

St. James United Church Life and Work, January 13, 2019

We offer our condolences to Albert & Myrna Arklie whose grandson, Matthew John Arklie, passed on December 29. His funeral took place from Caul's Chapel on January 4.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Bridges To Hope in loving memory of grand-daughter Bethany from Nan & Pop Hapgood.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund in loving memory of Bethany from Richard, Andrea, Brianna and Brayden Reid.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Project Grace in loving memory of Bethany Pike from Stephen, Susan and Rebecca Pike.

We gratefully acknowledge donations to the General Fund in loving memory of Jean Brown from Helen Collins and Aubrey & Ruby Hill.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations to the Memorial Fund in loving memory of:

- * Jean Brown from Gilbert & Lillian Thomas;
- * Joan King from the St. James UCW.

Tomorrow, Monday, January 14:

***Sewing Studio** returns, 3-6pm in the Fellowship Room. New people welcome.

***Writer's Circle** every second and fourth Monday of the month, 7-9pm in the Fellowship Room, open to anyone wishing to discover or exercise their creative writing skills as well as folks needing direction, proofreading or editing of their work, with assistance from experienced leaders.

***St. James UCW** meetings restart this evening at 7:30pm; all welcome.

Tuesday, January 15: Book Group monthly cafe style discussion of *The Great Spiritual Migration* by Brian McClain in the Youth Room at 7pm.

Wednesday, January 16: First of 2019: **AOTS dinner meeting** at 5pm for 5:30 in the Auditorium. New members are always welcome, and encouraged to join.

Thursday, January 17: Not a Bible Study, 'Painting the Stars,' at 7:30pm.

Saturday, January 19:

***Tech Time**, 10am – noon in the Fellowship Room. Would you like help in navigating your electronic device? Our experts can help.

***Ukelele (new!) Weekly**, 1:30-2:30 in the Fellowship Room.

***Community Potluck and Games Night, 6-9pm** in the Auditorium! All ages are welcome! Bring something to share for supper, and stay for fun and board games, or even a game of cards!

Sunday, January 20: Celebrate the Week of Prayer of Christian Unity at the St.

John's and Area Council of Church's Worship Service, 3pm here at St. James United Church. Rev. Faith March-MacCuish will be speaking on our theme, "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue" (Deut. 16:20). Our offering this year will support L'Arche Avalon. May Christ bind us together in this visible act of corporate worship.

*** Youth Groups**, 7-9pm

***An Introduction to the Pipe Organ:** Amy Dalziel, Associate Music Director at St. James and a Colleague of the Royal College of Organists, will give a short introductory course on the pipe organ for youth ages 12-18. The course will consist of four lessons: Sunday, Jan 20, 27, Feb 3, 10: 6-7 pm. This is a group course (i.e. not private lessons) and will run if at least 2 people enroll (with a maximum enrollment of 4 people). Students must have a few years of piano tuition to enroll. Cost: \$25 per class (\$100 for the 4-week course). Contact Amy (765-1003; amd637@mun.ca) by Thursday, January 17 with any questions or to enroll.

Monday, January 21: Women's Yarn Gatherers at 7:30pm. Come for a yarn and/or bring your yarn and needles.

Minute for Mission: Our gifts for M&S offer students an opportunity to gather for a meal in a multi-faith, safe space at places like the large Halifax campus of Dalhousie University. If you visit Dalhousie's Multi-faith Centre on Monday night, you will be greeted with a free hot meal provided by the United Church chaplain and so much more. The Monday Night Meal creates an inviting and intimate space in which chaplains greet students from diverse backgrounds by name. Even the food available reflects an intentional effort to support respectful, intercultural and multi-faith community bonds. As they share food and conversation, students build trust with one another and the chaplains. They share stories and opinions, including personal beliefs and spiritual perspectives. During special seasons on the inter-faith calendar, the Multi-faith Centre student assistants occasionally take the lead, contributing food and related traditions that are essential to their faith. At the Monday Night Meal, there is an open table and a warm welcome! Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our M&S.