

**St. David's Presbyterian Church**  
**98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8**  
**December 4, 2016 11 a.m. Service**  
**Advent II**

Entry of the Bible

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship:

L: Let us glorify God for endless mercy.

**Many: We sing to God's name.**

L: Rejoice, all peoples!

**Many: We praise God with every voice!**

L: Now may the God of hope fill us all with joy and peace and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Advent Liturgy and lighting of the Candle Sheena Findlay

Hymn: # 43 **God's name will forever shall endure**

Prayer of Approach, Confession, Prayer for Pardon

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Hymn: #665 **Give me oil in my lamp**

Children's Time and Prayer

**The Word of God Proclaimed**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10 (p.1035)

Romans 15:4-13 (p.1692)

Psalms 72: 1-7, 18-19 (responsive) (p.868)

Matthew 13:11-23 (p.1455)

Sermon: *How does your garden grow?*

Hymn: #119 **Hope is a star**

**Responding to the Word**

Offertory Prayer of Dedication, Doxology hymn #79

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

**Depart to Serve**

Hymn: #22 **Oh come Oh come Emmanuel**

Choral Amen

Postlude

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.

**Reverse Advent Calendar** Dini den Otter introduced a new AMS project for our congregation – the Reverse Advent Calendar. Here's what to do If you would like to participate: Get yourself a box, and every day from now until Dec 10, add one item that would be useful to someone in need – non-perishable food items, socks, toiletries, or even special treats for Christmas such as chocolate or small gift items. Then on Dec 11, White Gift Sunday, bring the box to church and we will use/distribute all these “extras” as we assemble our annual Christmas Hampers. Thank you for your continued support of all our various projects as we seek to help in our own community.

The **Sunday School Christmas Pageant** is on Sunday, December 11th. The dress rehearsal is on Saturday, December 10th at 10am in the sanctuary. Please contact Amy Palmer for more details:  
[amyralmer@gmail.com](mailto:amyralmer@gmail.com).

**Food for Thought** Our last FFT for 2016 will be on December 6th at 71 Stirling Cres at 7pm for food, music and a gift exchange. Thank you for some great discussions on the book of Revelation (God is in control! Hold on and stand firm!) and blessings on your exams!

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry** will be holding its monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in the Armour Room.

This is a reminder to the **Association members** of the AMS that their donations are due. The treasurer, Bouwina Fogwill, or any member of the AMS will gladly accept them.

**The St. David's AMS** will be holding their annual Advent Service on Tuesday December 13th at 7:30pm. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served after the service in the Armour Room.

**For Pastoral Care, please call Rev. Derek Krunys at 687-7742.**

# Advent and Christmas Services

## St. David's Presbyterian Church

**November 27 – First Sunday of Advent**  
**AMS doing the service**  
**Advent Lunch**

**December 4 – Second Sunday in Advent**

**December 11 – Third Sunday in Advent**  
**Pageant and White Gift**

**December 13 – AMS Service 7:30 pm**

**December 18 – Fourth Sunday in Advent**  
**Communion with Rev. Krunys**  
**Choir and TSO**

**December 24 - Christmas Eve Services**  
**6:30 pm Family Service**  
**(St. David's)**  
**11:30 pm Candlelight Service**  
**(joint service at St. Andrew's)**

**December 25 - Christmas Day**  
**(joint service at St. David's)**

Actual 2015/01/01 to 2015/11/30	Percent	Budget 2016/01/01 to 2016/11/30	Actual 2016/01/01 to 2016/11/30	Percent
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**NOTE : Positive percentages indicate below budget**

Offering Status to Nov 30, 2016					
Total Current	135,890.23	0.08	138,754.01	122,201.51	13.55
Pres. Sharing - Total	19,445.84	-18.82	15,228.00	14,629.65	4.09
Building - Total	12,171.38	-26.20	8,982.50	8,157.45	10.11

Above is a summary of where we are with our Offerings to date.  
 Our plan is to provide this information monthly going forward.  
 – Steve Andrews for Board of Managers.

**Worship Leader: Samuel Johnson**  
**Music Director: Jenny Griffioen**  
**Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford**  
**Manager on Duty: Anne Calver**  
**Elder on Duty: Kathy McKay**  
**Church Administrator: Monica McNeill**  
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 Defibrillator (AED)! It is located on the wall just outside the  
 Church Office***