Life and Work - July 28, 2024

We accept the following donation to the General Fund:

* In loving memory of Parents, Grandparents, and Great-Grandparents: Lewis and Margaret (Quick) Babstock, who were married on August 6th, 1945 from Ed and Linda Murphy.

Communion next Sunday: For anyone who is joining in worship from home in real time next Sunday, August 11, we are sharing the sacrament of communion. Be sure to have some bread and grape juice or another food and drink option so that you can share in the sacrament with everyone else.

Communion on the Beach: Mark Thursday, August 29 on your calendars. On that day we will have 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 in communion together.

Save the Date: Our church Council is having a planning retreat on Saturday, September 14 and everyone is invited for the afternoon portion of the retreat. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, email Rev. James - james@stjamesus.org.

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.

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.

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.

2024 Cemetery Memorial Services

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.

Finance Update to June 30, 2024

At the Annual Congregational Meeting, back on March 17, 2024, you approved a Deficit Budget of \$50,536.00. Below is where St. James is on June 30th compared to 2023 for the same date.

Revenue:	2024	2023
Collections	71,935.36	78,062.25
Other Envelopes	10,644.70	8,912.35
Rentals	22,293.14	22,985.27
All Other Revenue	16,913.78	15,761.69
Total Revenue	121,787.08	125,721.56
Expenses:		
Heat	23,947.70	23,879.23
Light	4,465.26	3,523.76
Church	52,461.91	43,399.60
Assessments	9,852.00	8,070.50
Committees	861.91	1,131.08
Salaries	82,788.32	99,373.84
Total Expenses	172,377.10	179,378.01
Net Loss	-52,590.02	-53,656.45

Our revenue is down a bit from 2023 and so are our expenses.