

St. James United Church

A Community of Friends in Faith

330 Elizabeth Ave, St. John's, NL, A1B 1T9

Celebration of Worship for June 16, 2024



The people of St. James United Church are eternal seekers who value diversity within our congregation, city and all of society. We affirm each person's uniqueness and believe that all persons deserve to be valued, treated with equity, and respected. We are all children of God, walking many paths of spirituality.

Further, we proudly and publicly declare our commitment to practice radical hospitality and strive in every way to provide a safe and supportive place for all persons to participate in the worship and work of our church.

Guided by the teachings of Jesus, we embrace all persons, regardless of creed, race, age, ability, economic status, cultural and ethnic background, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, or any other difference that has led to marginalization or oppression.

In memory of
Adolphe (Al) Penney
Love Minnie

In Loving Memory of our Father
Eric Paul
From: Nancy & Anthony
“The love and wisdom that Dad
shared will always guide us.”

June 16, 2024, 4th after Pentecost; Father’s Day

Leading Worship: Rev. Peggy Johnson
Leading Music: Amy Dalziel
Ushering: Marilyn Adams, Jean Thompson,
Sheilah Beckett, Berna Aslan and Ruth Baker

*Please rise in body or in spirit where there is an *.*

We Come to Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME; ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND AND KINSHIP

We greet each other in Mi'kmawi'simk, Innu, Inuktitut, French & Farsi as we acknowledge the land and local Indigenous peoples and commit to full inclusion for all.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us come together giving honor to Almighty God
our Creator!

All: Let us honor those who led us in the ways of the Lord during our youth. Especially today do we remember our fathers.

One: Thanks be to God for the families we shared in our childhood and the families we have created during our own earthly journey.
May the Lord bless all our loved ones wherever they may be.
Let us give thanks that we are also part of the family of God.

All: Together, as the family of God, let us worship in gladness and in song.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, in your infinite wisdom you have blessed us with families. Just as we love and honor you, O God, we love and honor those who raised us from childhood, as well as the precious children and grandchildren whom you have entrusted to our care. May we feel your presence as we celebrate your love and the love we share with our families and friends. We give you our praise, Lord, and in Christ we pray. Amen

* **HYMN:** “We Praise You, O God” (*Voices United 218*)

* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Share in Love

OUR LIFE AND WORK: *We share what is going on in our community.*



OFFERTORY: *There are many ways to give to St. James. You can place an offering in the plate, scan the QR code on the left, contribute via PAR, website (www.stjamesuc.org), e-transfer (email treasurer@stjamesuc.org), mail to the church office or drop in our secure mailbox. In whatever way you choose to give, the community is grateful.*

PRESENTATION HYMN: “We Give Thee but Thine Own” (*VU 543*)

**“We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.”**

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

Loving God, through our offerings and our lives may we bring healing and forgiveness to a hurting world. May we show your love every place we go and to everyone we meet. In Christ we pray. Amen.

We Listen and Respond

* **HYMN:** “For the Beauty of the Earth (*Voices United 226*)

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

READINGS: *At the end of each reading please say, "Thanks be to God."*

2nd Samuel 18: 28-33, Psalm 103 (*Voices United*, p. 825), Ephesians 6:1-4,
Luke 15: 11-24

MUSICAL OFFERING

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

* **HYMN:** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (*Voices United 602*)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We take time to pray for the needs of our global and local communities, knowing that what we pray for we also are called to do something about.

The Lord's Prayer: Repeated together (*Voices United 921*)

We Leave to Serve

* **HYMN:** "Faith of Our Fathers" (*Voices United 580*)

* **COMISSIONING (Unison)**

Let us go in peace to love and care for one another in the name of Christ Jesus. Let us remember that life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, quick to forgive and always be kind.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

St. James United Church

Council Chair:	Michelle Skinner
Lead Minister:	Rev. James Ravenscroft
Minister Emeritus:	Rev. Dr. Donovan Brown
Music Director:	Amy Dalziel
Associate Music Director	Bob Rose
Office Administrator	Stephanie Harnum
Technology Support:	Jake Thompson
Church Custodian:	Bruce Winsor

Life and Work - June 16, 2024

We offer our sincere condolences to family and friends on the passing of Bertha Marie (Ryan) Noseworthy age 85 years. Funeral took place at St. Thomas of Villa Nova Church on Wednesday, June 12th, 2024 at 10AM, followed by internment at Topsail R.C Cemetery.

We offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends on the passing of Pearce John Penney, aged 96 years. Funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 2:00 pm at Topsail United Church. If you would like to view the service, it was live streamed. Please visit: www.barretts.ca and follow the link provided.

