## Life and Work - August 18, 2024

## We accept the following donation to the Cemetery Fund:

\* In loving memory of Thomas Hill from wife Joyce and family.

Planning Retreat: We are having a retreat on Saturday,

September 14th, 9am to 3pm.

We will take time for community building, idea sharing, event coordination, and goal setting for the coming year.

All committee members are encouraged to attend for the full day with an open invitation to interested members of the congregation in the afternoon. Email the church office (<a href="mailto:info@stjamesuc.org">info@stjamesuc.org</a>) to register or Rev. James (<a href="mailto:james@stjamesuc.org">james@stjamesuc.org</a>) if you would like more information.

Parking Permits Required: We have been informed by MUN parking enforcement that there have been incidents of 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 the church office for your temporary parking permit. Thank you.

**Calling All Gardeners:** We are in need of some gardeners who could help weed our flower beds. Trowels available for folks who do not have their own. Thanks.

## Youth Confirmation:

This fall, Rev. James will be leading confirmation classes. If you have a child or grandchild in their mid to late teens who would like to be confirmed, please email Rev. James, james@stjamesuc.org

**Communion on the Beach:** Mark Thursday, August 29 at 7pm on your calendars for an outdoor communion service at Middle Cove Beach. We will take time to reflect together and then make bread on a stick over the campfire as we share communion.

Free Cookbooks: There are 2 cookbooks available for anyone who would like one: "100 Easy Recipes - One Pots" and "Great American Favorite Brand Name Cookbook - Collector's Edition". Please see the church office if you would like to have one.

**Bridges to Hope:** Bridges to Hope is currently running a "Bag to School" Program to support K-12 students in our community. This program ensures hundreds of students go back to class in September with a backpack custom-filled with the supplies they need for a successful school year. For anyone wanting more information about the program and how to donate, there are brochures available in the church foyer.

Are you planning a road trip this summer? Or have to visit any provincial locations for work? If so, please take as many pictures as possible! We will be compiling them and creating a 2025 Scenes of Newfoundland and Labrador calendar that will be available for purchase in October (more details regarding the sale will be given later in the year). This is your chance to brag to friends and family that you are now a published photographer! So get out there and explore.....we can't wait to see all your talent.

Are you looking to join a choir? We are one month away from the start of our 2024/2025 season. Coastal Sounds Choir and Aurora Women's Choir are looking for new members and would love to meet you. If you have any questions, please email Abra at aurorachoir.ad@gmail.com

There will be a concert at First United Church on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm featuring 'The Irish Descendants'. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at the First United church office on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 12pm, or after their 11am Sunday Worship service. For further information, please call the First United church office at 709-368-2194.