

## St. James United Church Life and Work, March 19, 2017

### We acknowledge the following donations:

\*to the General Fund:

in loving memory of sister-in-law Elsie Hiscock from Patsy Hiscock;  
in loving memory of daughter-in-law Elsie Hiscock from Ruby Hiscock;  
in loving memory of Elsie Hiscock from Debbie Sharpe's Grade 4 class at Lakecrest School, St. John's;

in loving memory of Harold Price from Kim Dwyer and Denise Martin;

\*to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of sister-in-law Elsie Hiscock from Barry & Janine Hiscock and family;

\*to the GO Project-Rendezvous in loving memory of Edgar David Adams from Marina and family.

**Today, immediately after the 11am Service**, the Go Project and Rendezvous Youth will be offering a Mac and Cheese luncheon for a monetary donation. This will be followed by our Annual Congregational meeting to discuss reports from 2016 and approve the 2017 budget.

**Accompanist required:** St. James is seeking the services of a piano accompanist for their Senior Choir. This is a short term position, lasting from April 1 to May 31. Working in partnership with the Choir Director, duties include a two (2) hour rehearsal on Tuesday nights, and a minimum of two (2) 11am Sunday services per month. For return communication and/or further information, please leave your contact information with the office, 722-1881 ext 200 or [info@stjamesuc.org](mailto:info@stjamesuc.org)

**St. James' Church Council** seeks volunteers for the open chair positions for the following two committees: Worship and Sacraments, and Stewardship. If anyone in the congregation is interested in volunteering for these positions, please contact the church office, 722-1881, ext. 200

**We value your membership at St. James!** If you would like to become a full member of St. James' congregation, or if you are unsure of your current status with the church, Susan Pike can help you determine your status and become a full member of our congregation. Please contact Susan at 576-0703 or [susanpike@warp.nfld.net](mailto:susanpike@warp.nfld.net)

**Not a Bible Study:** *5 Marks of Love*, a 6 week Lenten study, continues tomorrow, Monday, March 20 at 11am, and Wednesday, March 22 at 7pm.

**Tomorrow evening, March 20:** Non-denominational women's meeting on the third Monday of the month. All are welcome to come and share an evening of fellowship and fun at St. James at 7. Bring a friend!

**Every Wednesday during Lent** there will be a short, weekly lunch-time Communion Service beginning at 12:15, followed by a brown bag lunch.

**Sunday, March 26**, following the 11am Service, there will be a Remit information session, rescheduled from March 12.

**Annual Fellowship of the Least Coin** will be in our Sanctuary on Friday evening, March 31 at 7:30, followed by refreshments. This is an inter-denominational worship service of prayer and reconciliation which supports marginalized and impoverished families overseas. Various church groups will minister with song. For more information, contact Inez Penney, 368-2200.

**St. James Congregational Needs Assessment Questionnaire:** Please give SuAn a call if you would like extra copies to complete, or, if received by email, print one for each family member. Please return the completed questionnaire by March 27.

**Please see the notice board** for how our donation of eyeglasses is changing lives.

**Stella's Circle, Spiritual Journey:** Rev. Pamela is looking for magazine donations for a program she leads at Stella's Circle. If you have any magazines collecting dust at your house, could you please bring them into the church office? Of particular interest would be National Geographic, Maclean's, Chatelaine and any fashion magazines.

**Minute for Mission:** Working toward racial justice in church and society is a lifelong journey. We must be open to learning from each other, with each other, and with the Spirit, so that we continue to break down barriers and build just institutions. We need to work for racial justice within our church. The United Church's online racial justice workshops are one step on this journey and are open to everyone in the United Church. They help participants engage in self-examination around white privilege and internationalized racism, as well as analyze the systemic nature of racism in the church and wider society. They offer our ministry leaders tools to begin or continue the work of racial justice in local ministry contexts. We sing thanksgiving that our gifts to M&S encourage continuous learning and provide resources for justice and right relationships.

**This evening at Wesley UC**, the Wesley Male Choir and Rev. Bill Mercer will hold a service starting with a sing-along at 6:50. The theme of the service will be "*Songs of the Sea*" and the soloist will be Allan Piercey. All are welcome.

**Gower Men's Club Take-out Teas:** March 25 marks their 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Cold Plate Production. If you would like to order a dinner or two (ham and beef with 3 kinds of salads, a jelly cup and cookies) at a cost of \$12 each, please phone Lloyd Gill (745-2615) to reserve, and pick up on the morning of the 25th.