St. David's Presbyterian Church 98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8 January 15, 2017

Enter to Praise God

Instrumental Prelude Entry of the Bible Announcements Introit: Your faithfulness, O Lord, is sure. Call to Worship: Psalm 103 Leader: Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. People: Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, Leader: who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, People: who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. Leader: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. People: He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: Leader: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

Hymn of Praise: **#337** Eternal, unchanging, we sing to your praise Prayer of Approach, Confession, Assurance of Pardon The Lord's Prayer

Anthem: God of Love, God of Peace by Mozart arr. By Hal Hopson Children's Hymn: **#348 Tell me the stories of Jesus** Children's Time and Prayer

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination Scripture Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7 (p.1095) Aubrey Bonnell 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (p.1696) Psalm 40:1-11 (responsive) (p839) John 1:29-42 (p.1578) Hymn: **#240 Rock of ages** Sermon: "The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world"

Responding to the Word

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

Depart to Serve

Hymn: **# 637 Take my life and let it be** Benediction Choral Amen Instrumental 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.

Sunday School needs your empties! We are hoping to collect some empty and cleaned 500mL clear plastic bottles to make a "Message in a Bottle" craft. Please bring them in to the upper Sunday School room by January 22, 2017. Thank-you.

St David's is looking to fill a sponsored job position of Preschool Leader. In summary, the preschool leader will oversee and facilitate the teaching and care of children from birth to age 3 during the Worship Service hour on Sundays from September to June. This includes arriving early before class time, preparing the classroom with activities, stories and songs and ensuring all necessary supplies are available and tidy. The leader will be responsible for recording attendance, caring for the children and nurturing faith in children by being a trustworthy adult. If you are interested in applying for this position or know someone that may be suitable and interested please contact the church office by email (stdavids@nfld.com), phone (722-2382) or in person for more information.

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

Based on a unanimous recommendation from the **Search Committee**, Session has invited David Sturtevant to preach for the call on Sunday, 22 January 2017.

David comes from Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, and is currently living in Montreal with his wife Michelle. He graduated from Presbyterian College in Montreal last spring. Prior to that he attended Wilfred Laurier University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and Philosophy.

After the interview process and prayerful consideration, your Search committee believes that David's combination of skills, interests and experience make him the ideal candidate to match the needs, missions and activities of our current congregation.

David and Michelle will be visiting St. John's next weekend. During their visit, they will meet with several of our church groups, socialize with us, and have some time to explore on their own.

Following the social hour on Sunday there will be a congregational meeting to vote on calling David to become our minister. At that time, we will review the process we followed to get us to this point and answer any questions you have.

Please have a look at the schedule (other side) and come along to some of the events. If you are not in any of the groups listed, you are still invited (and encouraged!) to come along to the Saturday potluck, Sunday coffee, and Sunday congregational meeting. And of course, please come to the service on Sunday! David and Michelle Sturtevant - Visit Schedule:

Thursday, Jan 19

2:45 - Good Companions

7:30 - Choir

Friday, Jan 20

5:00 Search Committee

Saturday, Jan 21 (all events at St. David's)

10:00 - Session

11:00 – Board of Managers

12:00 – 2:00 Potluck Lunch – Everyone Welcome (contributions to the potluck gratefully accepted)

2:00 – AMS/WA

Sunday, Jan 22

11:00 – Worship service led by David Sturtevant

- 12:00 Light lunch/coffee hour
 - Congregational meeting and vote

5:00 – Food For Thought (Palmer-Munroe home)

If you have any questions about these events, the search process or the visit in general, please contact your elder or any member of the search committee: Steve Bruneau, Amy Palmer, Kyle Sampson, Janet Calver, Lillian Crawford, Hans/Marcella Rollmann, Lori-Kim/Marijke den Otter.

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.

<u>Church activities – Newcomers welcome</u> 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 Cresent) 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. Jim Russell Music Director: Brian Way Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford Manager on Duty: Rollmann Family Elder on Duty: Aubrey Bonnell Church Administrator: Monica McNeill

In case of emergency, St. David's has an Automated External Defibrillator (AED)! It is located on the wall just outside the Church Office St. David's Presbyterian Church ~Welcomes All ~



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