

**St. David's and St. Andrew's  
Presbyterian Churches  
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8  
July 23, 2017**

Instrumental Prelude

Entry of the Bible

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Where can we go that is far from God's spirit? Where could we flee that is outside God's love?

**All: When we are on the highest mountaintops, God is there.**

**When we lie in the darkest pits, God finds us!**

One: No matter where we go, no matter what we do...

**All: We are held fast in God's loving arms.**

Hymn of Praise: #314 God is love: come heaven, adoring

Prayer of Approach

Unison prayer of Confession:

**The truth of our life is this:**

**We are foolish and neglect to seek your wisdom;**

**We are caught in our stubbornness and fail to follow your way;**

**We are selfish and disregard our call to love;**

**We are trapped by anxiety and forget how to rest in your presence.**

**Forgive who we have been, amend who we are, and direct who we shall be. O God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Hymn: #410 Joyful, Joyful, we adore you

Children's Time and Prayer

**The Word of God Proclaimed**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Genesis 28:10-19a (p.48)

Romans 8:12-25 (p.1682)

Psalms 139:1-12 (p.934)

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (p.1456)

Hymn: #195 Come ye disconsolate

Sermon: *"Why we shouldn't use Roundup"*

**Responding to the Word**

Offering, Offertory Prayer of Dedication, Doxology Hymn #79

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

**Depart to Serve**

Hymn: #786 O day of God, draw nigh

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 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.

**SERVICES FOR AUGUST:** Joint services for the month of August will be conducted at St. Andrew's Presbytertian Church, 76 Queen's Road. Services start at 11 am Sunday morning.

**PASTORAL CARE:** For Pastoral care, please call Rev. Sturtevant at 722-2382 or 699-3661.

**BAG TO SCHOOL** Each year Bridges to Hope provides curriculum based school supplies and school bags to North East Avalon students in kindergarten to high school and Adult Basic Education. The filled backpacks are distributed to community members through service organizations, Community Centres, and Bridges to Hope. Many of these students would not be able to put together a full complement of school supplies without the **Bag to School** program.

In 2016 Bridges to Hope provided over 750 school bags to students who otherwise would not have been adequately equipped to start a new school year. Being ready to start in September allows all students to feel good about education and learning.

This year, Bridges to Hope is once again reaching out to our faith based community with a request for specific school supplies and are asking for donations of **Pencil Cases for St. David's and St. Andrew's have been asked to bring pencils and pens.** We are hoping you can help us to help students get a good start in 2017. Thank you for your continued support.

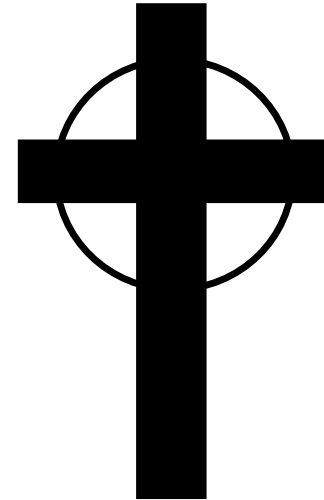
St. David's is a lively congregation of people from many backgrounds, young and old, from Newfoundland, from mainland Canada and other places around the world. A very old congregation, begun in 1775 as "The Dissenting Church of Christ at St. John's", it became part of the Presbyterian Church in Canada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

Call the Church Office for more details 722-2382

Minister: Rev. David Sturtevant  
Music Director: Brian Way  
Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford  
Manager on Duty: Andrea Crosbie  
Elder on Duty: Lillian Crawford  
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**