

**St. David's Presbyterian Church**  
**98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8**  
**December 20, 2015 11 a.m.**  
**Advent IV – Holy Communion**

**Enter to Praise God**

Prelude  
Entry of the Bible  
Introit: *Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming* (151 vv. 1, 2, 3)  
Advent liturgy & Candle lighting: **Love Leslie Stuckless and Marcella**  
Hymn: **#142 I wonder as I wander**  
Prayer of Approach, Confession, Assurance of Pardon  
Anthem: *Silent is the Night* by Jay Althouse  
Children's Hymn: **#146 Angels from the Realms of Glory**  
Children's Time and Prayer

**The Word of God Proclaimed**

Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture Readings: Micah 5: 2 – 5a (p. 1389) Penney Gillies  
Hebrews 10: 5 – 10 (p.1785)  
Luke 1:46b-55 (responsive) (p.1523)  
Luke 1:26-38 (pp.1522-1523)  
Hymn: **#161 What Child is this?**  
Sermon: *"All I Want for Christmas is You"*

**Responding to the Word**

Offering, Offertory Prayer of Dedication, Doxology Hymn # 79  
Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

The Nicene Creed # 578  
Hymn: **#528 Jesus calls us here to meet him**  
Book of Praise # 564 Communion Service

**Depart to Serve**

Hymn: **#134 Lord, you were rich**  
Benediction  
Choral Amen

We **WELCOME** everyone to our worship today and pray that this hour might be one of refreshment and spiritual joy. Please make yourself known to us by signing our register near the church door as you enter our sanctuary. A **CRECHE** for infants and toddlers, staffed by volunteers, is available through the door nearest the Memorial Tree of Life. A **Fellowship Time** is held after worship in the Hall. Please come and join us.

We would like to **thank** Leslie Stuckless and Marcella for reading the Advent Liturgy and lighting the candle.

Today we are celebrate the Sacrament of **Holy Communion**.

Our condolences and prayers are with Lillian Crawford and family on the passing of her sister **Sylvia Thornhill**.

A donation has been given to the **Memorial Fund** in memory of the Hodder/Pike families by Marjorie Pike.

**Flowers** have been placed in the Sanctuary in loving memory of Blanche and Roy Chancey and Rita and Fred Stevens by the Emberleys.

A **donation** has been given in to the Memorial Fund, in Memory of Alma, Hugh and Douglas Hamlyn by Sandra Hamlyn.

To the Glory of God, and as a memorial to **Harold Hammond**, Millie and John have made a contribution to the Choral scholar fund for 2015.

**Syrian Refugee update.**

We are pleased to say that our Syrian family of 4 will be arriving in the coming weeks. The schedule is a bit uncertain, but it could be soon! We have support groups in place for their various needs, and are keen to help them transition to a healthier, safer life in Canada. Members of St. Andrew's and St. David's congregations can make donations to the CHOSN fund (Churches Helping Our Syrian Neighbours) through regular church envelopes (noted appropriately) or through the church office directly. These donations will be blended into a dedicated project account for the family support. With year-end fast approaching, it's a good time to make donations for the 2015 tax year. We very much look forward to seeing this mission project move forward, with the enthusiastic support of the project volunteers and the local Presbyterian community

St. David's is a lively congregation of people from many backgrounds, young and old, from Newfoundland, from mainland Canada and other places around the world. A very old congregation, begun in 1775 as "The Dissenting Church of Christ at St. John's", it became part of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in 1938, and took the name St. David's in 1959.

Our historic roots nourish a mission-minded, scripture based church which seeks to express the faith for the modern day. Our aim is to foster a welcoming, loving and joyous spiritual community where all worshippers feel comfort and enjoyment.

**Church activities – Newcomers welcome**

Board of Managers fourth Wednesday of every Month

Session every 3rd Tuesday of every Month

Prayer Shawl Ministry 1st Tuesday of every month @10 am

AMS 2nd Sunday afternoon of every Month @ 12 :30

WA last Tuesday of every Month @ 12 noon

Food for Thought Tuesdays @ 7-9 :30 pm (71 Stirling Crescent)

Women's Bible Study Wednesday Mornings @ 11 :45 (Lori Kim den Otter)

Quilter Group, Willing hands Wednesday afternoons @ 1:30 pm

Good Companions (Seniors Group) Thursday afternoons @ 2:00 pm

Choir practice Thursdays Evenings @ 7:30 pm

Bible study Sunday mornings @ 9:30 am

Call the Church Office for more details 722-2382

Minister: Rev. Dr. Jonathan Dent

Music Director: Brian Way

Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford

Manager on Duty: Anne Calver

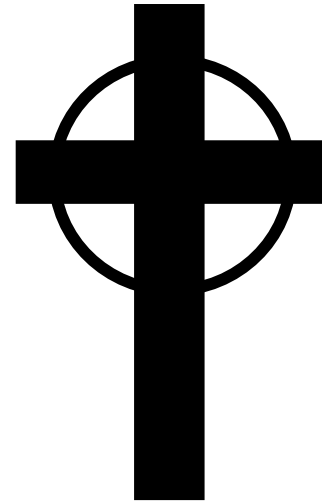
Elder on Duty: Penny Gillies

Church Administrator: Monica McNeill

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**St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador  
Congregation founded in 1775**