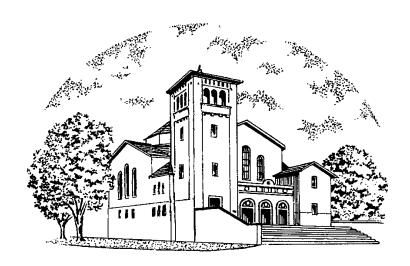
Cochrane Street United Church

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March 3rd, 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 MARCH

Jalna McMaster, Sig Lenser, Fraser Ellis, Jo-Ann Kelly, David Molyneux, Cecil Pelley

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET MARCH 04 – MARCH 10

Monday: 7:30 PM Council Meeting Stephen's Home

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance

Wednesday: 12:15 PM Prayer Group Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesdays 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Thursdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Fridays 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

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CONTACT REV. MIRIAM

Have a question or need to make an appointment? You can reach Rev. Miriam in the following ways: Email: revmiriam@cochranestreetuc.com or Cell: 709-728-8410

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE:

*INTROIT MV #12, vs. 3: Come Touch Our Hearts

Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason, set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream; help us to open doors of understanding, to welcome truth and wisdom, come touch and bless our minds.

*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 #85 Take, O Take Me as I Am

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

O God, you call us out of our ordinary lives;

to see your glory.

You call us to reach beyond the known

to hear the wonder of your word.

You call us to worship together

to touch your grace.

Come let us worship

worship the God of glory, wonder and grace.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

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.

*HYMN # 104: We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of Transfiguration,
you meet us in the ordinary
as well as the extraordinary moments of life.
We seek you in the valleys
and on the mountaintops.
Yet we admit
that too often our eyes are blind to your presence,
too often our ears are deaf to your call.
When you reach out to us
through the cries of the hungry and homeless,
too often our hearts shrink from your touch.
Forgive us, we pray

and set us free to love and serve you. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves. By God's mercy, we are forgiven; by God's mercy, we are made whole;

Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu Hallelujah Praise Ye the Lord! Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu Hallelujah Praise Ye the Lord! Praise Ye the Lord! Hallelujah Praise Ye the Lord! Hallelujah Praise Ye the Lord! Hallelujah Praise Ye the Lord

*HYMN MV #30: It's a Song of Praise to the Maker

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY & PRAYER

*OFFERTORY HYMN MV #182:

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Eternal God,

In the reading of scripture, may your Word be heard; In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 34: 29 - 35

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Reader: David Peters

RESPONSIVE PSALM 99 page 819

Reader: Rev. Heather Sandford

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:28 - 36

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Near to the Heart of God, arr. Janet Linker

SERMON:

*HYMN 102: Jesus on the Mountain Peak

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Invitation to Communion

In the name of the One who said,
"I am the bread of life,"
I invite you to come and eat.
In the name of the One who said,
"I am the true vine,"
I invite you to come and drink.
In the name of the One who said,
"Love one another as I have loved you,"
I invite you to the table of Jesus Christ.
This is the table of the risen Christ

In this feast gleams the promise of the earth and glory of all creation.

In this feast comes the Christ Saviour and Friend to all.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Before all that is, You were God. Outside all we know, You are God. After all finished, You will be God. Archangels sound the trumpets, Angels teach us their songs, Saints pull us into your presence.

And this is our song:
Holy, holy, holy God
our life, our mercy, our might.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Save us, we pray, you beyond all.
Blest is he who comes in your name.
Save us, we pray, you beyond all.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
You beyond the galaxies,
You under the oceans
You inside the leaves,
You pouring down rain,
You opening the flowers,
You feeding the insects,
You giving us your image,
You arcing us through the waters,
You holding us in the night,
Your smile on Sarah and Abraham,
Your hand with Moses and Miriam,
Your worlds through Deborah and Isaiah,

You giving us Jesus Who lived among us, Healing, teaching, dying, rising Inviting us all to the fest.

