

Life and Work - March 19, 2023

Reflective Wednesdays at Noon: Each Wednesday throughout Lent, (Rev.) James will lead an informal communion service and bible study focused on the readings for the upcoming Sunday in the Fellowship Room. Communion is at noon, followed by the discussion. Bring a bag lunch if you wish.

Sewing Studio: on Mondays in Fellowship Room 7-9 p.m. or at Memorial United, Portugal Cove 1-3p.m. All sewers, knitters, needle workers and crafters welcome.

MAP Input Session on Sunday: Following worship on today, March 19th, the MAP Team is hosting the first of a series of input sessions, this one focused on naming together our history as a congregation. This is a way to lift up what has been important for us in the past and so to help us define our ongoing purpose and identity. Coffee and tea will be available. Afterwards you can go downstairs to get first crack at the Book Fair.

Book Fair: Just a reminder that St. James is having their book fair this weekend: Today, Sunday, March 19 from 2-6 pm and Monday, March 20 from 10 am - 5 pm. Admission is \$2 and only cash will be accepted. Members of the congregation are invited to come down and shop after the service before we open to the public.

Office Closure: The office at St. James will be closed on Tuesday, March 21st to observe the St. Patrick's Day holiday and will reopen on Wednesday morning.

AOTS Luncheon: The Men's Club will meet on Wednesday, March 22 with lunch served at 1:00 pm. A member of our club, Don Blackmore, will speak on his newly released book: "Born with the Sea in his Blood", a biography of Captain John Hann Blackmore, MBE: Honoured Mariner and Humanitarian. Captain John was Don's grandfather. Members will have the opportunity to purchase a copy of this book at a cost of \$20. New members are always welcome.

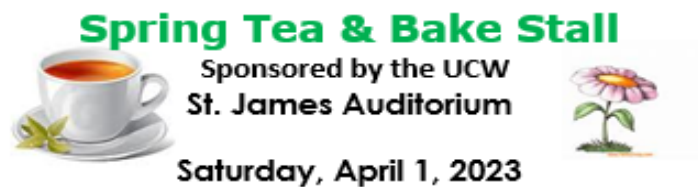
Guaranteed Living Income Vigil, March 25 at 2:30 pm: On March 25 our Social and Eco Action Team are co-hosting a GLI Vigil along with Gower St. United Church. Come to the sanctuary as the Very Rev. Dr. Marion Parry and various interfaith leaders join together with federal, provincial and municipal leaders in voicing their commitment to making a guaranteed living income a policy priority. Together we can help to eradicate poverty in our local community and all across Canada.

UCW Spring Tea & Bake Stall: St. James United Church
330 Elizabeth Avenue

Co-Conveners:

Barbara Butt:
(709) 687-1041

Sheilah Beckett:
(709) 726-7421



Time: 2 – 4 pm Cost: \$8.00

Spring Tea Tickets: May be purchased at the door or from UCW members.

Donations: Donations of baked goods would be most appreciated.

We also ask if everyone can please bring their own shopping bag

Reducing Paper Use for Lent: Traditionally during Lent people will give something up. This year at St. James, we are doing this collectively by reducing our paper use during worship on Sunday mornings. We are using the overhead slides more thoroughly. We encourage people who like to use bulletins to share and for those who wish, the bulletin can be accessed through your smartphone.

Out in Faith: Out in Faith presents Exploring Queer Spirituality on Thursday, March 23 at 7:00PM at The Lantern, Bonavista Room @ 35 Barnes Road, St. John's. Music is by Spectrum Queer Choir. ASL interpretation by Triangular communications. All are welcome. Accessible Venue (Parking at the Basilica) Masks are requested. For information, please contact the email below: OutinFaithNL@gmail.com