We offer our condolences to Cator Brown, his family and friends, on the sudden passing of Cator's beloved wife, Jean, on December 3. Her funeral service took place from Carnell's Chapel last Thursday.

The poinsettia adorning the Sanctuary today is in loving memory of Nellie & Bill Bishop from Beverley, Karen and Keith and grand-daughter Kara and family.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Stella Circle's Wish list in loving memory of daughter Joanne Hapgood, R.N., B.N. and grand-daughter Bethany Danielle Pike from Dot & Dave Hapgood.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to the General Fund in loving memory of Dr. Betty Brett: *"Ever remembered, love Michelle."*

Financial Update: To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of $4,115. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.)

Givings for:
- November 18: $3,745
- November 25: $6,700
- December 2: $4,249

The Memorial Fund of St James was established as a means for families to commemorate the lives of deceased loved ones through enhancement of worship and the Sanctuary. It is managed by the Worship and Sacraments Committee. Examples of expenses are: Hymn Books, Bibles, Choir gowns, Furnishings for the Sanctuary and Music. Music is an integral part of our worship services providing joy, solace, inspiration and peace through participation, simply listening or reflecting. The Music Program at St. James is financed directly from the Memorial Fund. When considering donations to the church, we ask that you consider donating to the Memorial Fund.

Today after the 11am Worship Service: A congregational meeting to discuss the Visitation Program and the status of the Minister of Visitation position.
This afternoon: Project Grace presents their Christmas *Semester Showcase* in our Sanctuary at 3pm. Admission is by freewill donation.
Every Sunday: St. James' Anniversary Calendars are available for purchase at $20 each. They are also available during the week from the church office.

The 60th Anniversary was a wonderful event and a truly special evening. If members of the congregation have photographs they are willing to share, please contact Susan Sheppard for information on how to send them.

Tomorrow, Monday, December 10:
Loose Threads Sewing Studio, 3-6pm.   *Writer's Circle, 7-9pm.

Tuesday, December 11: *Pleasant View Towers Worship Service at 2pm. Volunteers, please meet at 1:30 in the chapel to plan the congregation pick-ups; new volunteers are always welcome! **Important notice** for volunteers: When residents are taken from their floor to go to the Chapel, they need a floor identification tag, available from the floor nursing station.
*St. James Guitar Group will be playing at Karwood Retirement Community at 2pm.

Thursday, December 13: This week only, the weekly *Not a Bible Study* meets at the Mercy Centre at 7pm for an Advent Retreat.

Next Sunday, December 16: *The 11am White Gift Service with donations to Stella's Circle and Street Reach. Stella Circle's Wish List for our White Gift Service is on the notice board by the Annex door.
*7 pm: A Christmas Festival of Carols and Choirs**.** St. James will host an evening of Christmas music: a congregational carol sing alongside performances by the Senior Choir and various groups from the St. John's community. Entrance: freewill offering.

Guy Matthews Medical Assistance Fund: Please see Page 6 of your Christmas Visitor for details.

Christmas 2018 Memory Tree: Christmas is a time of celebrating the birth of Jesus. As with all special celebrations, we remember with fond and loving memories those who are no longer with us to share in these occasions. One of the ways we at St. James acknowledge this at this time is through the Memory Tree. For a donation of $5, a coloured bulb will be changed to a white one in memory of your loved ones. The changing of lights is a beautiful, seasonal visible symbol. Even when the tree comes down, the gift continues in our Life &Works. Deadline Monday, December 17.

Memory Tree Form

Name of person donating: _____

In Memory of: _____

Env #:_____ Address if no Env. #:_____