Life and Work - September 18, 2022

It is with our sincerest apologies that a condolence included a misspelled name last week. Below is the correction:

We offer our sincerest condolences to:

Earl and Evangeline Snelgrove on the passing of Earl's brother Eric Snelgrove on September 3, 2022, in St. John's. The funeral was held on Thursday, September 8, 2022.

New Office Hours: The office will be closed on Mondays. The office will be open on Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30AM-12:30PM, and the entire day on Friday from 8:30AM-4:30PM.

Notice: There will be a short congregation meeting immediately following the 11:00am service on Sunday, October 2, regarding membership on the Board of Trustees. Please make every effort to attend.

Welcome Back Sunday Volunteers: In preparation for the Welcome Back Sunday, we are planning to blitz the immediate neighbourhood with invitations to St. James. We need 6-8 volunteers to help distribute invites. The more people we have, the less time it will take. Contact James (james@stjamesuc.org) if you can help.

Pride Parade now on September 25: As you will recall, the annual Pride Parade was cancelled because of the high temperatures. It has been rescheduled to September 25. Contact James (iames@stjamesuc.org) if you plan to attend after our Welcome Sunday celebration.

'Contemporary' Worship with Susan: will return THIS Sunday, September 18, at 7 pm in the Fellowship Room. A relaxed, less formal worship. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Celebrate the Equinox: On Saturday, September 24 at 2 pm in Bowring Park, Wild Light Spiritual Oasis (formerly St. James' Forest Church) hosts a "create your own ritual" meditation to mark the Autumnal Equinox. We will meet at the Peter Pan statue (by the pond at the east end of the park). Be sure to dress for the weather.

Men's Club Luncheon Meeting: Current members of the Men's Club and any others interested are invited to the first luncheon meeting of the fall to be held on Wednesday, September 21. We will gather at 12:30 pm for lunch at 1:00 pm. To assist with meal preparation, please inform Aubrey or Clyde of your intention to attend.

George Street United Church Sunday Evening Hymn Sing!

The UCW of George Street United Church are hosting a Hymn sing fundraiser on Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 7 p.m. . All are welcome!!!

It will be in the main sanctuary of George Street United Church with special guest performers as well as lots of congregational singing. There will be a free will offering available that evening. (If you would like to make a special donation recognizing a specific person or occasion, please reach out for more information by Sept. 25th.)

The church office is available Tuesday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 pm at 726-8775, or via email at office@georgestunitedchurch.com

Cochrane Street United Church Fall Plant And Harvest Sale:

Saturday, October 1, from 11:00am–2:00pm. Come visit us on the patio at 81 Cochrane Street to see our indoor & outdoor plants, chutneys, relishes, jams and marmalades! If you have any questions, please contact the church office by Tuesday, September 27 at: 722-3023 or info@cochranestreetuc.com.

Orange Shirt Day is Coming Up: Each year on September 30, we mark Truth and Reconciliation Day in Canada, also known as Orange Shirt Day. We are encouraged to wear an orange shirt on that day, and in fact any day, in support of survivors of Indian Residential Schools and their families who are also impacted by their experience.

There are a couple of ways that you can prepare for this day:

The first is to order an Orange Shirt from First Light at a cost of \$20. All shirts are unisex style. This year's shirt features the winning design by Franke Kelly, age 10.

You can order a shirt at: https://sinfc.wildapricot.org/osd





Another possibility is to purchase a beaded pin in the shape of an orange shirt. They are made by a Metis artisan and the cost is \$35.00.

You can email Rev. James (james@stjamesuc.org) and he will place the order for you.

Purchasing a shirt supports the development and construction of the Residential School Memorial Garden, located at 40 Quidi Vidi Road, which has been designed in consultation with residential school survivors!

If you have any questions about ordering, please email: info@firstlightnl.ca, or call 726-5902 and select general inquiries.

Sewing Studio: has resumed for a 4-week session on Mondays from 7-9 pm in the Fellowship Room until October 3rd. Bring along your current sewing project, sewing machine, and supplies or if you would like to learn how to make self-binding placemats bring 2 – one-meter pieces of coordinating quilting cotton and I'll show you how.

Pausing Bottle Caps: We have been asked by "Recycle on the Rock" to put a pause on collecting plastic pop bottle caps. Their bottle cap drive has been so successful that they are having trouble keeping up. Stay tuned for a notice of when to start bringing them in again.

Calling all woodworkers: Have you noticed those little boxes with books while out on your walks? We'd like to install our own mini-library outside, increasing the impact of what we have had inside our foyer for the last few years. If you're a woodworker and would like to give us a hand on this project, email susan@stjamesuc.org.

Another Date Change, this time for Welcome Sunday:

We have decided to push forward the date of our "Welcome Sunday" by a week to September 25 to give various church groups more time to put together an information display, and for members to reach out to invite friends and neighbours to join them for worship.

Cowan Heights United Church Take-Out Hot Turkey Dinners:

For tickets, call Cowan Heights United Church office at:

745-2871.

Deadline to order: TODAY, September 18th

Pick up: Cowan Heights United Church on Sept 24th at 4:30PM.

Cost: \$20

Your meal will include: Fresh Turkey (White & Dark meat), Dressing, Potatoes, Carrots, Turnip, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Roll and Butter Pattie, and a Desert!

