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 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.

INTROIT:

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, 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.

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 381: Spirit of Life

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to 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 679: Let There Be Light (vs. 1–6)

Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face:

Open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;

Perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain; Hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be your name;

Your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language, your people speak together, your spirit never fade;

Let there be light; open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

LEARNING TOGETHER:

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

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Reading of the Honour Roll - Charlie Pope

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 – Trumpet: Elliott Morrison

Time of Silence

Reveille/Rouse: Elliott Morrison

Commitment to Remember - Charlie Pope

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 vs. 1, 2 & 5

- 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.
- 2 Silent the dead. Remembering we stand silent as they, for words cannot esteem causes of war, the love of native land, all that they were, and all they might have been.
- 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 MV 182 Grateful (chorus)

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.

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

Micah 4:1 - 4

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

Reader: Heather McMaster

SOLO: Evan Smith

SERMON:

SACRARMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

In Christ, God breaks down the walls that make us strangers to ourselves, and divide us from one another.

We are the body of Christ.

At this table we bear witness to our faith.

At this table, God brings wholeness out of brokenness, and healing to our world.

Let us break bread together.

COMMUNION HYMN MV # 202: Bread for the Journey

Bread for the journey, food for the way Cup of God's blessing, tomorrow, today

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things.

You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us.

You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give you thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy God, power of life and love! Heaven and earth are full of your glory! Hosanna through the ages! Blest is the One who comes to bring your justice to earth!

Loving God, Holy One, Holy Three we offer you praise and thanksgiving over this bread and cup, because in Jesus Christ, your only Son, you have joined yourself forever to us, uniting heaven and earth.

Now, therefore, we gratefully remember: Jesus' birth into our humanity,

baptism for our sin, compassion for our suffering, intimacy with our frailty, rebuke of our pride, bearing of the cross with its death, and rising from the tomb by the power of God.

On the night he was betrayed our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and after giving thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. And said, Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and after giving thanks, gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, O God, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body, one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever. 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 Filling the Cup

The bread we break

is our sharing in the life of Christ.

The cup for which we give thanks

is our communion in the blood 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 VU 684: Make Me a Chanell 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.

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 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 VU 961: Let us, O God, Depart in Peace Let us, O God, depart in peace, who in your name are gathered here. Disclose the brightness of your face, and be forever near

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.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God save the Queen.

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 7: Remembrance Sunday with Communion

November 14: Service of Light (7PM)

November 25: Christmas Decorating (10AM)

November 28: First Sunday of Advent

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

No Scents Makes Good Sense! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

2022 CHURCH CALENDARS will soon be available at a cost of \$6.00. If anyone is interested, please contact the Church Office (722-3023, info@cochranestreetuc.com) to place an order.

SUNDAY MORNING READERS: Are you interested in reading scripture in church on Sunday morning? If so please let us know! If you are, call or email the office at 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com.

MEMORIALS

In Honour of My Aunt, Mina M.L. Bradbury, from Arch Bradbury

In Loving memory of David and Dorothy Peters, from David Peters

In Loving Memory of Ivy Rowe, from Walter Hodder

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

In 1993 the congregation approved a renovation plan costing \$182,800 and obtained a loan of this amount from the Bank of Nova Scotia. Here are the items covered in this plan: roofs over the gym and pulpit (\$23,800), organ blower replacement (\$15,000), timer valves and zones for heating system (\$7,000), front steps and doors (\$27,000), stained glass window restoration (\$15,000), drywall in nursery (\$5,000), all the windows (66) in gym section of the building (\$66,000), exterior painting (\$15,000), repayment of a previous loan (\$9,000).