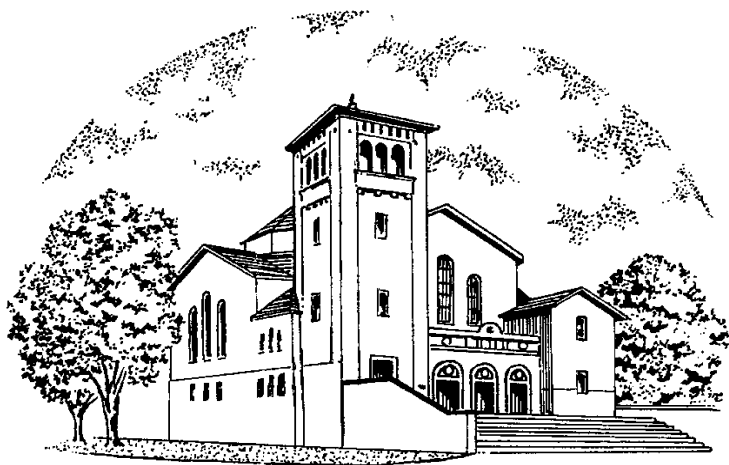


# Cochrane Street United Church

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## March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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# Welcome to Cochrane Street United Church

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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.

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## USHERING TEAM FOR MARCH

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

## THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET MARCH 11 – MARCH 17

Tuesday: 12:30 PM YOGA  
Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance  
Wednesday: 12:15 PM Prayer Group  
Saturday 4:00 PM Messy Church  
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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709-754-2532 or [info@cochranecentre.ca](mailto: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 HYMN #506 vs. 1: Take My Life and Let It Be**

Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, all for thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

## **\*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:**

God invites us to journey in the way of faithfulness,  
**to walk the Lenten road with Christ.**

We journey with confidence, for Christ is with us.

**Thanks be to God, for God's steadfast love.**

### **\*PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

Good Shepherd,  
guide us when the way is uncertain  
and the path overgrown, back onto higher ground  
from where we might see,  
behind us, the place from which  
you have patiently brought us,  
and ahead of us once more glimpse your footsteps  
leading forward, into which we will try and place our own.  
Amen.

### **\*HYMN # 108: Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

Holy God,  
Forgive those things we have done

which have caused you sadness,  
and those things we should have done  
that would have brought you joy.  
In both we have failed ourselves, and you.  
Bring us back to that place  
where our journey began,  
when we said that we would follow  
the way that you first trod.  
Lead us to the Cross and meet us there. 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**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**\*HYMN #115: Jesus, Tempted in the Desert**

**OFFERING INVITATION**

**OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY & PRAYER**

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN MV #116, vs. 1: Giver of the Perfect Gift**  
Giver of the perfect gift, only hope of human race,  
hear the prayer our hearts uplift, gathered at thy throne of grace.

**GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:**

Holy God,  
reveal your presence to us this day.  
Send your Spirit upon us  
that we might listen, discern, and take heart.  
Be near us this day  
and may your Word with us stay  
and dwell with us forevermore. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Deuteronomy 26:1 - 11**

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

Reader: Betty Barnes

**RESPONSIVE PSALM 91, page 807**

Reader: Charlotte Jewczyk

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Luke 4:1 - 13**

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

**ANTHEM: Shepherd Me, O God**, *by Mark Hayes*

**Faith Story:** Justin Tobin, Jewish Community Havura

**\*HYMN: Ose Shalom**

## **GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 120: O Jesus, I Have Promised**

### **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 # 961**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

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| <b>Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>– First Sunday in Lent</b>  |
| <b>Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>– Messy Church (4pm – 6pm)</b>                                    |
| <b>Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>– Irish Stew Luncheon &amp; Annual<br/>Congregational Meeting</b> |
| <b>Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup></b>   | <b>– Easter Sunday</b>   |

**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.

Lent is a time to explore our faith. During the season of Lent, we will have guests from a variety of religious communities share their faith stories.

- March 10<sup>th</sup> – Justin Tobin (Jewish Community Havura)
- March 17<sup>th</sup> – Dani Fry (St. James United Church)
- March 24<sup>th</sup> – Liz Ohle (Quaker Community)
- March 31<sup>st</sup> – Brenda Rishia (Jewish Community Havura)
- April 7<sup>th</sup> – Derek Osmond (St. Thomas' Anglican Church)
- April 14<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

Rev. Miriam is the guest preacher at St. Mark's Anglican Church on Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30.

