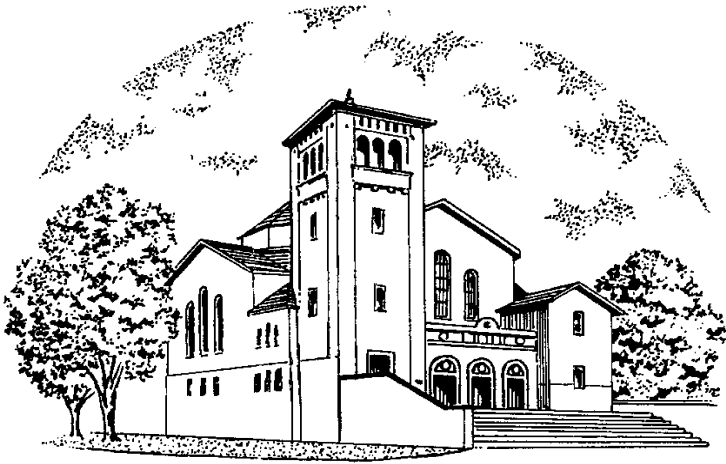


Cochrane Street United Church

81 Cochrane Street ♦ St. John's, NL ♦ A1C 3L7



October 27, 2019

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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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 OCTOBER

Roger Crosbie, Jim Austin, Lloyd Brown,
Jeff Critch, Jim Oakley, John Perlin

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET OCTOBER 28 – NOVEMBER 03

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance
Tuesday: 12:30 PM YOGA
Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Wednesdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thursdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

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Website: www.cochranestreetuc.com

Cochrane Centre Contact information for bookings
709-754-2532 or info@cochranecentre.ca

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES AND FUNERALS

While Rev. Miriam is on sabbatical, Rev. Bruce Kearley will be covering all pastoral emergencies and funerals.

You can reach him at (709) 739-9025

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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

Worship Leader: Frances McNiven & Stephen Jewczyk

PRELUDE:

*INTROIT: **God of the Bible (Fresh as the Morning) #28MV**

God of the Bible, God of the Gospel,
hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come,
you are our centre, daylight or darkness,
freedom or prison, you are our home.
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,
God always faithful, you do not change.
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,
God always faithful, you do not change.

*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: **God of Still Waiting #20MV**

God of still waiting, God of deep longing,
God of the heart's true rest:
hold us in fathomless peace,
guard us with un-waning love.

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

God has given us this beautiful earth,
all that grows, all that lives upon it.

Thanks be to God.

God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing.

Thanks be to God.

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Sculpting God,

**you give galaxies their form, shape granite mountains,
and design butterfly wings.**

Dancing God,

you choreograph the paths of stars

and the flight of snow geese.

Singing God,

your divine song is sung by sparrows, mountain streams,
and the rushing winds.

Wonderful God,

we rejoice to be a part of the divine world
which you love and sustain. Amen.

***HYMN: PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE GOD OF HEAVEN #240VU**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of all creation,

you love us into being,

yet we often flee our rightful place in your creation.

We confess that we exploit the gifts you place around us,
and dominate the richness of the natural order.

Forgive our greedy grasping.

We confess our part in the devastation of our planet home,
mirrored in the violence of cities,
and the brokenness of hearts.

Forgive and restore us, O God.

Nurturing God, remind us of other ways to live
and of a place called home,

where creation reflects your goodness

and each thing lives in balance with all others.

Come and find us, set us right again,

and take us home.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

No matter where we are, God is there.

No matter what we have done or have not done, God forgives.

No matter what, God will always love us.

God is full of unconditional and unending love.

We are a forgiven and loved people.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME

***HYMN: I SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD #231VU**

OFFERING INVITATION & OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

***OFFERTORY HYMN Grateful #182MV**

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:**

Gracious God,
Accept all that we offer to you today.
Bless our gifts of time and talent,
as well as our gifts of money.
May they all be used for the building up of your Kingdom.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

O Holy Spirit, Breath of God,
As we hear the scriptures this day,
fill us with the freshness of your living love.
May your word renew us,
so that we might go from this place,
ready to be your people in the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: JAMES 4:11-12

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Reader: Meaghan Wilson

RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 65 (pg. 782VU)

Reader: Charlie Pope, Sr.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 7:1-5

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Write Your Blessed Name

SERMON: Smart Fish

Frances McNiven

***HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ART (vs. 1, 2, 4) #238VU**

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: GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH #651VU**

