## St. James United Church Life and Work, August 5, 2018

**Members of our choirs and congregation,** now that the Music Program has finished for the summer, please consider sitting in the choir pews! No musical/vocal experience or expertise required!

**Tickets are now available** for purchase or reservation from our Church Office for our Diamond Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, November 17at 6 for 6:30pm in the Auditorium. Cost is \$25 per ticket.

Bridges to Hope is looking for donations of school supplies for their annual Bag to School program. Each year Bridges to Hope provides curriculum based school supplies and school bags to North East Avalon students in kindergarten to high school and Adult Basic Education. This year St. James has been asked to donate Exercise Packs (regular & spiral bound). Donations can be dropped off at the office, or in the donation box at the front entrance of the church.

George Street United Church is presenting a concert that offers a spiritual uplifting event for youth, teens and families. This is Katie Power's debut album launch and features a full band with the opening group, Katapa. The man leading this band is in his 70's. He is from Africa and led another incredible band here in St. John's years back called Mopaya. The concert will take place Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 at the door or \$15.00 in advance at the church office. For more information please contact katiepowernl@gmail.com or call the church office at 726-8775.

Cathedral Crypt Tearoom, hosted by the Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, 16 Church Hill in downtown St. John's, will be open this summer. The tearoom has operated each summer for over twenty years in the crypt of the historic Cathedral. Featuring delicious breads, cookies and scones served with tea and coffee, specialty teas and even hot chocolate and juice for the children. The tearoom is a great way to spend a summer afternoon.

Operating Days/Times: Wednesday-Saturday weekly, 2-4pm each day, until August 18<sup>th</sup>. Costs: Adults (\$10) Children (\$6). Come for the first time, or stop by for your annual visit to the tearoom. Reservations are recommended for groups of 8 or more. These can be made by calling the church office at 726-5677.

**Save the Date!** The annual bonfire & worship at Middle Cove Beach will be on Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. More details to come later in the month!

Minute for Mission: Our gifts to M&S support work with advocacy organizations like Project Ploughshares in its efforts to abolish use of nuclear weapons. Hiroshima could happen again. The doctrines, actions & postures by those who embrace the purported benefits of nuclear weapons perpetuate, rather than renounce, nuclear weapon retention. More than 15,000 nuclear warheads threaten civilization & even a limited exchange would cause devastating humanitarian consequences. The rationale for complete elimination of these weapons rests in the possibility that a catastrophe could occur by accident of design, & would involve a greater number of more powerful bombs than those dropped on Hiroshima & Nagasaki. Until all nuclear weapons are eliminated, a preventable risk lingers. Canada boycotted the recent effort to advance nuclear disarmament, but apprehension about this stand is voiced by Canadian civil society experts, academics, former diplomats & prominent citizens. Project Ploughshares has engaged civil society partners & government officials in Canada & beyond to emphasize the need for nuclear abolition & the gravity of the nuclear weapons threat. The use of nuclear weapons is unacceptable & the goal of complete elimination is not negotiable.

## We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

to the General Fund

\*in loving memory of Ross Pilgrim from Frances and Graham Horwood;

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to Project Grace

\*in loving memory of a dear friend Ross Pilgrim from Dave and Dot Hapgood

\*to the Painting and Cleaning Fund from Rev. Donovan Brown

## **Grief and Bereavement Information Session**

Date: August 14, 2018

Time: 7-9

Location: In the Cafeteria Conference Room (behind the Cafeteria) at Dr. L. A.

Miller Centre

**Beginners' Yoga** is taking place Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30pm at Cochrane Centre, in the sanctuary. All levels are welcome. Mats provided. For further information, please contact 754-2532.