mu zita renyu. Jesus, we are here; Jesus, we are here; Jesus, we are here; we are here for you.

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

We have been called the salt of the earth.

Let us remain distinctive and salty.

We have been called the light of the world.

Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain or confusion.

We have been called a city set on a hill.

Let us, like Jerusalem, lift our gates, lift our hearts, lift our voices in the worship of God.

#### \*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Spirit of the Living God, who gathers the church into one body, we gather again in Christ's name to worship you. Make us aware of your presence in what we say and do and dream. Strengthen the ties of faith and affection that hold us together as your people. Strengthen us for love and service in the world. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

\*HYMN: Just As I am #508VU

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God, you love us with an everlasting love, and you grant us with the gift of your mercy. We seek this mercy as we offer our prayers of confession. We acknowledge that we have not always been merciful in our dealings with one another.

We acknowledge that in what we have thought, said, and done, has not always portrayed the grace and love that we are to show our neighbour.

Forgive us, correct us and redirect us that we might demonstrate your love and your mercy in all that we say and do.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

In our love for others,
we discover God's love for us.
In our forgiving of others,
we learn once more how deeply God has forgiven us.
Friends, this is the good news offered to us!
We are God's children, called to be different,
called to act different, called to live as new
people. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. Amen.

#### CHILDREN'S TIME:

\*HYMN: See Amid the Winter Snow #76VU

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see insert)** 

Lily Ann Charlotte Bradbury Son of Stephen and Renee Bradbury

#### OFFERING INVITATION:

#### OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY:

\*OFFERTORY HYMN: Asante Sana Yesu #88MV

I thank you, thank you, Jesus, I thank you, thank you, Jesus, I thank you, thank you, Jesus, in my heart.
I thank you, thank you, Jesus, I thank you, thank you, Jesus, I thank you, thank you, Jesus, in my heart.

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

Gracious God,
Accept all that we offer to you today.
Bless our gifts of time and talent,
as well as our gifts of money.
May they all be used for the building up of your Kingdom.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

#### GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: ISAIAH 49: 1–7
The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.
Reader: Dave Tucker

RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 40 (pg. 764VU)

Reader: Dave Tucker

**GOSPEL READING: JOHN 1: 29-42** 

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM:** You Are Mine

**SERMON:** Finding God in the Heavens Again

\*HYMN: What Wondrous Love Is This #147VU

#### 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: Saviour, Again to Your Dear Name #426VU

#### 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: I'm Gonna Shout #183MU

I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love for Jesus, for Jesus! I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love for God's most holy child! For whatever I might do today,

At home, at school, at work, at play, I've got Jesus' love deep down inside of me!

#### **POSTLUDE:**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Money was donated to Cochrane Centre thanking the UCW for their help during the Ellis's 60th wedding anniversary.

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

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

## SUNDAY SCHOOL has recommenced! Please bring your children and grandchildren.

#### JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2020 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

JAN 19 (11:00 am) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (David Peters)

**JAN 26 (11:00 am)** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (Rebecca Pike)

FEB 2 (11:00 am) - Communion (Rev. Eric Hillier)

FEB 9 (11:00 am) - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (Tim Reynolds)

FEB 16 (11:00 am) - 6th Sunday after Epiphany

Eleanor Bonnell, Bridges to Hope (message)

Stephen Jewczyk (leading service)

FEB 23 (11:00 am) - Transfiguration Sunday (Rev. Bruce Kearley)

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**TUE, JAN 21 (6:00pm)** – Mens' Service Club Mtg, Community Hall, Bannerman **FRI, JAN 24 (12:30pm)** – Regional Conference Local Coordinating Cmte Mtg,

18 Cornwall Ave

<u>COCHRANE STREET AGM</u>: Mark your calendars! Our Annual Meeting will take place on **March 22 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.

**ANNUAL REPORTS:** Hello Everyone, it is that time of year again! We are getting ready for our annual meeting. Please send us your annual report to the office <a href="mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com">info@cochranestreetuc.com</a> before Friday, February 14, 2020. If your group has its own bank account, please include your financial statement.

**REQUEST FOR USHER VOLUNTEERS:** We are seeking more ushers for our January team as well as to supplement our other ushering teams. If interested, please contact the church office at <a href="info@cochranestreetuc.com">info@cochranestreetuc.com</a> or 709-722-3023. Your help is much appreciated!

**YOGA Flow Registration now open!** It's for 6 weeks from **JAN 16 to FEB 27, 12:30pm**, at Cochrane Centre, 42 Bannerman Street. Cost is \$39.50 (includes HST & \$5 CC Facility Fee). To register, please click here: <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/karmafitnessyoga/yoga-flow-registration-cochrane-st-church">https://sites.google.com/site/karmafitnessyoga/yoga-flow-registration-cochrane-st-church</a>.

**CSUC MEN's SERVICE CLUB:** The next meeting will be held at Cochrane Centre on **Tuesday**, **January 21**, <u>6:00pm</u>. All men are welcome to attend and enjoy an evening of good food, great fellowship, and fun. For further information and to confirm your attendance, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or <a href="mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com">info@cochranestreetuc.com</a>.

FIRST LIGHT & CCOPC MONTHLY UPDATE: All of our regular long-term rentals are back with us after a short break for the holidays! Art Hive continues to run programs in the small rental space and the kitchen space is rented out every day of the week. We also have 16 rentals booked in our Event Space this month, and 12 rentals in the Performance Space!

FEB 21–22: Art Hive Exhibition

For more information, please call 754-2532 or email <a href="mailto:heidi@firstlightnl.ca">heidi@firstlightnl.ca</a>.

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:** First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council has launched a call for nominations for two new committees:

- Marketing/Animation and Funding Development Subcommittee, Sing 2025
- Web Content Development Subcommittee, Sing 2025

Further details and <a href="www.united-church.ca/opportunities">www.united-church.ca/opportunities</a> and on the bulletin board. Please share this with people who might express their interest, or nominate others. Expressions of interest and nominations can be submitted using this online form, <a href="https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/sing2025">https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/sing2025</a>. However, people are also welcome to submit by email, mail, or whatever method works best for them. <a href="Deadline to express">Deadline to express interest is MON, FEB 10</a>.

Nominations Team of First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council: We acknowledge we're all in that growing phase together, getting used to a new regional model. Instead of leaving the care of our new United Church family structure in the hands of a few people, we need to work together as a village, working together to make sure we bear the good and bad as a family. This means working in groups – committees – to bring about good in God's name. If things go wrong, you can be a part of the solution to help mend it. God is calling us to work together on this family and we really do need everyone's help to make it work. If you can help or need more information, contact Bruce Rideout at <a href="mailto:bruce.rideout@ymail.com">bruce.rideout@ymail.com</a> and share your area of interest.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:** The St John's and Area Council of Churches invites you to join them at Salvation Army Citadel, Adams Ave, St. John's, to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Sunday, **JAN 19, 3:00pm**. Please include Christian Unity in your pastoral prayers.

#### NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

On February 14, 1904, a "Service of Praise in commemoration of the total extinction of the debt on Cochrane Street Methodist Church" was held. The building had been dedicated on May 14, 1882 with the cost of the church, organ and furniture being about £6250.