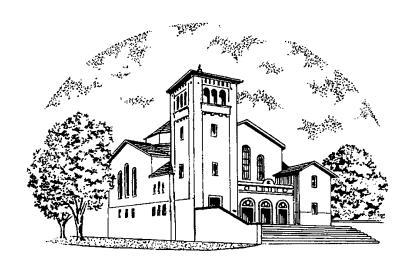
Cochrane Street United Church

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September 1st, 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 SEPTEMBER

Ian McMaster, Blair Bradbury, Gerry Penney, Bill Squires

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET SEPTEMBER 02 – SEPTEMBER 8

Wednesday: 7:30 PM CSUC Council Mtg

Sunday: 11:00 AM Worship at Cochrane Street United Church

OFFICE

Office Hours: Tuesday 10:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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

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: O Master, Let me Walk with Thee

O Master let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; Teach me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

*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 # 18 Lord Prepare Me

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the faith.

We come to celebrate God's presence, and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,

and the life we are called to live.

We come as a pilgrim people searching for ways to live out our faith.

We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

Let us rejoice in God's gift to us!

*PRAYER OF APPROACH:

O God, as a gentle rain soaks the earth,
may your peace and love fall upon us,
bringing growth and life.
Soak into our innermost being.
Quiet all that makes us anxious.
Help us to linger in your presence,
and send us out refreshed, to carry your peace to others. Amen.

*HYMN # 296: This Is God's Wondrous World

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

You have called us by name, Lord, and made us your family.
Yet we do not always live as one body in Christ—
we neglect to care for your creation; we forget that our neighbor is also our sister, our brother. Forgive us, we pray.
Loosen the chains we place on our lives—
chains of burden and busyness, chains of ignorance and stress.

we place on our lives—
chains of burden and busyness,
chains of ignorance and stress.
Free us to care for your family,
that we all might dance, sing,
and praise your glorious name! 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 # 401: Worship the Lord

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

*OFFERTORY HYMN #542: We Give You But Your Own
We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:12 - 27

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

Reader: Heather McMaster

SUNG PSALM 46 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" Page 262

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:18 – 25, Matthew 28:16 - 20
The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC: Maggie Power - Holy, Holy, Holy, arr. Jenifer Cook

SERMON:

*HYMN 563: Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

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 332: The Church's One Foundation

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: All The Way My Saviour Leads Me #635 VU, Verse 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO SCENTS MAKES GOOD SENSE! A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products. Thank you for helping.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday, September 4 - Church Council Meeting (7:30 pm)

Sunday, September 15 – Joint Church Picnic Rotary Sunshine Park

(2:00-6:00pm)

Sunday, September 22 - Congregation Information Session (Immediately

After Worship Service in the Sanctuary)

Sunday, September 29 - Congregational Pot Luck Lunch

(After Worship Service)

Announcements: If you wish to have an announcement included in the bulletin, please have it into the office by Wednesday at 5:00 pm.

Sunday, September 8 will be our Rev. Miriam's last service before she goes on sabbatical leave.

<u>Church Council Meeting</u> is **September 4**, **7:30pm**, in the Community Hall. If anyone has a matter they wish to bring to the attention of Council, please contact Stephen Jewczyk Council Chair at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

CHOIR REHEARSAL resumes on Tuesday, September 10, at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. New members are welcome! We meet every Tuesday as well as Sundays at 10am in the Sanctuary. Looking forward to another fabulous year!

Looking For Sunday School Volunteers: Council is inviting congregation members to volunteer as Sunday School Coordinator and as teachers. If you are interested in volunteering for either of these positions, please contact the Church Office at info@cochranestreetuc.com or 722-3023 or Stephen Jewczyk, Congregation Chair, at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

<u>UNITED COMMUNITIES OF FAITH PICNIC</u>: Sunshine Camp on Thorburn Road has been booked for September 15 from 2:00-6:00pm. Further information will be forthcoming as it becomes available from the joint picnic coordination team.

Congregation Information Session – Sunday September 22: Council will be holding a Congregation Information Session to provide an overview of the plans in place while Rev. Miriam Bowlby is on leave from the church. The session will also update the congregation on the financial situation of the congregation.