***THANK YOU!*** A big thank you to everyone who made our Pancake Supper such a great success! We could not have done this without such dedicated volunteer work!

**PRAYER GROUP** meets weekly at 12:15pm to pause, give thanks, breathe deeply, and pray for others. If you have a prayer request, you can write on the flip chart Sunday, put them in our offering plate, or email [prayers@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:prayers@cochranestreetuc.com).

**CSUC Men's Service Club:** The next regular meeting will be held at Cochrane Centre (via Bannerman Street entrance) on Tuesday, **March 19**, at **6.30pm**. All meetings are dinner club meetings and all men are welcome to attend and enjoy an evening of good food, great fellowship, and fun. See you there and God Bless. For further information, please contact the church office at 722-3023. *Gerry Penney, Chairperson*

**Congregational Information Session:** Rev. Faith March-MacCuish and Allison Piercey will be meeting with the congregation after church **March 17** to talk about the responsibilities involved with hosting the 2020 Annual Regional Conference. A decision will be made at the congregational meeting on March 24.

**Exam Survival Kits:** Every year we put together exam survival kits for our university students. This year we are going to fill 12 bags and we need your help. We fill these bags with a variety of items. Use your imagination. Here are some suggestions - chips, popcorn, candy, chocolate, tea, stress balls, gum, and bubbles. Please drop off the items at the office or bring them to church on Sunday. Thanks for your support.

**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 (722-3023) 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 donations to be kept in the freezer 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.

**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@cochranechurch.com](mailto:revmiriam@cochranechurch.com).

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

**COCHRANE STREET CHURCH AGM:** 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.

**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.

**Astrid's Graduation Recital:** Our choral Scholar Astrid Correa will take place Saturday, **April 20**, 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.

**UNITED CHURCH CAMPS:** You are invited to the Annual General Meeting of Burry Heights Camp and Retreat Centre on **March 23, 10AM**, at The Burry Heights Camp Site. Take the Exit 35 off the Trans-Canada Highway, Route 90 South, then 1 km on Salmonier Line. For further information, please call 229-7883 or burryheights@hotmail.com.

**GCB Downtown "Pops" Concert:** The **Gower Community Band** will be having another in its new **"Downtown 'POPS' Concerts"** at Gower Street United Church on Sunday, **March 10**, at 3:00 p.m.! The second concert in this GCB initiative will be a Springtime show, and will be fun for all ages. It will include a performance by **Members of the Anchormen Barbershop Chorus** and **Master of Ceremonies Karl Wells**, and will be sure to entertain! There are prizes to be won! **FREE** tickets available at the door!

**Art Hive** is providing off loom weaving Sundays from 12:30pm – 2:00pm in Cochrane Centre's small meeting room. All materials available and at no cost. For further information, email [hearthstonestudios@gmail.com](mailto:hearthstonestudios@gmail.com).

**ST.JAMES UCW SPRING SALE & AFTERNOON TEA** will be held Saturday, April 13, from 2-4 pm in its Auditorium. Tickets \$7:00 available from any UCW member and also available at the door. Thank you for your continued support! Barbara Butt can be reached at 576-1344 or [barbarann2012@gmail.com](mailto:barbarann2012@gmail.com) if you need any more information.

**Great Big Book Sale May 6 – 8:** Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) St. John's is collecting gently used books at the REMax Centre (St. John's Curling Club) on 135 Mayor Avenue. 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: 11am - 3pm Monday to Saturday, 1pm - 3pm Sunday. We will be accepting all types of books, in good condition, except VHS tapes, Readers Digest condensed books, encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines, and outdated technology manuals. Thanks for your support. **Donations accepted up to March 30.**

**Gower Street Church 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 "Stand By Your Nan" on **March 28** at the Masonic Temple, Cathedral Street. Doors open 6:30pm, Dinner starts 7pm, Show starts 8pm. Tickets \$85 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.

## NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

You may be interested in some historical information about the various women's groups in our congregation. Here are the ones that were / are part of our congregation, and for which we have records in varying amounts: Women's Association, Women's Missionary Society, Wednesday Fellowship Club, United Church Women, and Time Out for Women. For the next few weeks I will share stories about these groups.