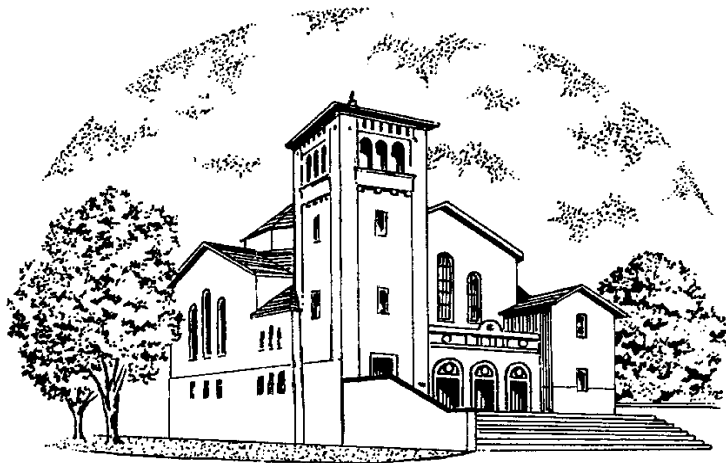


Cochrane Street United Church

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



January 26, 2020
Third 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 27 – FEBRUARY 2

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman St Entrance
Tuesday: 12:30 PM YOGA Flow, Sanctuary, Bannerman St
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: Rebecca Pike

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 are summoned here by our holy God,
**who calls us each by name, and gathers us together
in the unity of Jesus Christ.**

From classroom and kitchen and carpool,
we are called into God's presence.

Young and old and middle-aged,
individuals and families,
soft-spoken and outspoken,

we hear our names being called to join in worship.

This house of worship

is a place to pursue God's vision for all people:

unity and joy and faith expressed through different gifts.

Let us worship together!

***PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

**God of community, we thank you for your church.
We thank you that, in spite of our imperfections,
we can still come together in prayer and praise.
We are grateful for the place we call home
where we belong washed in the waters of baptism
and welcomed at Christ's table.**

**We pray that we might be your courageous,
strong people working for unity and peace,
caring for those who are hungry and homeless,
bringing your love to those who long for new life.
We pray through Christ, who is our sure foundation. Amen.**

***HYMN: Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus**

#661VU

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**God of new songs, we admit that we do not always
appreciate the necessity of change.**

**We are reluctant to enter into new commitments
to which you call us.**

We do not always embrace the changes in our lives.

We can be stuck in our old ways and forget your ways.

**Although you forgive us for our errors, God,
we are not often quick to forgive others.**

**Help us to forgive each other, to forgive ourselves, and to
follow in paths of love, kindness, and justice. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

No matter where we are, God is there.

No matter what we have done, God forgives.

No matter what we think of ourselves, God loves us.

God is full of unconditional and unending love.

We are a forgiven people. Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME:

***HYMN: Blessed Jesus At Your Word**

#500VU

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see insert)

Lily Ann Charlotte Bradbury

Son of Stephen and Renee Bradbury

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY:

***OFFERTORY HYMN: Asante Sana Yesu #188MV**

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:

Open these age old words to us, O God.

Open them to us so they can be new and fresh.

**Open them to us so your call can be heard again in this
time and place.**

**Give us what we need so that we too can answer in grace
and in truth. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: ISAIAH 9:1-4

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Reader: David Peters

RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 27 (pg. ??VU)

Reader: Cheryl Briggs

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 4:12-23

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: You Are Mine

SERMON: Follow Me, Let's Go Fishing

***HYMN: Like a River of Tears**

#98MV

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: By Touch and Word #427VU

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 #183VU

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!

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 sensitive to scented products. 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 26 (11:00 am)** – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany (Rebecca Pike)
FEB 2 (11:00 am) – Communion (Rev. Eric Hillier)
FEB 9 (11:00 am) – 5th 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

- FRI, JAN 31 (12:30pm)** – Regional Conference Local Coordinating Cmte Mtg,
18 Cornwall Ave
SUN, MAR 22 – Cochrane Street United Church Annual General Mtg

COCHRANE STREET AGM: 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 info@cochranestreetuc.com before Friday, February 14, 2020. If your group has its own bank account, please include your financial statement.

CHILDREN'S TIME VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for volunteers to do Children's Time during Sunday worship service. If interested, please contact the church office at 722-3023. Thank you for sharing your talents!

BROADVIEW (Observer): Annual Subscriptions are now due. Subscriptions cost \$25. Please have your monies sent to Paula Reynolds by February 16, 2020, 18 Cornwall Ave, St. John's, OR call her at 325-2106. Please make cheques payable to Broadview.

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 info@cochranestreetuc.com or 709-722-3023. Your help is much appreciated!

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

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 heidi@firstlightnl.ca.

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 located at www.united-church.ca/opportunities 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, <https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/sing2025>.

However, people are also welcome to submit by email, mail, or whatever method works best for them. **Deadline to express interest is MON, FEB 10.**

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, bearing 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 bruce.rideout@ymail.com and share your area of interest.

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.