

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Margaret Quick Babstock
(March 2, 1919 – June 2, 1999)
beloved mother and grandmother
from her family.

St. James United Church

March 15, 2020/Third Sunday in Lent

Minister:	Rev. Brian Colbourne
Minister of Youth/Christian Education:	Susan Sheppard, DLM
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Organist:	Amy Dalziel
Guest Choir:	Newfound Sound
Guest Choir Director:	Branden Olsen
Usher in Charge:	Jean Thompson
Greeters and Ushers:	Sabrina, Willow and Gracie Pilgrim, Betty Pilgrim, Mary Daya, Linda Babstock

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

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CANDLE: (One) We light this candle to remind us of the presence of Christ. The light from this one candle shines equally for each one of us; the light from this one candle shines equally for the world.

INTROIT: *Do Lord*

Guest Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: You are water to the thirsty, O God.

All: You are bread to those who have a spiritual hunger.

One: Your covenant, O God, is lasting and true.

All: It is for each one of us, but holds good for nations and faith communities.

One: We come to worship our God.

OPENING PRAYER: (together) God, You invite us into community with You. The responsibility is awesome to love one another as Christ loves us. Thank You — for this community of love. Thank You — for being more than we can imagine. Thank You, God! Amen.

Camino de Emaús is a vibrant ministry serving hispanophones and francophones in Montreal, thanks in part to support from Mission & Service.

In recent years Camino de Emaús created a wellness program geared to seniors called Camino de Oro, or Golden Path. They organize outings, fitness and dance classes, wellness workshops with guest speakers, and other activities to foster community and combat social isolation. Camino de Emaús also recently exhibited its memory museum and participated in commemorating those whose lives were lost or forever changed by the coup in Chile on September 11, 1973. Several people shared photos and thoughts of lost loved ones and also called for everyone to continue to work together, with respect and tolerance, to show solidarity not only with Chile but also with other causes closer to home, as there is still much to improve in Chile, Canada, and the world. Camino de Emaús is a faith-filled community that welcomes those in need of healing and support.

St. James United Church Life and Work, March 15, 2020

With recent news of the COVID-19 pandemic, we request that if you are experiencing even common cold symptoms, please stay home until you feel well.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation to Project Grace in loving memory of Joanne Hapgood, R.N., B.N. from mom, dad and family.

Due to the cancellation of last week's Service, today's Congregational Meeting, after the morning Service, is to share information on a proposal formulated by Stewardship to address our debt and financial future.

A big thank you to Branden Olsen and our guest choir at this morning's Worship Service - Newfoundland and Labrador's only all-female a cappella chorus, the Newfound Sound Women's Barbershop Chorus.

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 23: \$2,857
	March 1: \$3,579
	March 8: \$1,172

Wednesday, March 18: AOTS dinner meeting at 5pm for 5:30 in the Auditorium. New members are always welcome, and encouraged to join.

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

Saturday, March 21:

*TechTime, 10am - noon in the Fellowship Room

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

* Contemporary Worship Service, 4:30pm.

Saturday, March 21 at 10am: Burry Heights Camp and Retreat Centre Board of Director invite you to attend the AGM of Burry Heights Camp, at the camp site (exit 35 on the Trans-Canada Highway, route 90, Salmonier Line). Information regarding Burry Heights Appreciation Tree, along with forms for nominating folks, is on our Community Notice Board.

St. James Annual Congregational Meeting is next Sunday, March 22, following the morning Service and Coffee Hour to receive the 2019 Annual Report and 2020 Budget.

Sunday, March 29: Service of Music: A Journey through Lent (11am): a Service of Worship through music, including solos, small ensembles, congregational hymns and a 'Pop-Up Choir'. Anyone and everyone is encouraged to join the 'Pop-Up Choir' for a rehearsal before the service at 10am. No choral experience necessary! Please speak to Branden or Amy for more details.

Correction to March 1 Life & Work: The pancake batter for our Pancake Supper was donated by Clifford Small of Smitty's Restaurants.

Celebration of Life Easter Butterfly

On Easter morning we celebrate the new life of the risen Christ by filling our Sanctuary with butterflies! You are invited to join us by sponsoring a butterfly to hang in our Sanctuary for the Easter season; the proceeds received will be put toward the ongoing work of our St. James Church community. Butterflies can be given to commemorate a special event, to honor a loved one, in memory of someone, to mark a milestone. Help us to create our Easter Butterfly Sanctuary. To sponsor a butterfly, please return the form to the church office before Sunday, April 5.

<u>Celebration of Life Easter Butterfly</u>	
Name of person donating:	_____
In Celebration of:	_____
Env #:	_____ Address if no Env. #: _____
Deadline is Sunday, April 5.	

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