

"This bulletin is dedicated in memory of my beloved husband, Jonathan Edwards Richards, from his loving wife, Olga Broomfield-Richards".

It is also dedicated in loving memory of
Dr. Betty Brett
from Linda and Florence.

St. James United Church

September 29, 2019/Creation Time 4

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Organist:	Amy Dalziel
Music:	St. James Guitar Group
Greeters & Ushers:	Gail Colbourne, Janet Bartlett, Jean White, Laura Keough

St. James United Church is a safe place for all people to worship, regardless of race, creed, age, ability, cultural background or sexual orientation.

MUSICAL PRELUDE:

Selection by the Guitar Group

WELCOME

LIGHTING THE CANDLE: (One) We come together as a people of God, gathered in the light of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: (adapted from Psalm 100)

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.

One: Know that the Lord is God. It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

All: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise. Give thanks to God and bless His name.

OPENING PRAYER: (together) Wonderful Creator God, as we join in praise, in prayer, in song and worship here, we feel Your Spirit moving among us. Let the warmth of Your presence uplift and transform us, making us whole, through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN: *Shall We Gather at the River*

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CHILDRENS' TIME, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

HYMN: *Try a Little Kindness*

*If you see your brother standing by the road
With a heavy load from the seeds he sowed,
And if you see your sister fallen by the way,
Just stop and say: "You're going the wrong way."*

***You've got to try a little kindness,
Yes show a little kindness,
Shine your light for everyone to see;
And if you try a little kindness,
Then you'll overlook the blindness
Of the narrow-minded people
on the narrow-minded streets.***

*So don't walk around the down and out,
Lend a helping hand, instead of doubt,
And the kindness that you show every day,
Will help someone along their way.*

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG:

*We love the place, O God, wherein Thine honour dwells.
The joy of Thine abode, all earthly joy excels.
It is the house of prayer; wherein Thy servants meet,
As Thou, O Lord, art there, Thy chosen flock to greet.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER: (together) We come before You, God, with open hearts and open hands, ready to receive and ready to give. Aware of our blessings, we seek to be a blessing to others through our words and actions. Through this offering may we and others experience Your generous love and grace. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM: *Wings of a Dove* Guitar Group

HYMN: *Because He Lives*

*God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal and forgive.
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives.*

***Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone.
Because I know, He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives.***

*How sweet to hold a new-born baby,
And feel the pride and joy he gives.
But greater still the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.*

*And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain.
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.*

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6: 1-8
 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

HYMN: *Wonderful Words of Life*
Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;
Words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty:

Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed One, gives to all, wonderful words of life;
Sinner, list to the loving call,
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven:

Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Saviour, sanctify forever.

HYMN: *Precious Memories*
Precious memories, unseen angels,
Sent from somewhere to my soul.
How they linger, ever near me, and the sacred scenes unfold.

Precious memories, how they linger
How they ever flood my soul,
In the stillness of the midnight
Precious, sacred scenes unfold.

Precious father, loving mother, fly across the lonely years;
And old home scenes of my childhood in fond memory appear.

In the stillness of the midnight, echoes from the past I hear;
Old-time singing, gladness bringing from that lovely land somewhere

As I travel on life's pathway, know not what the years may hold.

As I ponder, hope grows fonder, precious memories flood my soul.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: *Give Me Oil in My Lamp*
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,
Give me oil in my lamp I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,
Keep me burning 'til the break of day.

***Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings.
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings.***

Give me joy in my life, keep me praising,
Give me joy in my life, I pray.
Give me joy in my life, keep me praising,
Keep me praising 'til the break of day.

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving 'til the break of day.

COMMISSIONING: (One) And now, touched by God's Spirit, which makes us free, held in God's love, which gives us strength, befriended by God's Son, who breaks down walls, let us live with hearts wide open to all that it means to be God's people.

BENEDICTION

(Let us share the peace of Christ with each other as we leave.)

