St. James United Church Life and Work, October 30, 2016

We offer our condolences to Ethel Butler on the passing of her son, Gord, brother to Randy (and Grace) and husband to Gail, on October 19. The funeral took place from Barrett's Funeral Home on October 22.

Confirmation 2017: Any youth, Grade 7 or above, who wishes to take part in this year's confirmation classes, please contact Susan by November 13; 722-1881, ext. 204 or email to youthchurch@stjamesuc.org

St. James' Fall Meditation Series with SuAn continues tomorrow, Monday, October 31 at 11am in the Fellowship Room; donation basis, all welcome.

St. James UCW Fall Sale and Morning Coffee will be held next Saturday, November 5 from 9:45 to noon in the church auditorium. There will be the usual stalls of a variety of baked goods (including Christmas fruit cakes), jams, pickles, and fudge, and stalls with handmade goods - knitted, crocheted and sewn - and the surprise bags. Anyone wishing to donate, in any way, may contact sale convenors Marilyn Dunford 237-7100 or Jean White 739-0908. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased from members or at the door. We look forward to seeing you there.

58th Anniversary of St. James United Church Celebrations:

- **Tickets for our November 19 Celebration are now on sale from the office at \$20 each. At 4pm, there will be a Gospel Concert with our St. James Guitar Group, followed by a Ham and Beans Supper and Auction;
- ** our guest speaker on Sunday, November 20, at the 11am Worship Service will be Lisa Browne, Chief Executive Officer of Stella's Circle and an accomplished and entertaining speaker. Coffee hour will follow.

Hanging of the Greens – Musicians Wanted! The St. James' Senior Choir, in partnership with the PWC Chamber Choir, will be taking part in the Hanging of the Greens this year on December 4. In addition to the choirs, we are looking for vocalists or instrumentalists to perform solos at the event. If you are interested in participating, please call Emma at 764-1393 or Ashley at 771-0952 for more information.

Minute for Mission: Each year, in each Conference, a dedicated group of volunteers meets with two basic agenda items: 1. A large file of community ministries requesting funding and congregations in need of support; 2. Documents containing information about the allotted amount of M&S funds they have to share in their Conference. Discerning how the funds will be allocated is a lengthy and painful process. They prayerfully discern and distribute some of our gifts to M&S so all who have made requests will get at least some money to

continue their work. Without M&S givings, the work of these committees would not touch as many lives as they do. Thank you for all the ways we are making a real difference in communities across the country and other parts of the world. Please continue to make M&S giving a regular part of your life of faith.

Ten Thousand Villages Fair Trade Gift Sale, handmade from around the World: Memorial University Chaplaincy is hosting a sale of beautiful, fairly-traded gifts benefiting artisans from more than 30 developing countries. The gifts you buy at the Ten Thousand Villages Sale will give the blessings of steady work, fair wages, and a better life for struggling families around the world. The Festival Sale will be held Monday, October 31 to Wednesday, November 2, from 10am – 7pm in the Landing (UC-3018) on the 3rd floor of the University Centre, free admission. TenThousandVillages.ca & www.mun.ca/chaplaincy

Wesley United Church: Rev. Bill Mercer will preside over a service this evening which will start with a singalong at 6:50, followed by Allan Piercey and his keyboard with some of his original music, backed up by Wesley Male Choir on some pieces. All are welcome.

Fall fairs in the city:

The Agnes Pratt Home Fall Bazaar on Saturday, November 5, 10am-3pm with lunch starting at noon for \$7 per person.

George Street UCW Fall Tea and Sale, Jimmy Pratt Memorial Outreach Center on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 2 pm; tea at 2.30; tickets \$7 available from Ruby at 745-4807 or Ruth at 722-4961.

Cowan Heights United Church Musical Evening: Featuring Sweet Forget-Me-Not, Kilmainham, Musical Friends and Luke Tremblett on Sunday, November 6 at 7pm at Cowan Heights UC; admission: \$10, tickets available at the door or from the office, 745-2871.

VOAR Christian Family Radio is looking for volunteers for this year's Sharathon, November 7-9 to answer phones and do computer data entry of pledges. Contact 745-8627 or ttaylor@voar.org to volunteer or offer your pledge or prayers of encouragement. www.voar.org

Cantus Vocum Chamber Choir presents For the Fallen, Songs of War and Peace on Friday, November 11 at the Salvation Army Citadel, 26 Adams Ave., at 4pm. Special guests are Fred Hawksley, harpist Sarah Veber and the combined Bands of the Salvation Army Temple and the Citadel. This year's concert will include a tribute to the sacrifice of Newfoundlanders at Beaumont Hamel. Tickets, \$20/15, are available at the door.