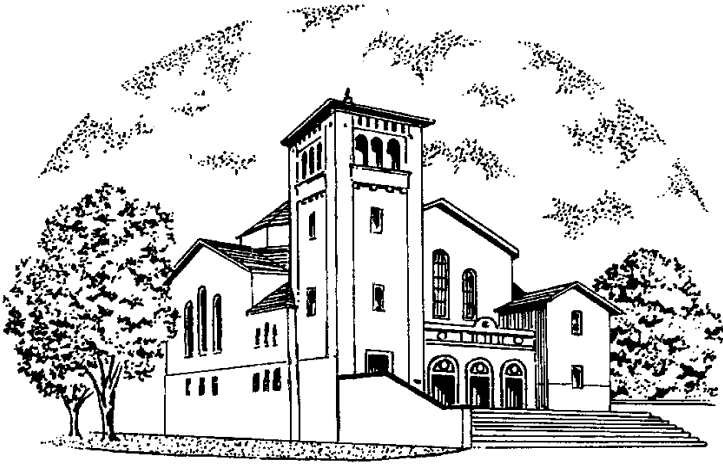


Cochrane Street United Church

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July 18th, 2021

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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.

USHERING TEAM FOR JULY 18

Jalna McMaster, Fraser Ellis, Jo-Ann Kelly, David Molyneux

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET JULY 19 – JULY 25

Sunday: 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
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Have a question or need to make an appointment?

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully acknowledge the territory in which we gather as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk, and the island of Newfoundland as the ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq and Beothuk. We would also like to recognize the Inuit of Nunatsiavut and NunatuKavut and the Innu of Nitassinan, and their ancestors, as the original people of Labrador. We strive for respectful relationships with all the peoples of this province as we search for collective healing and true reconciliation and honour this beautiful land together.

PRELUDE:

INTROIT VU 299: Teach Me God to Wonder vs. 1

1 Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;
let your world of beauty capture me.
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
life be celebrated, joy you give.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see your congregational email for detailed announcements.

LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE & PASSING OF THE PEACE:

The light of Christ is with us

Here. Now. In this place.

In Christ, although we are many,

We are one.

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 VU 307: Touch the Earth Lightly vs. 4

4 God of all living, God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
teach us, deflect us, Christ reconnect us,
using us gently and making us one.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Jesus calls us to
praise and prayer,
to song and silence:

Jesus calls us to worship.

Jesus calls us to hearing and healing,
to service and solidarity:

Jesus calls us to love.

Jesus calls us to advocacy and action,
to protest and provision;

Jesus calls us to justice.

Let us heed the call of Christ.

Let us worship together with joy. Amen.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

**O Still Speaking God,
throughout history and the wide world,
you have gathered people around your Word
to instruct and inspire.**

**We give thanks for all who have received your vision
and shaped diverse and faithful communities
to follow in your Way.**

**Continue to open that vision to us,
that we may become transformed
by the renewing of your Word in our hearts.**

Enable us to grow in love and understanding for each other.

**You are the Spirit we seek when we are troubled
and the courage we need when we venture into our days.**

Bless us today and everyday with your steadfast love. Amen.

HYMN VU 374: Come and Find the Quiet Center

1 Come and find the quiet centre
 in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
 find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
 clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
 be at peace, and simply be.

2 Silence is a friend who claims us,
 cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
 knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking,
 lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
 finding scope for faith begun.

3 In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves from reaching out to those who need your care. We take your words – that there will always be unmet needs – as a reason not to try to meet the needs we can. Forgive us, and help us to change. Renew our determination to live as faithful followers, faithful disciples, faithful Christians. Help us to work with you for the well-being of your creation, that the fortunes of all your peoples may be restored. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

God's love is sure and steadfast,
always providing a way out,
a way through, a way back to God.
We are a forgiven people.
Thanks be to God. Amen

LEARNING TOGETHER

HYMN VU 288: Great Is Thy Faithfulness v 3

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow -
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide.
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

There are many ways you can offer your financial gifts. As you enter the sanctuary you may lay your offering in the plate. You can send your offering by mail or drop them off in the mailbox. You can donate via eTransfer: csuctreasurer@gmail.com. You can sign up for PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.

Friends in Christ,

God's ancient, steadfast love is not a love that simply waits for us to stop wandering and return home.

God's love comes seeking us, and gives us the gift of Jesus, so that we might have life abundant.

Our giving this morning,

whether we have been lost and wandering, or secure and safe, expresses our firm conviction that God is with us, no matter what.

Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God

in gratitude, heartfelt commitment, and praise.

OFFERTORY HYMN VU 542: We Give You But Your Own

We give you but your own,

whate'er the gift may be;

all that we have is yours alone,

we give it gratefully.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Holy Creator;

you call us to be made holy, to be made in your image.

We trust in your generosity,

and so are free to be generous ourselves,

opening our hearts freely,

giving to the work of your church in our world.

Bless these gifts and us to your service, Amen.

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Calm us now, O Lord, into a quietness that heals and listens.

Open wounded hearts to the balm of your Word.

