

St. James United Church Life and Works, September 6th, 2015

We acknowledge the following donations:

*to the Cemetery Fund in loving memory of Gilbert Hiscock from his wife Ruby and family;

*to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of Bonnie Vincent from Sam & Joan Tiller.

Email message of appreciation: *"Hello: I finally have remembered to send along a note to say how beautifully kept the church grounds are. I sometimes drive along Anderson Avenue towards Elizabeth and see the lovely flower beds in front of the church. Looks great."* Wendy Batten

See our Greeters Claire or Jennifer today to order your vegetable hamper in support of Claire's fundraiser for her dance group to take part in *Dance the World 2016* next June in Orlando.

The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, September 7, Labour Day.

The next Escasoni Worship Service will take place at 2pm this coming Tuesday, September 8, at the new Long Term Facility on Newfoundland Drive. Volunteers are asked to meet at 1.15 in the chapel to plan the congregation pick-ups. We are in need of new volunteers to help transport patients to the chapel. Please speak with Rev. Pamela if you are willing to help.

The Senior Choir will be meeting on Tuesday evenings again, starting this coming Tuesday, September 8th from 7:30-9 in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to drop in and check it out, and we look forward to seeing some new faces!

The St. James Guitar Group will recommence their meetings next Wednesday, September 9 at 10am. New members are always welcome. They will be playing at Tiffany Village on September 17 at 2pm and at Kenny's Pond on September 24 at 7.15pm.

A covenanting service for Rebecca Pike, as she moves forward in her journey towards candidacy for United Church Ministry, will take place here at St. James on Wednesday, September 9 at 7.30pm. Refreshments will follow. We encourage everyone to come on out and show Rebecca our support.

The St. John's English Country Dancing Group meets at St. James on Tuesday evenings. The fall sessions begin on September 15 at 7.30pm, with a small cost of \$5 per class. Beginners are welcome until October 13. If this interests you, please contact Gail at 745-3881.

After our summer break, the St. James AOTS Men's Club will commence its fall program with a regular dinner meeting on Wednesday, September 16 at 5:30pm. A warm welcome is extended to new members.

Summer Photo Challenge: Where, who or what gave you the experience of God this summer? Did you take a photo? If not, there is still time this weekend. We will be gathering the photos (with a short written explanation if you wish) and compile them into a photo exhibit for Thanksgiving Sunday. We hope everyone will take part.

Telephone Extensions: When you need to call after hours or leave a message for the ministers or office, please use the following extensions. Church Office, 200; Rev. Terrie Burry, 202; Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald, 203; Susan Sheppard, 204; Property Office, 205; Kitchen, 207. Please note that neither the Property Office nor the Kitchen have mailboxes for messages.

The Agnes Pratt Home Auxiliary will hold a cold plate luncheon; bake sale and social on Thursday, September 10, at 12:30pm in Wesley UC. Tickets are \$15 each and are available by calling Marjorie at 722-6825 or Phoebe at 726-1689.

Jennifer Johnson's Less Violence, More Violins fundraising concert will take place on September 13 at 2pm at Cochrane Street UC. This year's concert will be a fundraiser for the Refugee and Immigrant Advisory Council, a local charity that helps newcomers to St. John's. Tickets cost \$25 and can be purchased directly from the Refugee and Immigrant Advisory Council, at Fred's Records on Duckworth Street, and at O'Brien's Music on Water Street.

Burry Heights Day: Mark your calendars for September 19. Please see the poster on the cork board in the vestibule for more information.

The Kidney Foundation's Annual 'Give the Gift of Life' Walk is being held Sunday, September 20 at Mundy Pond. Registration starts at 1pm in St. Teresa's Parish Hall, with the walk beginning at 2pm. You may register online at www.kidney.ca/atlantic/walks, via email at trina.ralph@kidney.ca or by calling 753-8999

Alzheimer Society Learning Series for Fall 2015 begins at 1pm on Wednesday, October 14. This program is available to caregivers, families, friends and individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer disease or a related dementia. It is divided into four separate sections and discusses important information on all stages of the disease. This program is available province-wide by conference call or Skype for those who cannot attend in person. Registration is required at 576-0608 or e-mail firstlink@alzheimernl.ca