On the night Jesus was betrayed,
Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying,
"Take and eat; this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."
And again after supper he took the cup, gave thanks,
And gave it for all to drink, saying:
"This is the cup of the new covenant in my blood,
Shed for you and all people
For the forgiveness of sin.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on this meal.
Enliven this bread,
Awaken this body,
Pour us out for each other
Open our minds,
Ignite your church,
Nourish the life of the earth.
Make us, while many, one.
Make us, though broken, whole,
Makes us, despite death, alive.

This sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving we offer you, loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

We praise you now and forever.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory is yours, God most Holy.

Amen

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.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

The bread we break

Is our sharing in the life of Christ.

The cup for which we give thanks

Is our sharing in the life of Christ.

Prayer After Communion
We give thanks that bread broken brings wholeness;
that wine poured out replenishes;
that time spent with the Risen Christ
and one another is gift and grace.
Amen

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

*HYMN #213: Rejoice, the Lord is King

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 MV #220: Hope Shines as the Solitary Star Hope shines as the solitary star, Faith is the inner light. You and I together mirror the Light of Lights, and illumine the pathway home.

POSTLUDE

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Bill Knight from wife, June, & Family

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, March 5th - Pancake Supper (5:30 - 7:00pm) Sunday, March 10th - First Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 16th - Messy Church (4pm - 6pm)

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Sunday, March 24th – Irish Stew Luncheon & Annual

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Sunday, April 21st – Easter Sunday

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.

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 Warm Welcome to the KETO House Bakery that will be using the kitchen Sundays until 11:30am! Our Coffee Time will continue as always.

Last week's **Church Council Meeting** will be continued on **March 4**, **7:30pm**, at Stephen Jewczyk's home. If anyone has a matter they wish to bring to the attention of Council, please outline the matter in an email and forward to Stephen Jewczyk, Council Chair, at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

PRAYER GROUP meets weekly to pause, give thanks, breathe deeply, and pray for others. If you have a prayer request, you can put them in our offering plate or email prayers@cochranestreetuc.com.

Yoga: A six-week session is starting on **February 26** at **12:30pm**. If you'd like to register, please contact the office at info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023. The cost would be \$5.75.

COFFEE TIME HOSTS: We are looking for people to volunteer as hosts for Coffee Time after church. If you are willing to help host, please contact the office or put your name and phone number on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Don't know what to do? No problem. We can help you out by pairing you with someone who has done it before or just giving you an orientation. Your help is very much appreciated!

COFFEE TIME DONATIONS: If you can't volunteer to host a coffee time, maybe you can supply some <u>donations to be kept in the freezer</u> to help out our coffee time hosts. We are looking for donations of cookies, loaves or raisin bread. If you could attach your name to your donations, that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Observer Subscribers: Starting in May, the United Church Observer will be renamed Broadview. Better quality paper and binding, and an increase of 16 pages per issue! Only downside is the publication frequency drops to 10 issues per year as to the current 11 issues.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Please join us for a time of fellowship and friendship at our pancake supper **March 5**, **5:30 - 7:00pm**, at Cochrane Centre. We will be serving pancakes, sausages, apple sauce, tea and coffee. Cost is \$7.00 per adult; \$5.00 per child. Tickets available.

VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for additional volunteers for our **pancake supper** on Tuesday, March 5. You can sign up for the time that works best for you on the bulletin board on the way into coffee time, or you can contact the office at info@cochranestreetuc.com. Set up volunteers: 3:30-5: 00pm; Cooks: 4:30-7:00pm; Clean up: 5:30-7:30pm

COCHRANE UCW will have an eat-in <u>Irish Stew Luncheon</u> March 24, after church service. Cost is \$10 - includes rolls, dessert, and tea/coffee.

<u>COCHRANE STREET CHURCH AGM</u>: Mark your calendars! Our Annual Meeting will take place on **March 24 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.