Speak to us in clear tones so that we might feel our spirits leap for joy and skip with hope as your resurrection witnesses. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM 17 VU page 739

Hear my just cause; attend to my cry, O God.

Listen to my prayer from lips that do not lie.

Let judgment in my favour come forth from your presence:

and let your eyes discern what is right.

If you examine my heart, if you visit me by night,

If you test me, you will find no wickedness in me.

As for what others do, according to the command of your lips

I have kept from travelling with the violent.

My steps have been firm in your paths,

and my feet have not stumbled.

I call upon you, God, for you will answer me.

Incline your ear to me and hear my words.

Show me the wonders of your steadfast love;

for by your right hand you save from their enemies

those who take refuge in you.

Guard me as the apple of your eye;

hide me under the shadow of your wings,

from the wicked who assail me,

from deadly foes who surround me.

As for me, I shall see your face because my plea is just,

when I awake and see your face, I shall be satisfied.

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 50: 4-9

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 27: 1-10

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

SOLOIST: Lia Dumaresque Correa

SERMON: The Demonization of Judas

Reflective Music

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 VU # 282: Long Before The Night

- 1 Long before the night was born from darkness
Long before the dawn rolled unsteady from fire
Long before she wrapped her scarlet arms around the hills
there was a love this ancient love was born
- 2 Long before the grass spotted green the bare hillside
Long before a wing unfolded to wind
Long before she wrapped her long blue arm around the sea
there was a love this aching love rolls on
- 3 Long before a chain was forged from the hillside
Long before a voice uttered freedom's cry
Long before she wrapped her bleeding arms around a child
there was a love this ancient love was born
- 4 Long before the name of God was spoken
Long before a cross was nailed from a tree
Long before she laid her arm of colours 'cross the sky
there was a love this ancient love was born
- 5 Wakeful are our nights and slumbers our morning
Stubborn is the grass sowing green wounded hills
As we wrap our healing arms to hold what her arms held
this ancient love this aching love rolls on

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

As people of faith we have gathered for worship.

As people of faith we now return to the world.

Go out to share the story of faith,
the story of life, with the world around you.

We share the faith in word and in deed, in speech and in action.

As you go out to give a living witness,
as you go out to testify to God's love active in the world,
go knowing that God goes with you,
sharing the laughter and the hope, the fears and the tears.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

SUNG BENEDICTION VU 422: God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again vs. 1

1 God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again

POSTLUDE

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave the pew.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- July 18: Guest Preacher Katie Vardy, guest musician Maggie Power
soloist Lia Dumaresque Correa
- July 25: Guest Preacher Katie Vardy, guest musician Peter Halley
- August 1 Online Service only
- August 8 Communion Service
- August 15 Guest Musician Maggie Power
- August 15 BBQ & Bridges To Hope Food Drive
- September 5 Online Service only
(Joint Service with Cowan Heights United Church)

VACATION: Rev. Miriam will be on vacation from July 12 – August 1. During this time, Katie Vardy will be our guest preacher on July 18, July 25 & August 1. Rev. Oliver Dingwell will cover any pastoral emergencies. He can be reached at 709-640-4632 or odingwell@cowanheightsunited.ca.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery Flower Service: The Annual Flower Service for the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Board (Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, General Protestant Cemetery and Memorial Gardens) is being recorded this week and will be uploaded to the Wesley United Church YouTube Channel (<https://www.youtube.com/c/WesleyUnitedStJohns>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WesleyUnitedChurch>) on Monday, July 19.

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

All Request Summer Sundays are back!! What are your favourite hymns? Please email your hymn requests to the office: info@cochranestreetuc.com.

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy at hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

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! Don't forget to drop off your eligible tetra or gable containers and glass containers (including beer & wine bottles) for a refund. Thank you in advance for your help. For more information, check out this website: <https://www.greencan.ca/?page=start>

Bridges To Hope: We are getting ready for our Annual Bag to School Campaign. If you or someone you know could use a fully packed school bag for a child, please check out our website for more information on when to register: <https://www.bridgestohope.ca/bag-to-school-registration>

Registration is July 19–July 23 online at Bridgestohope.ca or by phone at 722-9225 from 9:30am–1:00 pm. Please have your MCP's for yourself and your children ready before registering. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 722-9225 or email bridgestohope2021@gmail.com.

BAG TO SCHOOL: Normally most of the school supplies are donated, but they will be purchased again this year. Bridges to Hope is confident that with the help of their Corporate Sponsors and our generosity – they can achieve this goal. Students will be given a top-quality school bag packed with school supplies to ensure they start the year off right. To make a donation to offer your support, please go to www.bridgestohope.ca.

UNITED CHURCH BOOKSTORE SIDE WALK SALE: The bookstore is having a side walk sale. Lots of great deals on books & gift ware! Come join us on Wednesday, August 11, from 11am–2pm. COVID protocols will be followed.

