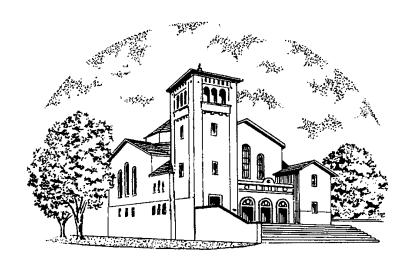
Cochrane Street United Church

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July 28th, 2019

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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 JULY 28

Robert Mercer, Peter Crosbie, Harris Flight, Brian Johnston,

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET JULY 29 – AUGUST 4

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

OFFICE

The Administrative Assistant is on vacation, returning August 13. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rev. Miriam. Her contact information is below.

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Cochrane Centre Contact information for bookings 709-754-2532 or 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: O Master, Let me Walk with Thee

O Master let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; Teach me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

*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:

Today and all days

embrace us in a love that knows no end.

Today and all days

fill us with a power that overcomes.

Today and all days

encourage us with a word that nourishes.

Today and all days

inspire us with a hope that sustains.

Today and all days

comfort us with a peace that endures.

Today and all days

bring wholeness of body, mind and spirit Today and all days.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Generous God, for all that sustains us; air to breathe, warmth and light, food to eat, water to drink, we offer our thanks and praise. For spiritual gifts that bind us together;

one people, one body empowered for service we offer our hands and voices. For the Good News of the Gospel; healing and wholeness freedom and justice we offer our hearts in service. Amen

*HYMN #232: Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God,

You gifted this world and made us stewards of it, gave us family from many lands and asked us to care for them, put your word upon our heart and asked that we share it.

But we have thought only of ourselves and the blessings of our lives.

Forgive our selfishness, enlarge our vision and enable us to be faithful bearers of hope, life and love to the world.

This we ask in the name of Jesus, our certain hope. 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: Count You Blessings

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

Chorus:

Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your blessings, see what God hath done; Count your blessings, name them one by one, Count Your many blessings see what God hath done. Are you ever burdened with a load of care?

Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?

Count your many blessings, ev'ry doubt will fly,

And you will be singing as the days go by.

When you look at others with their lands and gold, Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold, Count your many blessings, money cannot buy Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high.

So, amid the conflict, whether great or small, Do not be discouraged, God is over all; Count your many blessings, angels will attend, Help and comfort give you to your journey's end.

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

*OFFERTORY HYMN #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

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING Song of Solomon 2:8 - 13
The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Reader: Betty Barnes

RESPONSIVE PSALM 139 page 861

Reader: Faith Roberts-Pike

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 22:15 - 22
The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC: Katie Vardy

SERMON: Shhh ... not in polite company. Why can't we talk about

Sex, Politics & Money?

*HYMN #679: Let There Be Light

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 #675: Will Your Anchor Hold

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: All The Way My Saviour Leads Me #635 VU, Verse 1

All the way my Saviour leads me; what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell, for I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

POSTLUDE

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

NO SCENTS MAKES GOOD SENSE! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, July 28 – Beer and Hymns (3-6pm, 203 Logy Bay Road)

Saturday, August 17 - BBQ in the Park (2-4pm)

Sunday, September 15 - Joint Church Picnic Rotary Sunshine Park (Time TBA)

Dates for the Memorial Services:

Monday, August 5, at 7 PM Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 25 Beaumont Hamel Way *In the event of inclement weather, services will move to the next day, 7pm.*

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.

All Request Summer Sundays: It's that time of year again!! Tell us your favourite hymns and we will sing them all summer long!! You can email your request to info@cochranstreetuc.com or write them on the flip chart as you enter the sanctuary or call the office 722-3023!

Beer and Hymns: The July edition of Beer and Hymns is taking place **Sunday, July 28, from 3–6pm** at 203 Logy Bay Road (St. Mark's). There is something new. Our summer serving of 'Beer & Hymns' will feature fantastic southern inspired food created by Poko Loko Food Truck (aka <u>Soul Azteka</u>) and brilliant craft beer by <u>Mill Street Brewpub St. John's</u>. Join us for a scoff and stay for a song!

BAG TO SCHOOL: Bridges to Hope is once again reaching out to our faith-based community with a request for specific school supplies. We are hoping you can help us to help students get a good start in 2019. This year we are asking for donations of **Scientific Calculators by August 19**.

They can be delivered to Bridges to Hope from 9am-1:30pm Monday to Friday. If this is not convenient, CSUC's administrative assistant will gladly deliver them. Drop them off at the church main office Sunday or Tuesday to Thursday from 10am-3pm.

Annual BBQ in the Park: Our Annual Bbq in the park will take place on Saturday, August 17, from 2 - 4pm! Every year we serve 100+ people from various outreach agencies hot dogs and hamburgers in Bannerman Park. We count on your support. If you can volunteer, please contact Bill Evans billevans3237@gmail.com. If you can make a donation to help with the cost of supplies, please place an envelope in the offering plate clearly marked, BBQ in the Park. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Music Under the Dome - A Summer Lunchtime Concert Series

Cochrane Street United Church is hosting a series of lunch hour concerts from 12:15pm–1:00pm. Enjoy some great local music over your lunch break. There is a suggested minimum donation of \$10.

August 6th: Third Wheel — Evan Smith, Tiffany Pinhorn Smith and Tyler Massie

August 13th Michelle Eagles and Brad Jefford

August 20th: Katherine Moffatt accompanied by Evan Smith August 27th: Saltwater Strings — Dominic Green & Brett Vey

Volunteers: If you are willing to help out with set up and clean up for our summer concert series, please contact Rev. Miriam. Email: revmiriam@occhranestreetuc.com or 728-8410.

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy. Email: 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! Can't get your recyclables to the depot? Call the church office and we will arrange to pick them up. Thank you in advance for your help.

ZATOUN OLIVE OIL – The Church Council is again offering Zatoun Olive Oil for \$20 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 distributers for Zatoun as an Outreach Project and they have several United Churches as well as the Presbyterian Church participating in this project. If you wish to purchase this oil, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com.

Bridges to Hope is teaming up with the Clay Cafe to offer an **"Empty Bowls for Hunger" event**. It will be held at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church (<u>The Kirk</u>), 76 Queens Road, on **August 21** from **5:30–7:00pm**. Tickets \$20 include home-made soup served up in a hand painted bowl, home-made bread and a bottle of water. Drop by Clay Café in Mount Pearl, 961 Topsail Road, to paint and donate your bowl to this event.

Questions about this event? Feel free to contact Bridges to Hope Food Aid Center at 709-330-9642 or i.williams@bridgestohope.ca.

Burry Heights Day Dinner Theatre: Let the younger members of the Burry Heights community entertain you while you dine! Join us Saturday, **September 21**, 5PM. For tickets contact burryheightsday@gmail.com or (709) 754-8824. Stuffed Chicken breast with all the trimmings (\$20); chicken nuggets for kids (\$10).

Easter Seals House on Mt. Scio Road, has experienced damage over the weekend of July 5-7, 2019, caused by a plumbing malfunction in a number of important areas. Renovations and repairs are expected to take months. If you are able, the best way to help our flood recovery efforts is to donate directly online at www.eastersealsnl.ca/give/. Thank you for your generous support.