

We accept the following donations to the UCW:

* In memory of Nina Abbott from Menetha Dyke, Carol Butters, and Phyllis Hoskins.

We accept the following donation to the General Fund:

* In memory of Margaret Quick Babstock, our loving Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother from her family.

We offer our sincere condolences to the family of George William Smith who passed away peacefully on February 23, 2025. Aged 74 years. Funeral service had taken place on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 10 a.m. from Caul's Chapel. Inurnment followed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

<https://www.cauls.ca/obituary/george-smith>

Bulletins: After some careful thought, our church council has reversed the decision to move to a paperless service. We will continue to print bulletins but to shrink our carbon footprint we would like to reduce the number of bulletins that we print. To this end, we encourage people to follow the service via projection, to share bulletins when possible, or to download a digital version of the bulletin on their phones.

A One Stop Shop for Information: Have you seen our *Bulletin Boards* in the Main Foyer? It is a spot to see upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, information about social action issues, in general a spot to get your information.

The Spring Visitor is here!

The Visitor is now completely online, so please visit the church website at www.stjamesuc.org to download your edition.

If you would like a paper copy, please contact the office.

Thank you to all who contributed.

CBC Radio Story: Here is the link to the CBC/Radio Canada story about us here at St. James that was recently broadcast on TV. Please **use** the link below to watch or check our website.

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/tele/le-telejournal-acadie/site/episodes/1005113/episode-du-18-fevrier-2025>

Pancake Supper: will be held on Tuesday, March 4 at 6pm. Come enjoy all the favourites; pancakes, berries, beans and sausages, coffee, tea and juice for just \$10 per person (12 years and under \$5). Tickets are available for purchase from Aubrey Hill at (709) 726-8306 or Clyde Flight at (709) 722-9935. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Bring in Palm Fronds: In preparation for Ash Wednesday (on March 5), please bring in palm fronds from last year (or earlier). They are burned and then the ash is used for the custom of having a cross traced in ash on your forehead.

Taizé /Ash Wednesday: This coming March 5 is Ash Wednesday, the opening service of the Season of Lent. *This day coincides with our regular Taizé service.* As such the Taizé prayers and reflection will include a time when people can receive ashes.

Tapestry - Saturday, March 8 @ 5:30PM: Beginning with a potluck at 5:30 pm, this service celebrates the strands that make us who we are in terms of faith and experience. Based on a theme, "Women of the Bible". For those who are attending, come with thoughts to share on who your favorite woman in the Bible may be.

Lenten Bible Study: This coming Lent, Rev. James will be leading a bible study exploring the **meaning** of the cross. There are 2 time slots. On Sunday afternoon after fellowship (bring a lunch) and on a weekday evening (day and time TBD by participants).

Lenten Prayer: Along with study, prayer is another important practice during Lent. To this end, Rev. James will be leading centering prayer on Thursdays at 12:15 pm. He will do so via Zoom. Centering prayer is a prayer of quiet and stillness. He will explain it more as part of the group practice.

Follow this link to take part:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82667792442?pwd=AMc6XzwxdkVpDcpiGIbRQoUHnXbhW0.1>

Meeting ID: 826 6779 2442

Passcode: 401894

Annual Congregational Meeting: The Annual Congregational Meeting is on Sunday, March 23 at noon. Refreshments will be provided.

Recycling: Did you know that St. James United has its very own Recycling Account? If you'd like to donate your empty bottles, bring them to the Recycling Depot on O'Leary Avenue. Tell them it's for us and we get the refund.

You're Invited!: The United Church Women are inviting all seniors to a meeting with the Office of the Senior's Advocate, so you can share your concerns and ideas to improve services for seniors on Monday, March 10, 2025 @ 2pm here at St. James United Church. Open to the public. All seniors welcome, men and women!

Baked Goods Available for Order: If you still want to order baked goods, you can! See list below of what's available. Contact info@stjamesuc.org to place your order.

Baked by Marilyn Adams

Batch of Cream Puffs (fresh crease or lactose free)	\$15.00
Lemon Meringue Pie, 9-inch	\$15.00
Drumstick Pie (regular or lactose free)	\$20.00
Coconut Cream Pie, 9-inch (regular or lactose free)	\$15.00
Iced Chocolate Pound cake	\$15.00
Lemon Drop Cake	\$20.00

Baked by Jennifer Whitfield

Single-tier Ginger Cake (with whipped cream)	\$20.00
2-tier Devil's Food Cake with chocolate ganache	\$35.00

Baked by Glen Warren

2-tier Iced Pina Colada Cake	\$35.00
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Baked by Sharon Seaward

Coconut Rum Cake	\$35.00
Lemon Poppy Seed Cake	\$20.00



 Get Ready for a Night of Laughter, Mystery, and Mischief! 

It's Prohibition time in Newfoundland, and Spirit of Newfoundland is bringing you the most exciting show of the year—*Lover's Lies and Libations - A Prohibition Tale!* On March 28, 2025, Gower St UC doors open at 6:30 p.m. to a rollicking evening full of chaos, mistaken identities, and bootlegged spirits! The irrepressible Doyle family has transformed their family-owned pub into a funeral home with a hidden gem—Prohibition Hall, a speakeasy tucked away in the shadows. But when opening night brings a flurry of mistaken identities, unexpected guests, and a flurry of uproarious shenanigans, this is an evening of fun you'll never forget.

 Dinner, Show & Non-Stop Entertainment - All just \$120 per person! 

This is your chance to grab your spot for an unforgettable night filled with laughter, libations, and the kind of drama you'll be talking about for months! Bypass the downtown parking, park at St. James and avail of our taxi service to Gower St UC. Enquire about our childcare availability. Dietary considerations available upon request.

Tax receipts issued for a \$50 portion of the ticket.

 Tickets are selling fast, so get yours today! 

Hosted by Gower St, St. James, and Cowan Heights United Churches. Don't wait—this night promises to be an absolute blast, and you're going to want to be there when the Prohibition Hall shenanigans unfold.

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AT SPIRIT OF NEWFOUNDLAND FOR



MAR 28
7:00 PM

A THREE-COURSE DINNER THEATRE
GOWER THEATER , 208 GOWER STREET
TICKETS \$120
PLEASE PURCHASE IN ADVANCE
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