

St. James United Church Life and Work, March 1, 2020

Thank you to all who attended the Pancake Supper! Thank you as well to the many volunteers who helped make the evening possible. We would also like to thank Clifford Smith of Smitty's Restaurants in Churchill Square and Mount Pearl for donating the pancake batter. It was enjoyed by all.

The flowers adorning the Sanctuary today are in loving memory of parents Bill and Ruby Vallis from Betty and family.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to the General Fund in loving memory of Hon. Dr. John Crosbie from Phil Saunders.

We gratefully acknowledge donations to Project Grace in loving memory of Joanne Hapgood, R.N., B.N. from Stephen, Susan and Rebecca Pike.

Please note: The Congregational meeting set for March 1 has been rescheduled to March 8 following the 11:00 am service.

Our Property Committee is looking for a replacement for Keith Davis to carry out the custodial duties every Sunday morning; this is a paid position. Please contact Bill Legge for further details at 770-0345 or w.legge@nl.rogers.com

Financial Update: St. James sincerely thanks our congregation for their ongoing support. To meet our budget, we need average weekly givings of \$4,038. (This includes the weekly PAR contributions.)	Givings: February 9: \$3,652
	February 16: \$3,890
	February 23: \$2,857

Lenten Folders: If you have not received your Lenten folder, you may find it outside the office in alphabetical order of your last name.

Monday, March 2: Loose Threads Sewing Studio, 2-5pm.

Thursday, March 5: Lenten Study Program begins: 'Signs of Life: Why Church Matters.' This is a 5-week program on Thursday mornings at 10:30

in the Youth Chapel. Please contact Susan (722-1881, ext. 204 or susan@stjamesuc.org) to register; course materials will cost \$5.

Thursday, March 5: Lenten Lunchtime Communion Services at noon in the Youth Chapel.

Friday, March 6: World Day of Prayer for the city of St. John's. This year, the Service will be held at Wesley United Church at 7pm.

Saturday, March 7:

*Ukelele class, 1:30pm in the Youth Chapel;

* Contemporary Worship Service, 4:30pm.

Congregational Meetings: Your Council has recently approved several action plans which affect all of us. We ask that members make every effort to attend the following 2 meetings.

***Next Sunday, March 8,** after the morning Service, to share information on a proposal formulated by Stewardship to address our debt and financial future.

***Sunday March 15,** following the morning Service, our Annual Congregational Meeting to receive the Annual Report and Budget.

Our UCW will have their regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 9 at 7:30 pm in the Auditorium. The program will be presented by TanJay, women's fashion store. They are bringing in a rack of new spring arrivals, and will show how they can be mixed, matched and coordinated with accessories. They will also bring some coupons along. New members are always welcome.

Sunday, March 15: Our guest choir at the 11am Worship Service will be Newfound Sound Women's Barbershop Chorus, who will be performing in celebration of International Women's Day.

The Lions Club of Newfoundland and Labrador has placed a used eyeglass collection box in the side entrance of the church. They invite anyone with a pair of gently used prescription glasses or sunglasses (without the case) to donate them to their recycling program. Glasses collected in the province are now being recycled by inmates at the Bishop's Falls Correctional Centre, to be sent to Haiti for vision clinics co-sponsored by Lions and Team Broken Earth.