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

Yoga Flow Registration now open! To register for the Tuesday 12:30pm Yoga Flow, please click here: https://sites.google.com/site/karmafitnessyoga/yoga-flow-registration-cochrane-st-church. It's for 6 weeks from September 17 to October 22 at Cochrane Street Church, 81 Cochrane Street. Cost is \$39.50 (includes HST & \$5 Cochrane Centre Facility Fee).

YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL is inviting volunteers from the congregation to be part of the Local Arrangement Committee for the 2020 Regional Conference which is being hosted by Cochrane Street United Church. The Regional Conference is being held May 29-31, 2020. Over the coming months leading up to the conference, the Local Arrangement Committee will be working with the Regional Council planning committee for this event. First joint meeting is scheduled for September. If you are interested in volunteering for this committee, please contact the church office at 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com or Stephen Jewczyk, Congregation Chair, at sjewczyk@gmail.com.

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.

Stuff the New Shelves for Bridges to Hope! We are going to fill our shelving, generously donated to Cochrane Street United Church, full of the most helpful items: tinnned milk, canned beans, canned meat, juice boxes or one liter of juice, cereal, Kraft Dinner, pasta, and pasta sauce. Bring your items to church on Sunday. Thank you for your support.

ART HIVE is providing off loom weaving Sundays from 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm in Cochrane Centre's small meeting room. All materials available and at no cost. For further information, email hearthstonestudios@gmail.com.

Burry Heights Day Dinner Theatre: Let the younger members of the Burry Heights community entertain you while you dine! Join us Saturday, **September 21**, **5PM**. For tickets contact burryheightsday@gmail.com or (709) 754-8824. Stuffed Chicken breast with all the trimmings (\$20); chicken nuggets for kids (\$10).

The Lantern Speakers Forum 2019: Author John Philip Newell, a Celtic teacher and author from Edinburgh, will speak at The Lantern in October. The topic is "A Celtic Vision of the Sacred in All Things". Please join him at 35 Barnes Road, St. John's. \$15 per session or \$40 for all three sessions. To register, contact marilynhstack@gmail.com.

October 18, 7:00pm Original Blessing

October 19, 10:00am St. Brigid & The Sacredness of the Feminine

October 19, 1:00pm The Sacred Earth

<u>CAFÉ OF MEMORIES</u>: Join us as Lodge Westerland, in partnership with Alzheimer Society of Newfoundland & Labrador, hosts an afternoon of entertainment & refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers. All events are free of charge! <u>Please register by phone 576-0608 or email events@alzheimernl.ca</u>.

Location: Freemason's Hall, 115 Mt. Carson Ave, Mount Pearl Dates: September 12, October 1, and November 5 from 2:00PM - 4:00PM

The General Council Nominations Committee has launched a new call for nominations for a few key vacancies. People across the church are invited to express their interest, or nominate others who have the gifts to serve well in these leadership roles. www.united-church.ca/opportunities

Climate Advisory Circle

We are seeking two Indigenous people from the United Church to be part of the Climate Advisory Circle. This circle advises United Church staff about how to most effectively advocate and engage members for climate justice nationally. The advisory group will complement General Council Office staff with expertise from across the diversity of the church, including the Indigenous Church, and provide local and regional perspectives on climate advocacy and animation. To nominate or express interest in the Climate Advisory Circle vacancies please use this online form (https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/climateadvisory).

Deadline for applications: September 4, 2019

Finance Advisory Committee

The Finance Advisory Committee provides support, leadership, and advice on the finances of the General Council Office, the General Council, and its Executive. The committee is seeking up to four new members who will bring financial and stewardship experience and knowledge. Individuals will be comfortable with or have expertise in one or more financial disciplines, including operations management, strategic planning, accounting, financial strategy, investments, risk management, or audits.

Deadline for applications: September 4, 2019

Judicial Committee

We are seeking nine people from across the church who are knowledgeable in legal processes and the governance of the church. At least four of these members will be specialists. All members of the Judicial Committee will have an aptitude for and skills in legal processes or in the governance of the church. Those serving as specialists will have related legal or administrative tribunal experience as assessed by the chair and resource staff of the Judicial Committee.

Deadline for applications: September 11, 2019

Expressions of interest and nominations can be submitted using this simple online form (https://unitedchurch.formstack.com/forms/servegc). However, people are also welcome to submit by email, mail, or whatever method works best for them.