



## **Kirk News**

### **Welcome!**

We would like to welcome you to our service today. We are happy to have you and we hope that you will find our worship engaging and our community welcoming. We hope to see you again in the coming weeks.

### **Large Print Bulletins**

Large print bulletins are available at the main doors.



### **Nursery**

Nursery is available for children from birth to age four. Please feel free to make use of this area for whatever needs you have and if there is anything you require please ask our nursery attendants who will be happy to help you.

### **Children's Worship is Available!**

There is a children's worship class available downstairs for children ages 4 and up.

### **Receivers and Headphones Available**

We have an assisted hearing device installed and receivers and headphones are available for use during the Service. If you would like to use them, please speak to the person at the sound system.

### **Fellowship Time**

Please join us after the service in the Upper Hall for Fellowship Time with Rebecca Wellner & Barbara Holt as our hosts.

### **Pastoral Care**

If any pastoral care concerns arise then please contact Rev. Amanda at 902-894-5382, Linda Evans at 902-569-4749 or Glenda Montigny at 902-894-5127.

### **Presbyterian Message**

If anyone would like to order the Presbyterian Message for \$15 for 2024 then please contact the office at 902-892-2839.

### **Quilt Raffle**

Raffle Tickets are still available. Draw date is December 16. Please speak to any member of Session about purchasing 1 (for \$10) or 3 (for \$25), or the Church Office at 892-2839 or purchase online at <https://fundraiser.support/Kirk2023>.

### **Silent Auction**

The Silent Auction was a success again! Thank you to everyone who contributed items and to our bidders. Your generosity resulted in over \$2,500 raised for the Kirk.

### **Management Committee Meeting**

There will be a management committee meeting at the Kirk on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m.

### **Upper Room Soup Kitchen**

We will be serving at the Upper Room Soup Kitchen on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Don't miss the opportunity to prepare and serve a meal to those in need. We are in need of four volunteers and 12 dozen cookies. If you are able to assist, you can sign the lists at the table at the entrance of the Sanctuary, contact the office at [kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com](mailto:kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com), call 892-2839 or contact Michele Halliwell, Convener, Mission & Outreach, at [MicheleHalliwell@hotmail.com](mailto:MicheleHalliwell@hotmail.com).

### **Christmas Cream Tea**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. for the Kirk Christmas Cream Tea. Tickets are selling quickly. Contact the church office or the organizers: Katherine Burnett, Shauna Curley, Georgie Macmichael or Constance Robinson to purchase your ticket (\$25 each) or table of 4 (\$90).

We need a few decor items to decorate the Upper Hall. Please contact the church office or let any of the organizers know if you can loan or donate: *4-6 cup tea pots; artificial Christmas trees; tree stands; fairy lights (battery-operated is possible); sugar tongs.*

### **Art for Sale**

If anyone is interested in purchasing any of the art stored on the floor in the parlour (for the art or for the frames), a donation of \$10 for large frames or \$5 for small frames can be made (speak to Constance or David Robinson during fellowship after service or at the Kirk office during office hours). If donors of the art want to retrieve pieces, please do so by December 7. After that date, remaining pieces will be donated to a charity shop.



## Advent at the Kirk



### Advent 1 - Communion Sunday Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

As we begin the season of Advent, you are invited to join us for our Communion Service.

### Christmas Centrepiece Workshop & Yankee Swap Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

Rev. Amanda and Rebecca will be hosting a Natural Christmas Centrepiece Workshop & Yankee Swap to be held in the Kirk Hall on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The evening will begin with Christmas cheer & nibbles, followed by our Yankee Swap before we make our Christmas centrepieces. All materials are supplied/included. Participants need only bring their garden shears. Cost is \$60 to be paid by placing it in an envelope marked Centrepiece Workshop or directly to the Church Office or Rebecca. There will be a limited number of spots available so please sign-up quickly. To sign-up please sign the sheet at the entrance of the Sanctuary, contact the office at 892-2839 or [kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com](mailto:kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com). For information contact Rebecca Wellner at 569-2247 or [rebecca.wellner@gmail.com](mailto:rebecca.wellner@gmail.com).



### Advent 2 - Giving Sunday Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

We are taking part in two projects this year, the Salvation Army's Christmas Food Hampers Program and the Upper Room Christmas Bag Project. For more information please see the included announcements.



### Advent 3 - Christmas Nativity Story & Luncheon Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

Please join us as we retell the story of the first Christmas Night. Following the Nativity Story we will be having our Christmas Luncheon. We are asking people with last names that start with A-M to bring sandwiches and N-Z to bring sweets.



### Christmas Cream Tea Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 p.m.

We will be having our Christmas Cream Tea on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. There will be delectable scones, preserves, lemon curd, devonshire cream and assorted sweets accompanied by music and seasonal readings! To top it off there will be a door prize! To purchase tickets for \$25/seat or \$90/table of 4, please contact the office at 902-892-2839 or [kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com](mailto:kirkstjames@pei.aibn.com).



### Advent 4 Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.

Invite your friends and family to the Advent 4 service. We will also be having a baptism



### Christmas Eve Service Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

Please join us for our Christmas Eve Service of lessons and carols.



# Christmas Giving Projects 2023

During the upcoming Advent season we are called upon to pay it forward to a world desperate for the hope that we know in Christ. We are to offer the world the Good News that, through Christ's coming, there is hope, and there will be peace on earth, and joy and love enough for all! This year we are participating in two projects, the Salvation Army Christmas Food Hampers Program, and the Upper Room Christmas Bag Project. Any support you can offer is deeply appreciated.

## Mission & Outreach Christmas Project Upper Room Christmas Bag

As a continued effort to serve our community, we will once again be working with the Upper Room and taking part in their Christmas Bag project.

They have asked for donations of mitts & gloves, hats, scarves and toiletries. Also needed are gift cards for Dollarama, Giant Tiger, Walmart, and Tim's, in any denomination.

A basket will be available in the Sanctuary at the entrance to collect the items and gift cards. Please bring the items in by Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Let's make this Advent season a time of hope and joy by helping with this project!



## Christmas Food Hampers

As we did last year, to help us focus on making this Christmas one filled with giving, we have partnered with the Salvation Army, who have handed out hundreds of Christmas food hampers to families and individuals in need within our community. The Salvation Army is asking for monetary gifts that will be used towards the purchase of items needed for families in need to make a Christmas dinner. If you wish to make a donation, then please donate by using the Christmas Food Hampers envelope located on the pew hooks in the Sanctuary and placing it in the offering plate on Sunday or dropping it off to the Church Office by Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. We thank you for any help that you are able to give.

**Please note: your donation  
will be added to your annual tax receipt.**

# Poinsettia Plants



## We invite you to donate a Poinsettia Plant in Memory of a loved one this Christmas

We will use the flowers to decorate the sanctuary during the upcoming Christmas Season.



If you wish to purchase a plant for \$25 (tax included), please fill out the tear off form below and put in the offering plate or contact the Office directly. You can submit as many names as you like per plant.



All names must be received by  
Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

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