MUSICAL POSTLUDE

Minute for Mission: We give thanks for over eight years of giving through the *Gifts with Vision* catalogue. Every gift is developed by one of our Mission & Service partners, and each one truly makes a difference! Let us hear some of the amazing things that have been accomplished thanks to your giving through *Gifts with Vision*: clean water projects in Congo, Nicaragua, and Zambia; summer camp experiences for more than 200 children across Canada; education and safe spaces for children around the world; food for people who are homeless in Canada; grocery gift cards and warm clothing for remote Indigenous communities; food, shelter, and education for displaced persons in Kenya, the Philippines, Colombia, and Jordan; Indigenous cultural renewal here in Canada; a culture of peace in Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East; and projects in reconciliation and Indigenous reclaiming of language and traditions--just to name a few! Your generous support for Mission & Service means that Mission & Service

partners receive core funding for their programs. Your gifts through Gifts with Vision provide additional support for Mission & Service partners and ministries for selected projects.

Accessibility at St. James United Church:

Hearing Devices

Wheelchairs

Enlarged Bulletins

If you wish to use one of the above services that we offer, please speak with one of our ushers and they will be happy to assist you.

St. James United Church Life and Work, September 29, 2019

“Thank you all (pastoral charges, congregations, UCW members, AOTS members, Women’s and Men’s groups, and individuals) for your support in every which way you gave it, to make Burry Heights Day a perfectly successful event again this year. Together we do and can do wonderful things to support our children, youth, and young adults. With much gratitude, The Burry Heights Board of Directors”.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations;

*** to the General Fund** in loving memory of:

Jonathan Edwards Richards from Olga Broomfield-Richards;

Frank Ramjattan from St. James AOTS Men’s Club;

***to the Senior Choir** in loving memory of Jonathan Edwards Richards from Olga Broomfield-Richards;

***to the Cemetery Fund** in loving memory of mother, Mildred Blackwood and brother, Walter Blackwood Jr. from Lorna Jamieson.

<p>Financial Update: St. James sincerely thanks our congregation for their ongoing support. To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of \$3,961. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.</p> <p>Givings: September 8: \$3,225 September 15: \$5,274 September 22: \$2,977</p>
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Choral Scholars: The Worship & Sacraments Committee is seeking 2 additional choral scholars to supplement our senior choir in Music Ministry. These positions are exclusive to youth who are members of St. James’ Church family. Qualifications: university aged students; a voice student or in music school preferred but not essential; ability to read music; a positive attitude. Expressions of interest may be submitted to the Church Office by email info@stjamesuc.org or telephone 722-1881 ext.200 for response by the Worship Team. Please include your experience and contact information. Deadline for expression of interest is **October 3rd at noon**. Further information will be provided on request.

Tickets are now available from Aubrey Hill, 726-8306, for our semi-annual Fish Dinner on Friday, October 25 at 6pm

Coughlan College Trust Fund Scholarship Application: Any student, who is a member of the UCC and enrolled in a degree program or a 3-year diploma program at a post-secondary institution, may be eligible for this scholarship. Please see the application form on the notice board or speak with SuAn. Deadline for applications is October 15.

Monday, September 30, 3-6pm: Susan's **Loose Threads** Sewing Studio Fall Session continues.

Tuesday, October 1: 2-4pm: Café of Memories 2019 at Freemasons' Hall, Mount Pearl for an afternoon of entertainment and refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers, hosted by the Alzheimer Society of NL and Lodge Westmoorland. Call 576-0608 to register - no charge.

Wednesday, October 2: Spiritual Fellowship: 12 noon - 2pm for a half hour Worship Service in the Youth Chapel followed by lunch and social time. Bring along your brown bag lunch. Coffee and tea provided. Drop in and join in, for some or for all. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, October 3: Bridges to Hope Fundraiser at 6:30pm. Spirit of Newfoundland Productions presents *Over The Narrows And Into History*, dinner and a show at Bridges To Hope Food Aid Centre, Tickets are \$80 each. www.bridgestohope.ca or 722-9225.

NEW: Friday, October 4: AOTS and UCW Choirs continue to practice together at 2pm in the Fellowship Room. New members welcome!

Saturday, October 5, 2pm: Blessing of the Animals at Memorial Church, Portugal Cove. All welcome.

Saturday, October 12: Thanksgiving Potluck in our Auditorium at 6pm.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 30: Bethlehem Market at St. James; details to follow.

Wesley United Church Jiggs Dinner and a game of Auction, Thursday, October 3, starting at 6pm. Tickets are \$25 and will need to be bought and paid for in advance. For information call Pheobe at 726-1689 or Marvin at 579-7900.

Please see the Community notice board outside the Sanctuary for information on some community events.

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