

St. James United Church Life and Work, May 6, 2018

We offer our condolences to Lee-Ann Fleming, her siblings, family and friends, on the passing of Lee-Ann's beloved father, Samuel 'Ches' LeGrow on April 27. His funeral took place from St. James on May 1.

We also offer our condolences to Dawson and Jeanette Stuckless, their family and friends, on the passing of their daughter, Shelley Stuckless Warner on May 1. Her funeral took place from St. James yesterday.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to the General Fund in loving memory of Ches LeGrow from the AOTS Men's Club.

After today's 11am Worship Service: Please join our Youth Ministries team in the auditorium for their monthly soup lunch. Cost is a donation.

Tomorrow, Monday, May 7: Beginner Quilting with Susan continues at 4:30pm.

Tuesday, May 8: *2pm: Pleasant View Towers Service; volunteers, please meet at 1:30 in the Chapel;

*7-9pm: Grief and Bereavement Information Session in the Cafeteria Conference Room, L.A. Miller Centre. For Further Information, please contact Peter Barnes at 777-2167 or Mag Snook at 777-8972.

Thursday, May 10: Uppity Women of the Bible group in the Youth Room at 7pm.

"You are invited to a fun evening of song: Thursday, May 24 at 7:30. You will know many of the tunes, and will be encouraged to sing along. Looking to take a friend or family member out for an evening? This guitar and accordion concert is sure to give you a lift! We hope to see you here. The more the merrier! Tickets at the door!" The St. James Guitar Group

Minute for Mission: Our gifts for M&S change lives around the world. Our global partner, the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) is addressing the problem of severe drought by creating a conservation agriculture program. This model uses matching, crop rotation and minimal tilling, combines with water harvesting, and management to move toward the goal of local food security. The NCCK works with Kenya's National Drought Management Agency and advises the agency of needs in drought stricken areas. The agency in turn reports to the national government where help is needed. Much effort is made through various organizations doing trials and experiments in technologies to determine the varieties of drought tolerant maize and legumes that are the most suitable for growing in parts of Kenya. The agency partnerships started as a result of M&S support of conservation agriculture. They share best practices and enjoy a collaborative relationship. Farmers appreciate the support this project has received. In one area, more than 800 households have participated in the conservation agriculture project. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our M&S.

Project Grace is hosting Summer Music Camps for children in grades 1 through 9, and Adult Music Lessons during July and August! A wide range of camps and lessons is available - something for everyone! Please visit projectgrace.ca for more information and fill out the online registration forms.

Please Support School Breakfasts for Canadian Children! In Canada it only costs \$1 to give a child a breakfast, and yet every morning over 1 million children go to school without a meal. Recognizing this problem, Enactus Memorial, a volunteer organisation from Memorial University's Faculty of Business, started their latest project: *SmartCooking*. It's a social enterprise that, through a partnership with Choices for Youth, employs at-risk youth to produce a healthy, ready-to-eat cookie dough, SmartCookie. SmartCookie is then sold, with profits going to the Breakfast Club of Canada, allowing them to provide balanced breakfasts to children in need. If you would like to purchase SmartCookie for yourself, or would like to make a donation to purchase some for a local youth community group in need, please contact choir member Stephen Browne (scbb80@mun.ca, 763-8804), or visit www.smartcookingco.ca

Request for Assistance: The Jimmy Pratt Memorial Outreach Centre provides a hot breakfast every Monday morning from 8:30 - 10, to help those less fortunate. The program's sponsor is Husky Energy, providing the financial support as well as 4 staff volunteers each week to help prepare, serve and do the clean up. They need 4 additional volunteers weekly during the summer months to give their fall, winter and spring volunteers a break and avoid burnout. If you could spare a Monday morning, any Monday, from May 21 to September 9, they could use your help. They will have a cook and team leader on hand each week. If you can help or need more information, please call George Parsons, Programs Coordinator 685-0066.

This evening: Cowan Heights United Church Dessert & Silent Auction Party at 6:30pm; music by Whizgiggin; doors open at 6pm, tickets are \$15.

Wesley United Church's three separate Flipper Dinners on Thursday, May 10, Thursday, May 24 and Thursday, June 7, all at 6pm. Eat in only, no takeouts. Tickets are \$25, valid only on the night for which they are purchased, from Pheobe at 726-1689, Joan at 368-0434 or Wesley Church office at 579-3682.

Agnes Pratt Mother's Day Afternoon Tea on Saturday, May 12. Tickets are \$15 per person, available from Jackie, 752-8957. They will have a lovely selection of homemade pastries with jams and cream and delicious tea sandwiches.

Aurora Women's Choir's 4th annual Spring Concert, Saturday, May 12, 7:30pm in our Sanctuary. Special guests are the Trinitas Chamber Ensemble - Michelle Cheramy (flute), Nathan Cook (cello), & Phil Roberts (piano). Tickets \$20 regular, \$18 student/senior; children 12 & under, free admission.