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: You Shall Go Out With Joy

#884VU

POSTLUDE

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Jane Howell, From

*Angus & Ruth Barrett
Ross & Gert Daniels
Jim & Betty Howell
Anthony & Patricia Kean
Leonard & Tammy Ludee
Harold & Madge Squires
Bruce & Ruth Tilley*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER – DECEMBER MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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| OCT 27 – Frances McNiven (reflection);
Stephen Jewczyk (leading service) | DEC 1 – Rev. Scott Parsons (Communion) |
| NOV 03 – Rev. Scott Parsons (<i>Communion</i>) | DEC 8 – Rev. Heather Sandford
(White Gift Service) |
| NOV 10 – Rev. Desmond Jagger-Parsons
(<i>Remembrance Sunday</i>) | DEC 15 – Oliver Dingwell |
| NOV 17 – Betty Barnes | DEC 22 – Oliver Dingwell (Lessons & Carols) |
| NOV 24 – Paula & Tim Reynolds
(<i>Memorial Candle Night Service</i>)
(<i>no morning worship service due to
Santa Claus Parade</i>) | DEC 24 – Oliver Dingwell (7PM Service) |
| | DEC 24 – Oliver Dingwell, Rev. Karen Thorne
9PM Communion Service |
| | DEC 29 – Paula & Tim Reynolds
Xmas Fables & Hymns |

Announcements: If you wish to have an announcement included in the bulletin, 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 create a safe environment in which we can all fully participate.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, October 29 – Yoga Flow, Cochrane Street UC, 12:30pm

Sunday, November 10 – Fundraising Concert, Cochrane Street UC

THANK YOU The Worship & Pastoral Care Committee thanks the Bridge Club for their donation of \$800 towards the Choral Scholarship Program of the church.

THANK YOU Council thanks the Men's Service Club and United Church Women for their combined financial contribution of \$2,000 towards the operation and administration of the church. Your previous and continued support and service to the congregation is greatly appreciated and enhances the congregational life of Cochrane Street.

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 3, 2019: When local daylight time is about to reach Sunday, November 3, 2:00:00 am, clocks are turned backward 1 hour to Sunday, November 3, 1:00:00 am local standard time. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier than the day before. There will be more light in the morning.

2020 CHURCH CALENDARS are now available, at a cost of \$6.00; for orders please contact Ruth Lenser (753-4628) or the Church Office.

Volunteers Required – November 10 Fundraising Concert: Council is seeking volunteers for this concert to act as fire marshals, receive money at the door and sell bottled water. Volunteers would have to arrive at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office (info@cochranestreetuc.com, 722-3023) or Stephen Jewczyk, Congregation Chair, (sjewczyk@gmail.com, 753-6265).

COFFEE TIME HOSTS: We urgently require volunteers to serve coffee after Church, in order to give a break to the few people who have done it for a long time. There is a list by the entrance to the community hall where you can enter your name for a specific Sunday. 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.

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.

ENVELOPES: Do you need envelopes? If so, please contact Harold Grandy. Email: hgrandy@nf.sympatico.ca.

Sunday School Suspended Until Further Notice: At the current time, there are no adult volunteers for Sunday School during worship service. One member of the congregation has volunteered to date but we require several more adult volunteers to make this workable and enjoyable for all. As a result, Sunday School is being suspended until there are adults available to assist. The Council has gratefully received two responses to volunteer from our youth in the congregation, but we require an adult to be present with the youth teachers during Sunday School. If you are interested, please contact the Church Office at info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023 or Stephen Jewczyk, Congregation Chair, sjewczyk@gmail.com.

In closing, the Council is working diligently to address this situation but requires the assistance of the congregation.

FALL YOUTH GATHERING November 8 – 10: Join us for a weekend of community, fun and self-care practices at Burry Heights Camp & Retreat Centre, The Coughlan Building, Salmonier Line. More information about guest speaker and registration to come. For expressions of interest or questions, contact Rebecca Pike via email: Rebecca.pike@nl.rogers.com.

BRIDGES TO HOPE is currently looking for a volunteer for the food pantry, preferably someone who can come in for other volunteers when they can not make their shift. For more information contact Jody at 330-9642.

St. James annual and most popular UCW Fall Sale is on Saturday, November 2 this year, 9:45am - noon. \$7 tickets can be purchased from any St. James' UCW member, or at the door.

Wesley Flipper Dinner Take Outs: Wesley United Church will hold a Flipper Dinner Takeout on Thursday, November 14. Dinners will include dessert. Tickets are \$25 and dinners must be picked up between 5:30pm and 7:00pm on November 14. To order tickets, call Marvin (579-7900), Pheobe (726-1689) or the church office at 579-3682.

St. Patrick's Mercy Home Foundation is having its **19th Annual Dinner Theatre in support of the residents at St. Patrick's Mercy Home**. Join us with your family, visitors and friends on Thursday, November 7 at the Masonic Temple, 6 Cathedral Street for Spirit of Newfoundland's "The Carpenters – It's Yesterday Once More". Tickets \$75 (tax-in). Call 752-8745 for tickets or information.

Applications Being Accepted for Wesley Church Apartments: Wesley United Church is now accepting applications for the Seniors Affordable Apartments. Application form packages are available at Metro Property Management (Erin O'Reilly at 237-5804 or erin@metropropertymanagement.ca or at 1 Centennial St, Suite 107 Mount Pearl NL A1N 0C9) and at Wesley United Church Office (579-3682). Applications must be filled out in their entirety to be considered for the random draw for successful tenants. All applications must be submitted to Metro Property Management by November 30 to be considered.