

St. James United Church Life and Works, December 13, 2015

A memorial service will be held for William Case (Bill) on Saturday, December 19 at 2pm at Carnell's Memorial Chapel. William passed away on November 26 in Bradenton, Florida.

We acknowledge the following donations:

- * to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Gilbert, Gil and Lona Hiscock from wife and mother, Ruby;
- *to the Roof Fund in loving memory of Lona Hiscock from sister Patsy;
- *to Bridges To Hope from Glenn & Glenda Winsor;
- *to the Maintenance Fund in loving memory of Albert & Violet Whelan by Augusta Ford and Joan Tripp;
- * to General Operations from Glenn Moores;
- *to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund from Susan Pike & Michael Kavanagh.

Water Werks Communications is collecting diapers for their annual Christmas Diaper Drop. For more information or to donate diapers, please speak with Sarah in the Godly Play Room after Church, or contact Julie, 738-5090 ext. 213.

Your White Gift may be placed in the wagon at the church entrance.

The Tickle Inn Cookbook, by David & Barbara Adams, will be available in the Fellowship Room following the 11am Service today. The fully pictorial cookbook is \$21(including tax). For each book sold today, \$2 will be donated to St. James United Church. Come and see the book. If you don't have money with you, credit cards are accepted, or they can contact you later for your credit card information. The book makes a unique and very useful Christmas gift!

St. James Long Term Care (Escasoni) Caroling on Tuesday, December 15 from 2-3:15 pm. All volunteers meet in the chapel at 1.30 to divide into 2 teams, one for the South Wing and one for the North Wing of the East Tower. We will sit and make a joyful noise! There are approximately 30 volunteers needed for this outreach ministry event. Please join in this wonderful opportunity to give to others this Christmas.

Tickets for the Christmas AOTS Mens Club Dinner on Wednesday, December 16 are now available from the office, or Ron Robbins, 739-9105 at \$22.50 each.

Our Sunday School Party will be held following the 11am Service next Sunday, December 20.



Blue Christmas Service: Rev. Terrie and Rev. Pamela will be offering a special evening Worship Service next Sunday, December 20 at 7 in the Sanctuary.

Winter Solstice Celebration on Monday, December 21, will be held at 7pm in Susan's front yard, 397 Thorburn Road. This is an outdoor event, so dress for the weather and bring a flashlight and mug.

Christmas 2015 Memory Tree: Please ensure that the office receives the wording for your contribution to the white lights adorning the Memory Tree. Information sheets are on the notice boards.

St. James has 10 folding tables to give away, size 6'x2.5'. Please contact the office to arrange pick up. (722-1881, ext. 200)

Project Grace is making its list, checking it twice, and asking for your help! Please consider donating to the 2015 *Stuff Our Stocking* supply drive with musical items such as clarinet reeds, rosin and strings for violins and cellos, valve oil, cork grease, pencils and more to help keep our orchestral program running smoothly. Please visit [facebook.com/ProjectGraceNL](https://www.facebook.com/ProjectGraceNL) for the full list - or Long & McQuade Musical Instruments where the Elves would be happy to help you out! Questions? Email us at projectgracenl@gmail.com

Making last minute contributions over the Christmas period:

The office will be open at the following times:

December 21, 22, 23, 24: 9.30am – 1pm and 1.30 – 5pm

December 28: closed

December 29, 30, 31: 10am-3pm

If you wish to make a contribution outside of these hours, there is a secure mail box (lock box) for your use to the right of the exterior office door.

The financial year end is December 31.

Opera on the Avalon presents its annual Christmas Spectacular Concert with tenor, David Pomeroy, special guests Atlantic Vocal Ensembles, Leslee Heys, Jeffrey Taylor, Robin Whiffen, Kelsey Downer, Sarah Loveys and many more talents. The concert will be held this afternoon at 2 at Gower Street UC; tickets can be purchased at the door.

The St. John's Choir Christmas Concert, Noel, *Noel*, a multicultural evening of Christmas songs and readings at Cochrane Street UC at 7:30. The Choir is conducted by Stephen Candow and accompanied by Philip Roberts. Tickets are \$15 at the door.