We accept the following donation to the Cemetery Fund:

- * In loving memory of our Dad, Don Marshall from Janet, Joanne and Families.
- * In memory of Cecil G. Cole from Wife, Muriel, Sons Floyd, Warren and Families.
- * In loving memory of Dad, Fred Higdon. Love Cheryl, Karen, David and Kelly.
- * In loving memory of Father, Capt. Walter Blackwood and Husband, Bas Jamieson from Lorna Jamieson and Family.
- * In loving memory of Chesley Howse, Hubert Stokes and Carl Babstock from Jean and Family.

We accept the following donation to the Memorial Fund:

- * In memory of Edna Hunt for The UCW.
- * In loving memory of Clayton Humphries from Wife, Ethel, Sons Paul and Dwight.

We accept the following donation to the General Fund:

- * In memory of our fathers: Douglas Hann and Peter Dyke from Menetha and Sid Dyke.
- * In memory of James A Beckett from Sheilah, David, Tina and Kayleigh.
- * In memory of Capt. William and Susan Moss from Sheilah and David Beckett.

We accept the following donation to the Operating Expenses Fund:

- * From the UCW from proceeds of the Spring Tea.

Memorial Hymn Sing:

"All The Way My Saviour Leads Me"

* In memory of Jonathan Edwards Richards, My Beloved Husband from Dr. Olga Broomfield-Richards.

Summer Worship Schedule: We have copies of the Summer Worship Schedule available for anyone that wants to have one.

Caution - Construction: The construction has started on Elizabeth Avenue. When coming to the church, please use the back entrance of the church on Paton Street to avoid the construction and detours.

Away on Retreat: Rev. James will be away on retreat from this coming Wednesday (June 12) to Monday (June 17).

Cold Plate Dinner Fundraiser: **EXTENDED Deadline** for Orders is **SUNDAY, June 16**, after Church Worship.

Cold Plate Dinner Fundraiser

St. James United Church (330 Elizabeth Ave.) is now taking orders for cold plate dinners.

They are \$18 and can be pre-ordered by calling the church office at (709) 722-1881.

Payment is required to place your order and can be paid in person or by e-transfer. The dinners will be available for pickup on June 21, 2024 anytime after 1:00 pm.



Cold Plate Dinners
will be provided by:



Help Requested with Cold Plate Dinners: Would anyone be available and interested in the morning of June 21st to help put the Cold Plate dinners together and again in the afternoon to help distribute them? We will need 3 to 4 people.

BRIDGES TO HOPE: For each month of 2024, Bridges to Hope will suggest a much-needed food item for members of our partner congregations to consider for donation. The suggested item for June is cereal. Of course, other non-perishable food items are always welcome and appreciated. Bridges to Hope are also in need of *reusable bags* and are asking for some to be donated if possible.

Parking Permits Required: We have been informed by MUN parking enforcement that there have been incidents of high school students and other people parking in our parking spaces. Due to this, parking enforcement will actively be monitoring our parking lot. We have been asked to provide temporary parking permits to our visitors of the church during weekdays. This will help indicate to MUN parking enforcement who is a visitor of the church and who is not.

When visiting the church, please see Stephanie in the church office for your temporary parking permit. Thank you.

Take out Lobster Dinner: Topsail United Church will be Holding a Takeout Lobster Dinner on Saturday June 22. Pick up time will be from 5 Until 6 P.M. Meal will consist of 3 different types of Salads, Lettuce, Tomato, Roll, Dessert. Cost \$30, To Reserve please call the Church Office at 709-834-4567.

Cowan Heights Men's Club Draw: Cowan Heights United Church Men's Club are selling tickets on a beautiful Hand-Built Newfoundland Rodney (Rowboat), Hand-Crafted by a congregation member-Retail Value: \$2,000. Tickets are \$5 each and the draw will take place on July 7, 2024. If you would like to purchase tickets you can pick them up at the church office. Thanks in advance for your help!

2024 Cemetery Memorial Services

Gate of Heaven - June 25, 2024 at 7PM

Kilbride - July 2, 2024 at 7PM

Mount Pleasant (Hamilton Avenue Extension) - July 8, 2024 at 7PM

Mount Carmel - July 9, 2024 at 7PM

Anglican Cemetery (Kenmount Rd) - July 13, 2024 at 7PM

Belvedere - July 16, 2024 at 7PM

General Protestant (Topsail Road) - July 22, 2024 at 7PM

Anglican Cemetery (Forest) - July 17, 2024 at 7PM

Holy Sepulchre - July 23, 2024 at 7PM

Foxtrap (Dunns Hill Road) - July 28, 2024

Memorial Gardens (Beaumont Hamel Way) - July 29, 2024 at 7PM

Foxtrap (Church Road) - August 4, 2024

Salvation Army (Blackmarsh) - August 7, 2024

Please note:

In the event of inclement weather, the services will move ahead to 7 P.M. the next evening.