St. David's Presbyterian Church 98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8 March 19, 2017 3rd Sunday in Lent

Instrumental Prelude Entry of the Bible Announcements Edict of Induction: Kathy McKay Lenten Liturgy: Sylvia Hudson Call to worship: Psalm 95 Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. People: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; People: for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care. All: Let us worship God Opening Worship: Great are you Lord **Mighty to Save** At the cross Prayer of Approach, Confession, Assurance of Pardon The Lord's Prayer Hymn: #292 Father, I adore you Children's Time and Prayer

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination Scripture Readings: Exodus 17:1-7 (p.107) Janet Calver Romans 5:1-11 (p.1678) Psalm 95 (responsive) (p.894) John 4: 5-42 9 (p.1584)

Meditation: *"How to Lose a gift"* Hymn: **#198 I hunger and I thirst**

Responding to the Word

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

Depart to Serve

Closing Song: **Sing Hosanna** 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.

<u>THANK-YOU</u>: We would like to thank the band for leading the worship this morning.

ANNUAL REPORT AND MEETING: The Annual Report is now ready, if you did not pick one up last week, please pick up a copy in the Narthex and bring it to the Annual Meeting today after the service.

TAX RECEIPTS: The Tax Receipts are available in the Narthex, please pick them up by today as the remainder will be mailed on Monday.

<u>ELDERS TRAINING</u>: An elders training day will take place 10am – 3pm at St. David's Saturday March 25. Rev. Dr. Marion Barclay-MacKay will facilitate this event, providing the Sessions of our presbytery with ideas for visitation, worship leadership, and their role within the life of the church. It is hoped that the majority of the Session may be present as we seek God's inspiration together.

<u>JOINT SERVICE</u>: Following the workshops Saturday, Marion will lead the congregations of this presbytery in worship 11am, Sunday March 26 at St. Andrew's, sharing some insight with all of us on the role of an elders in todays church. We will reaffirm the work done by our Sessions, and pray for all the elders within our presbytery that day.

<u>PASTORAL CARE:</u> For Pastoral care, please call Rev. Sturtevant at 722-2382 or 699-3661.

Edict of Induction (Word and Sacraments)

The Presbytery of Newfoundland, having completed the necessary steps for the Ordination and Induction of David Sturtevant called to be Minister of this congregation notice is hereby given that the said Presbytery will meet in Armour Room on the 26th day of March in the year 2017, at 6:30pm, for the purpose of inducting the said David Sturtevant into the pastoral charge of this congregation, and notice is hereby given to all concerned that if any of them have any objection to offer to the life or doctrine of the said David Sturtevant, they may repair to the Presbytery, which is to meet at the time and place aforesaid, with certification that if no valid objection be then made, the Presbytery shall proceed without further delay. By order of the Presbytery of Newfoundland.

An Interim Moderator's Note. In English, for those who don't speak old Presbyterian, this is basically saying that this is your last chance to raise any objections to David being confirmed as your minister by the Presbytery – to which I sincerely hope there are none. I am looking forward to celebrating this new chapter in your lives together, as the formal welcome to David takes place that evening. Wishing you every blessing as you grow in Christ together, Derek.

INDUCTION SERVICE: Fill out a busy weekend, the Induction service for Rev. David Sturtevant, the new minister at St. David's, will take place at St. David's 7pm Sunday March 26. We are all invited to this Presbytery event, to meet the newest Presbyterian minister, who will share the work in our fair city.

PRESBYTERY: The Presbytery will be holding a meeting in the Armour Room on March 27th.

CANADIAN BIBLE SOCIETY: Thank-you to the members of the congregation who continue to contribute to the Canadian Bible Society Used Stamp Program. We would especially like to thank Mr. Hector Parsons, Patsy Carmichael's brother, for his generous donation of 9lbs. of stamps. These were delivered to the CBS office in November. Bibles from the Used Stamp Program continue to be distributed in Prison Ministry.

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 Thursday 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 Women's Bible Study Fridays @ noon (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

Call the Church Office for more details 722-2382

Worship Leader: Rev. David Sturtevant Music Director: Brian Way Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford Manager on Duty: Anne Calver Elder on Duty: Janet Calver 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





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