Summer Youth Positions – First Dawn Eastern Edge Regional Council Office:

We are pleased at the FDEE Regional Council Office in St. John's to be hiring 2 youth this summer to work in our Office, Bookstore and Archives. We were successful in receiving 2 Canada Summer Jobs grants from Service Canada both for 8-week duration. For more information please visit:

<https://ucceast.ca/62382-summer-youth-positions-first-dawn-eastern-edge-regional-council-office/>

TEA TO YOUR TABLE: This summer the Cathedral Tea Room team is offering a takeout tea to enjoy at home or on the go. Small Box \$15 serves up to 2; Large Box \$25 serves up to 4. Packages include everything you need: scones, tea biscuits, breads, and squares, jam, butter, knives, and napkins. Order deadline is July 28 and pick-up date is July 31. Place your order TODAY at 709-726-5677 or email office@ourcathedral.ca.

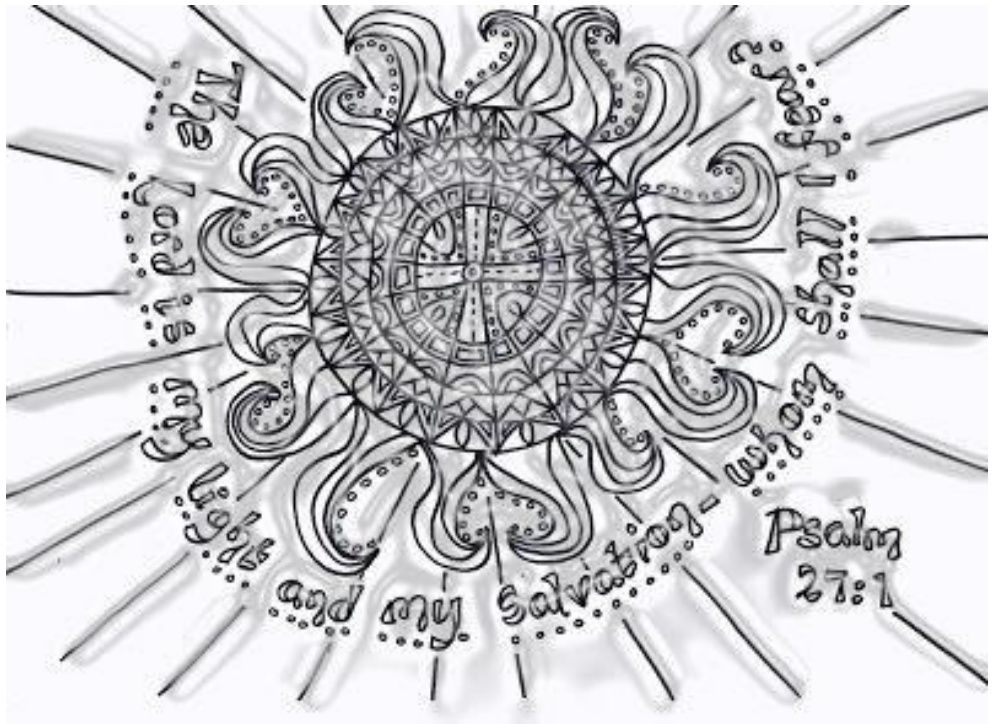
GOWER STREET IS HIRING: We are hiring for the position of Maintenance and Community Connections. This position is open to individuals who are in high school for an eight week, 20 hours per week position. Read the full job description here: <https://gowerunited.com/wp-content/uploads/Reference%20Docs/2021%20Maintenance%20and%20Community%20Connections.pdf?t=1624978431>. To apply, please send a copy of your resume to office@gowerunited.com.

TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH SEEKING MUSIC DIRECTOR: The successful applicant will be responsible for accompaniment of the congregation's regularly scheduled worship services - a single weekly Sunday worship service and other special services (such as Christmas and Easter). They will also musically and administratively direct the Mixed and Men's Choirs (September through June). Collaboration with our Youth Program and other church groups for special services and musical events will be required.

Because services are now live-streamed on a regular basis, abilities in technology and sound engineering would also be assets. We anticipate the position being 6 to 10 hours per week. The position will be vacant July 1, 2021. For more information, please contact our Church Office at 709-834-4567 or office@topsailunited.ca

TechKNOWtutors is a community-based digital literacy training program operated by the [Community Sector Council Newfoundland & Labrador](#). Our goal is to help people use the internet to improve their day-to-day lives. We offer **FREE** learning sessions to groups from many different backgrounds in instructor-led presentations and hands-on activities. As a result of current Public Health measures, we are now teaching all classes through Zoom. To learn more, email us at techknowtutors@cscnl.ca or view our courses at <https://techknowtutors.ca/upcoming-classes/>. Below is just a sampling of what we offer:

Monday, July 19	6:00–8:00pm	Online Job Searching
Tuesday, July 20	6:00–8:00pm	Pinterest 101
Wednesday, July 21	6:00–8:00pm	Digital Library Services
Thursday, July 22	6:00–8:00pm	Keeping Kids Safe Online



NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Newfoundland Girls in Training (NGIT) for girls aged 12-14, after 1949 known as Canadian Girls in Training, was reorganized at Cochrane Street on Nov 22, 1946. There were seven girls in attendance with the average attendance becoming 12. The group met on Friday evenings with Miss Dingwell as leader, Dorothy Fuller as President and Miss Legrow as Treasurer. The meetings involved recreation, devotion, and business.