CHURCH COUNCIL 2019: We have vacancies on Church Council, which is the governing body for the congregation. The church council meets monthly from September to June and as needed for the rest of the year. Important work is done on behalf of the congregation, there is engaging conversations, and fellowship. If interested in being part of the church council, please email Rev. Miriam, revmiriam@cochrane streetuc.com.

<u>Astrid's Graduation Recital</u>: Our choral Scholar Astrid Correa will take place on Saturday April 20th at 8:00 pm in D. F. COOK Hall at School of Music in Memorial University. She will be playing works by Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Ravel, Morel and Moncada.

Yu Hang Tan Graduation Recital: The choral conducting graduation recital will take place March 12, 7:30 pm, at D.F. Cook Recital Hall. Everyone is invited and admission is free. From Yu Hang, "I have had quite some detours in my musical journey (studying business instead of music for my undergraduate). I wouldn't be doing what I'm doing today if it weren't for the amazing and supportive people I met in my journey of learning choral conducting. That's why I'm ending my recital with a Malaysian piece called "Rasa Sayang" (literally translates to feeling loved in Malay) and naming the recital as "Rasa Sayang | Love is..." because I feel loved and blessed. Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir and Suara Chamber Choir, a choir of 23 singers that I founded last September, will be singing in my recital. We'll be performing a few Malaysian folksongs. It's going to be quite different from the choral music we usually hear in Atlantic Canada."

KAIROS CANADA: The United Church of Canada is a member of KAIROS, so we are reaching out to all of you to help us promote this important justice gathering in the Atlantic. ALL are invited to join May 2-5, 2019, in <u>Streams of Justice</u>, a diverse, inter-generational gathering at Mount Allison University in Sackville, NB, on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. For more information and registration, please consult the webpage: www.kairoscanada.org/atlanticgathering. Come together to build upon the Atlantic Canada KAIROS community, and continue to develop a flourishing movement towards positive social change.

Out In Faith: On **March 7, 7-9pm**, a panel discussion will be held at Memorial University's Arts Building Atrium, AA 1043, exploring queer spiritualities and the diverse ways that queer people find, create, and maintain community inside as well as outside faith. Included is performance by Spectrum Queer Choir. Parking available in Lot 1A.

Great Big Book Sale: Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW St. John's) is now collecting gently used books, **beginning**March 2. Please drop off at the site of the former TD Bank in Woodgate Plaza, 58 Kenmount Road, between Toys R Us and Quizno's Sub. Hours: 11 am – 3 pm Monday to Saturday, 1 pm – 3 pm Sunday. We will be accepting all types of books, in good condition, except Readers Digest condensed books, encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines, and outdated technology manuals. We also no longer accept VHS tapes. Our 2019 sale is scheduled for May 6-8 and will be held at the REMax Centre (St. John's Curling Club), 135 Mayor Avenue, St. John's.

Lenten Communion Gathering: Beginning March 06 at NOON, Rev. Pamela will host a Communion Service with intentional periods of quiet reflection. It will continue every Wednesday during Lent in the Tait-Osmond Room. This informal service will be 20 minutes followed by a time of fellow-ship. Tea and coffee will be provided. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch.

VOWR Presents Dinner and A Show: VOWR Radio presents Spirit of Newfoundland's Dinner Theatre "<u>Stand By Your Nan</u>" on **Thursday, March 28**th, at the Masonic Temple, Cathedral Street. Doors open 6:30pm, Dinner starts 7pm, Show starts 8pm. Tickets are \$85.00 per person with a tax receipt for \$35, call VOWR at 579-9233, Wesley United Church at 579-3682 or Marvin Barnes at 579-7900. Reserve your tickets early so as to avoid being disappointed, they always sell out fast!

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

In 1952, repairs had to be made to the Sunday School organ. Walter I. Vey, "organ builder and piano tuner, representing Casavant Frères, organ builder of St. Hyactinthe, Que", made repairs to the bellows, pedal action, knee swells, stops and reeds. The cost was \$15.00. (I do not know the builder of the Sunday School organ.)