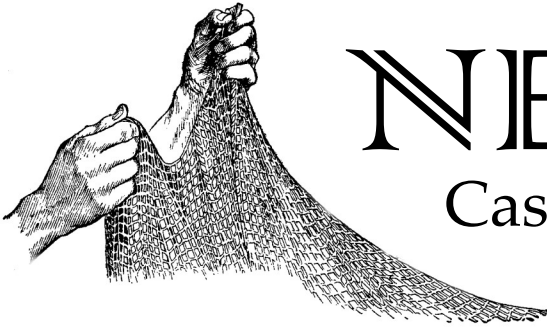

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Thank You - West River's 2018 Benevolent Activities

2018 was a very busy and productive year for our Church's outreach support and activities. This was made possible by wide-spread support from the Congregation and leadership from the West River Council, the UCW, the Christian Committee and Sunday School, the Youth Group, and the Outreach and Hospitality Committee. Through money raised during the year, and utilizing a reserve that had accumulated in the Benevolent fund over a number of years, we were able to support individuals and organizations ranging from local to international. They were: West Wood Primary Christmas Clothing Drive, Cornwall and Area Christmas Food Hampers, Scott's Socks, Bedford MacDonald House, UPEI Chaplaincy, Camp Abegweit, Charlottetown Area Interfaith Syrian Refugee Fund, Mikinduri Days for Girls, and the Canadian Food Grains Bank (Yemen Famine Relief). Additionally, for many years, our Congregation has supported the United Church's Mission and Service Fund (M&S) in excess of \$20,000 annually. As a Congregation, we should be very proud of our concern, and our support of others. A sincere thank you is extended to all who have helped make these accomplishments possible. Ernie Stavert, Chair- Outreach and Hospitality

Pew Packs

Our pew packs are refreshed and back, since there is no Sunday school this weekend. The packs are placed at both entrances, and are available for children to borrow for the service time.

Sunday, December 30, 2018

2019 Envelopes are ready

The Giving Envelopes for 2019 are ready for pick up in the hall. Please contact Martina in the office if you would like to start using PAR (pre-authorized remittance—monthly on the 20th), or if you do not currently have giving envelopes and would like a set for 2019.

Annual Reports

Another year almost complete! This means it is time for us to compile our 2018 annual report. Committee chairs are requested to submit reports for their areas of responsibility, including those of any related subcommittees, and where appropriate (as in previous years) to be accompanied by financial statements. Deadline: January 10th 2019! It is important that you compile your report(s) and submit it (them) to the church office no later than January 10th, 2019. It is preferred you submit your report(s) electronically as a word document. If you have questions about this process please contact Martina in the office, Leah Eldershaw or Kevin Sanderson.

Memorial/Celebration Bulletin

Make a donation of \$25 on behalf of your loved one and we will print it in our bulletin and add a beautiful picture slide in the PowerPoint presentation. You will be able to pick the text and also the picture used. Can also be used for Anniversaries or Birthdays. Please contact the office for more info.

Do Drop In....coffee time at the Church

We would love to have you join us for a cup of coffee or tea!
Feel free to bring a snack to share. Everyone welcome!
Starting again in the New Year on Thursday, January 10th
at 10 am in the parlour!





West River United is happy to provide persons experiencing auditory challenges with the latest accessibility features. **Our Sanctuary is encircled by a new audio loop. Any hearing aide equipped with a T-coil option can access our audio feed.** We also have 2 receivers with earbuds which also tie into the audio loop. Please ask your greeters for assistance. We hope to make your Worship experience as comfortable as possible.

Cancellation of Service

In exceptional circumstances such as extreme weather conditions, power outage, or facility problems it may be necessary to cancel the service or other activities in the church such as concerts etc. In such cases, information about cancellation will be made available via our church website www.westriverunited.com and our Facebook page as well as the local radio stations.



**Next Sunday is Order Sunday
for Fair Trade Coffee, Tea, Chocolate
Next Sunday is also Food Bank Sunday!**



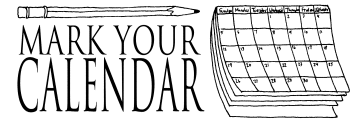
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Upcoming Worship Services

Worship Service, today, Sunday, December 30th at 10 am,

Norma Hermann—Lay Leader

Worship Service, Sunday, January 6th at 10 am.



(DVD's of every Worship are available to borrow from the church office.)

Happenings in our local Church Community

No Youth Group. We will resume on January 13th.

Sunday School starts January 13th.

Annual Report Deadline, Thursday, January 10th, 2019

Church office hours are Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm.

The office will be closed January 1st and 3rd.

In case of an after hours emergency situation
please call Rev. Barbara J. Cairns at (902) 569-4259
or email barbarajcairns@gmail.com
