Cochrane Street United Church

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Honour Roll

I World War: 1914—1918

George Abbott
Stanley Abbott
Frank Chown
James L. Day
Arthur Driscoll
Ronald Grimes
Arthur Herder
Hubert Herder
Robert King
George Knight
Walter LeGrow
Herbert Luscombe
Alexander Martin

Simeon Morris
Walter Morris
Wilfred Raynes
Carl Reid
E. Clayton Rowsell
John S. Snelgrove
Douglas Snow
E. Frederick Taylor
George Taylor
Richard Taylor
Donald Templeman
Gordon Tizzard
Frank P. Tuff
James Tuff

II World War: 1939—1945

Arthur Brown
Herbert Clarke
Cyril Crummey
Arthur E. Earle
George Elliott
Raymond House
Patrick Joyce
Herbert Lane

Charles Newell
William T. Newell
Warrick Noseworthy
Samuel Penney
Claude M. Percy
Henry Rideout
Richard Squires
Phillip Templeman

Korean War Douglas Newell

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

LAND ACKNOWLEGEMENT

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:

The Ode to Newfoundland

When sun rays crown thy pine clad hills, And summer spreads her hand, When silvern voices tune thy rills, We love thee, smiling land. We love thee, we love thee,

We love thee, we love thee, We love thee, smiling land.

As loved our fathers, so we love,
Where once they stood, we stand;
Their prayer we raise to Heaven above,
God guard thee, Newfoundland
God guard thee, God guard thee,
God guard thee, Newfoundland.

INTROIT MV #28: God of the Bible vs. 5

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 MV #96: And When You Call for Me

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We gather to remember:

not so we dwell on the past

We remember

so that we can create a peaceful future.

We gather to remember:

not in order to glorify war

We remember

to acknowledge the cost of war and follow in Jesus' way of peace.

We gather to remember:

Not to wind our theology up with patriotic duty

We remember

to remind ourselves of the peaceful call of Christ

We gather to remember

in the arms of God

whose love stretches across the depth, breadth and height of human memory.

Lest we forget.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

O God, at this annual time of remembrance, our thoughts turn to the violence, fear and pain of war.

Come gently in our worship this morning

that we may know your peace—
not the peace of violence ignored and fear repressed,
but the true peace of evil confronted,

injustice exposed,

and reconciliation achieved.

We pray in the name of the Prince of Peace. Amen

HYMN VU 684: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

- Make me a channel of your peace:
 where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
 where there is injury, your healing power,
 and where there's doubt, true faith in you:
- Make me a channel of your peace:
 where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
 where there is darkness, only light;
 and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Refrain: O Spirit, grant that I may never seek

so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God, whose will is love and whose desire is peace, be near us as we remember and pray.

The scarlet colour of the poppy reminds us of the blood that is shed in war, of the white crosses which remain on distant battlefields.

O God, turn us away from the ways of war and violence.

The delicate petals of the poppy speak to us of the beauty and of the fragility of peace.

O God, lead us in new pathways of justice and love.

May the seeds of peace take root in us and blossom in a world where flowers may grow unharmed, and poppies of remembrance and gratitude flourish. In the name of your Son, we pray it. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Hear the vision of the prophets: "and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore." Trust the God who longs for peace. We are forgiven, strengthened, empowered to be peacemakers in our world.

Thanks be to God. Amen

LEARNING TOGETHER: ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Reading of the Honour Roll – Stephen Jewczyk

They shall not grow old as we that are left grown old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them.

Congregational Response: We will remember them.

Last Post – Trumpeter: Anna James

Time of Silence

Reveille/Rouse - Trumpeter: Anna James

Commitment to Remember – Stephen Jewczyk

They were young, as we are young. They served, giving freely of themselves. To them, we pledge, amid the winds of time, To carry their torch and never forget. We will remember them.

Congregational Response: We will remember them.

Laying of the Wreaths

WWI

WWII

Korean War

HYMN VU 526: Weep for the Dead

- Weep for the dead. Let tears and silence tell of blood and battle, horror and renown. The years diminish, but do not dispel the pain of lives destroyed, and life laid down.
- 4 Summoned by love that leaves no room for pride, we pray that every continent and isle, wounded by war, war's hate may lay aside, and find a way to heal and reconcile.
- Weep for the dead, from all the ills of earth.
 Stand by the cross that bids all hatred cease.
 March to the drums of dignity and worth.
 Salute the King of Love, the Prince of Peace.

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

There are many ways you can offer your financial gifts. As you enter the sanctuary, you may lay your offeing 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-Authourized Remittance) or use the donate button on our website.

OFFERTORY HYMN VU #544: In Gratitude and Humble Trust
OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy Spirit,

Open our hearts to the story of your love.

Open our minds to new ways of knowing you.

Open our doors to whom all you would welcome. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 29:4 - 14

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSIVE PSALM 137

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat down and there we wept when we remembered Zion.

On the willows there we hung up our harps.

For there our captors asked us for songs, and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

How could we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land?

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!

Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 32:1 -2, 6 - 15

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: It Is Well with My Soul

SERMON:

Reflective Music

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN VU 586: We Shall Go Out With Hope of Resurrection

We shall go out with hope of resurrection:

we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;

we shall go out and tell our stories boldly; tales of a love that will not let us go.

We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted; we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed:

we'll weave a cloth of all the world united within the vision of new life in Christ.

We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken; we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed; we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer, expressive love alive in every heart.
We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping, raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief, we'll leap and dance the resurrection story, including all in circles of our love.

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

SUNG BENEDICTION MV #214: May God's Sheltering Wings

POSTLUDE

***O CANADA**

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free! From far and wide

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

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