

St. David's Presbyterian Church
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8
December 31, 2017

Instrumental Prelude
Entry of the Bible
Announcements

Call to Worship

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—

Leader: who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases,

People: who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion,

Leader: who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Together: Praise the LORD, my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Hymn of Praise: #122 **Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel**

Prayer of Approach, Prayer of confession, Assurance of Pardon
The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #136 **"The First Noel"**
Children's Time and Prayer

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 61:10-62:3 (Page 1116)

Responsive Psalm 148 (Page 942)

Galatians 4:1-7 (Page 1736)

Luke 2:21-40 (Pages 1525 - 1526)

Hymn: #165 **"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"**

Sermon: *"Do not be afraid, I bring you Good News"*

Responding to the Word

Offering, Offertory Prayer of Dedication, Doxology Hymn #79

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Depart to Serve

Closing Hymn: # 148 **"It came upon the midnight clear"**

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.

Minister: Rev. David Sturtevant

Music Director: Brian Way

Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford

Manager on Duty: Anne Calver

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Coffee Time Volunteers Needed: Thank - you to all who hosted coffee hour during the fall. All supplies for coffee hour are in the kitchen----coffee, tea, milk, juice & cookies.

Tonya Bassler -Our sympathy goes out to the Bassler Family on the passing of Tonya Bassler on December 27,2017. Visitation will be held at Carnell's Funeral Home, 329 Freshwater Road on Friday, December 29th from 7 – 9 pm and Saturday, December 30th from 2 – 4 and 7 – 9 pm. Funeral Service will be held on Monday, January 1st, 2018 at 2:00 pm from St. David's Presbyterian Church with interment to follow at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Terry Fox Foundation for Cancer Research or the Palliative Care Unit, L.A. Miller Centre, St. John's. To send a message of condolence, please visit www.carnells.com

Memorial Donation- A donation has been made by David and Sylvia Hudson in memory of Hugh, Alma and Ian Douglas Hamlyn.

Financial Report for Presbyterian Sharing & Presbyterian World Service & Development

Budget:	\$ 17,611	\$ 2,000
Actual to date:	\$ 14,705	\$ 2,269

Thank you all for your generosity throughout the year. Anything extra you can contribute to close the gap on Presbyterian Sharing on the last Sunday of the year will be greatly appreciated. Any difference will be made up from current account funds. **NOTE: Any cheques submitted for inclusion in the 2017 charitable donation year must be dated in 2017.**

A Happy & Blessed New Year to one and all!
Steve Andrews, Treasurer
On behalf of the Board of Managers

St. David's History Book – 1975 was the 200th anniversary of our Congregation. At that time, the Rev. James S. S. Armour established a "History Committee" to write the history of our Congregation. The result of this was the book "**The Dissenting Church of Christ at St. John's**". Jim Steele is looking for a copy of the book and is wondering if anyone has a copy that is not being used. If you do have a copy of the book, please contact Jim Steele.

Offering Envelopes – The offering envelopes for 2018 are now available for pick up. They are located on the table in the Narthex. Please remember to pick up your box on Sunday.

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

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 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 4th Thursday of every Month

Session 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

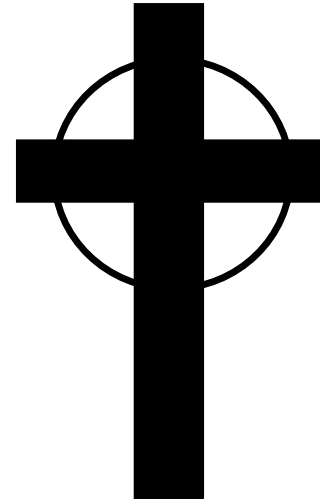
Women's Bible Study Wednesdays @ noon (Lori Kim den Otter)

Quilter Group, Willing Hands Wednesday Afternoons @ 1:00 pm

Good Companions (Seniors) Thursday Afternoons @ 2:00 pm

Choir practice Thursdays Evening @ 7:30 pm

Call the Church Office for more details 722-2382



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~Welcomes All~



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