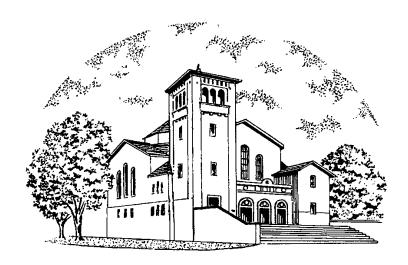
Cochrane Street United Church

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September 29, 2019 The Sixteenth 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 SEPTEMBER

Ian McMaster, Blair Bradbury, Gerry Penney, Bill Squires

THIS WEEK AT COCHRANE STREET SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 06

Tuesday: 12:30 PM YOGA Cochrane Street Entrance

Tuesday: 6:30 PM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance Sunday: 10:00 AM Choir Practice Bannerman Street Entrance Sunday: 12:00 PM Congregation Potluck Lunch Community Hall

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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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: The Rev. Roger Janes Stewardship and Gifts Officer, Atlantic Region, The United Church of Canada

PRELUDE:

*INTROIT: It's a Song of Praise to the Maker (vs. 3) #30MV
It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumblebees hum along.
It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the summer breeze joins the song.
And by the Spirit you and I can join our voice to the holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

*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:

We have gathered to worship God.

We have come seeking comfort, inspiration, community, and insight.

We have come to open ourselves to the power of God's presence in our midst.

We have come to offer up the seasons and the turnings in our lives, and to ask God's help in our learning and in our growing.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH: God, you touch our lives

with mystery and hope.
We come to this place today,
ready to see your power working through us.
Help us to be open to your Word,
and to answer your call among us.
In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY #220VU

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

O God, we ask for living water, but dip our buckets in old wells. We offer dried crusts and stale water, while complaining that no one will come to our banquet. Forgive us, O God, for our stale words, stale prayers, stale dreams.

Forgive us, O God, for turning up our noses at your water, cool and crisp, that brings new life.

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: WASH, O GOD, OUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS #442VU

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presider: The Rev. Scott Parsons

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

Dear Friends in Christ, we gather now to celebrate the gift of God's grace that is given to us in the Sacrament of Baptism.

We are one body and one spirit. We have one hope in the risen Christ. There is one Lord, one faith, one Baptism. One God and Creator of us all.

Out of the waters of baptism we rise to new life, forgiven of sin and one with Christ, members of Christ's body.

PRESENTATION:

On behalf of the congregation I present the following person for initiation into the Body of Christ through Baptism:

Addilyn Heather Grace Hillier-Woolfrey

PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you promise to resist evil and to live in love and justice?

I do, by the grace of God.

Do you believe in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit—in God, source of love, in Jesus Christ, love incarnate, and in the Holy Spirit, love's power?

I do, by the grace of God.

Will you join with your brothers and sisters in the mission and ministry of Christ's Church?

I will, God being my helper.

VOWS FOR THE PARENTS:

Will you share with your child the Christian life, and seek to grow with her in faith, hope and love?

I will, God being my helper.

VOWS FOR THE SPONSOR AND GODPARENTS:

Do you promise through prayer and example to support and encourage Addilyn to be a faithful Christian?

I do, God being my helper.

VOWS FOR THE CONGREGATION:

Let us pledge to Addilyn our support and care:

As a baptized and baptizing congregation, we commit ourselves to support and uphold you within a community that worships

God, loves and serves others, seeks justice and resists evil.

May God grant us all the grace to live out our baptism.

STATEMENT OF FAITH:

Let us with the whole Church confess our faith:

We are not alone,

we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

HOPES AND PRAYERS FOR ADDILYN

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the time of Noah, you destroyed evil by the waters of the flood, giving righteousness a new beginning. You led Israel out of slavery, through the waters of the sea.

into the freedom of the promised land. **Blessed are you, O God.**

In the waters of the Jordan,

Jesus was baptized by John. and anointed with your spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death. And opened the way to eternal life.

Blessed are you, O God.

We praise you that in baptism you give us your Holy Spirit, who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with a variety of gifts, that we might proclaim the gospel and serve as a royal priesthood.

Blessed are you, O God.

Pour out, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon this water that this font may become our fount of blessing and source of grace.

Blessed be the Lord our God, now and forever. Amen.

The Act of Baptism

I present to you, Addilyn Heather Grace Hillier-Woolfrey, the newest member of the Body of Christ through Baptism.

In God's circle of love, we hold on to each other; I can see God's love through you. In God's circle of love, we learn to love each other; Each of us is special, in God's circle of love.

Oh Addilyn did you know that you are very special?
You're so special to us all
Oh come if you will to our circle of love.
Each of us is special, in God's circle of love.

In God's circle of love, we hold on to each other; I can see God's love through you. In God's circle of love, we learn to love each other; Each of us is special, in God's circle of love.

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 God, your Word is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: JEREMIAH 32:1-3a, 6-15

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Reader: Oby Matsikiti

RESPONSIVE PSALM: PSALM 91 (pg. 807VU)

Reader: Leslie Matsikiti

GOSPEL READING: Genesis 1:25-31

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: You Are Mine

SERMON: Pass It On

*HYMN: IT ONLY TAKES A SPARK #289VU

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: ALL THE WAY MY SAVIOUR LEADS ME #635VU

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: Walk With Me (vs. 4)

#649VU

Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where love shines through.

And when you share your faith with me and work for life made new, the witness of your faithfulness calls me to walk with you.

Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where love shines through.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO SCENTS MAKES GOOD SENSE!

A friendly reminder that members of our congregation are sensitive to scented products (coughing, headaches, difficulty breathing, etc).

<u>Thank you</u> for helping create an environment in which we can all fully participate.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, September 29 - Congregational Pot Luck Lunch (After Worship Service)

Sunday, October 20 - United Community of Faith <u>Joint Worship Service</u>

First United Mount Pearl, 7:00pm

Sunday, November 10 - Fundraising Concert, Cochrane Street UC

MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE (September/October)

SEP 29 – Rev. Roger Janes OCT 20 – Katie Vardy

OCT 06 – Rev. Heather Sandford OCT 27 – Frances McNiven (reflection)

Worldwide Communion Sunday OCT 27 – Stephen Jewczyk

OCT 13 – Oliver Dingwell (leading service)

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

OUR THANKSGIVING MAILOUT is ready for pick up, located at the back of the pews. Please help us save on delivery costs by bringing envelopes to those who live in your neighbourhood. Your help is very much appreciated!

Kitchen Layout: Please note there are some changes made in the kitchen.

- 1) The silver fridge is now near the kitchen doors to your left as you walk in.
- 2) Another longer fridge (black with sliding doors) has been placed where the silver fridge used to be.
- 3) The black shelving that was beside the silver fridge was moved next to the dishwasher station.

POT LUCK LUNCH - Sunday September 29, 2019

The Chef's Night event was cancelled as the federal election takes place that same night, October 21. It is now in the process of being rescheduled. Details soon to follow.

Choir Rehearsal is on Tuesdays 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.

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

YOUTH FORUM-NOVEMBER 8, 9 AND 10: A Region wide Youth Forum is being planned for November 8, 9 and 10 at First United in Mount Pearl for youth in Grades 9 to 12. As more information becomes available, we will share the information with the congregation.

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.

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.

Art Hive is providing off loom weaving Sundays from 12:30pm – 4:00pm in Cochrane Centre's small meeting room. All materials available and at no cost. For further information, email hearthstonestudios@gmail.com.

JIGGS DINNER Thursday, October 3, 6:30pm: Sponsored by Anchormen Barbershop Chorus at Knights Of Columbus Hall, 49 St. Clare Avenue. A fun-filled evening of song, food, and lots of great prizes to be won (please keep the stub that comes with your ticket)! Tickets \$20 each, includes meal. Call Fraser Ellis at 722-7464 for tickets.

SPIRIT OF NEWFOUNDLAND PRODUCTIONS presents *Over The Narrows And Into History* **Thursday, October 3, 6:00pm,** \$80 per person. Enjoy an evening of laughs and a three course meal, and <u>help us feed our neighbours at Bridges to Hope Food Aid Centre</u>. We will also host a 50/50 draw with proceeds going to purchase food for our pantry. Learn more about this exciting event and reserve your ticket at bridgestohope.ca/spiritofnl.

LADY COVE WOMEN'S CHOIR Joins The Circus! Wonderbolt Productions is thrilled to invite you to the 2nd annual St. John's International CircusFest, **September 26-29**, 2019. Join us for an electric night of music, circus performance and dance as Newfoundland's own Lady Cove Choir and Atlantic String Quartet set the stage for internationally renowned artists. Visit www.stjohnscircusfest.com for tickets.

PROJECT GRACE is now accepting registration for our After School Music Program for children in grades 1 through 12. Lessons are offered in violin, cello, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, piano, percussion and ukulele. Please visit www.projectgrace.ca to learn more & to sign up!

Music Lessons for Grown Ups will be happening at Project Grace again this fall on Tuesday evenings, Sept 17 - Nov 7, from 7:30-8:30pm. The cost is \$120 per person. Lessons will take place at The Bethany Center, 10 Paton Street. Registration is now open online: www.projectgrace.ca

SING TOGETHER! HYMN FESTIVAL: Join us on **October 6 at 3 pm** for an hour of singing and hearing stories of hymns that explore and enliven the Christian faith. T. Wes Moore of Pollocksville Presbyterian Church (North Carolina, USA) will lead this hour of song and story. For more information about **Sing Together!** events (workshops and church service), see http://www.singingnetwork.ca/sing-together/ St. Thomas' Anglican Church, 8 Military Road, St. John's. October 6 at 3 pm. Free. All are welcome.

Awakening the Energy Within with Sheila Leonard, certified teacher and healing facilitator. 8-Week sessions at The Lantern, 35 Barnes Road. Classes start the first week of October then skip a week and resume October 15. Suggested donation \$80/8 weeks; \$10/class (or give what you can, when you can, if you can). For more information or a "come, taste & see" session, please contact Sheila at sheilaleonanard@nf.sympatico.ca or www.sheilaleonard.ca. Or contact The Lantern at 753-8760.

Tuesdays – Wisdom Healing Qigong beginners Wednesdays – T'ai Chi Chih beginners Thursdays: – T'ai Chi Chih beyond beginners

Thank you all (pastoral charges, congregations, UCW members, AOTS members, Women's and Men's groups, and individuals) for your support in every which way you gave it to make Burry Heights Day a perfectly successful event again this year. Together we do and can do wonderful things to support our children, youth, and young adults. With much gratitude, The Burry Heights Board of Directors

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES

Minutes of Session, April 12, 1932:

It was agreed to invite the Wesleyan members of HMS Dragon to service next Sunday morning.