

St. David's Presbyterian Church
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8
May 13, 2018
Christian Family Sunday

Instrumental Prelude
Announcements
Entry of the Bible

Call to worship: Psalm 68:32-35

Leader: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.

All: Sing praise to the Lord.

Leader: To him who rides the ancient skies above,

All: who thunders with mighty voice.

Leader: Proclaim the power of God

All: whose majesty is over Israel, whose power is in the skies.

Leader: You are awesome, O God, in your sanctuary;

All: The God of Israel gives power and strength to his people. Praise be to God!

Opening hymn: **#401 O Spirit of the Living God**

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

Children's Hymn: **#73 Jesus Bids Us Shine**
Baptism
Children's Time and Prayer

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Sheena Findlay
Acts 8:26-40 (p.1633)
Psalm 22:25-31 (p.821)
1 John 4: 7-21 (p.1819)
John 15:1-8 (p.1606)

Hymn: **#389 Breathe on Me Breath of God**

Sermon: *"Empowered by the Spirit"*

Responding to the Word

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

Depart to Serve

Closing Hymn: **#765 We've a Story to Tell to the Nations**

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 **Nursery** for infants and toddlers is available through the door at the front right hand side of the Sanctuary. A **Fellowship Time** is held after worship in the Hall. Please come and join us.

There is additional parking available for Sunday Mornings next door at Elizabeth Tower's parking lot and across the street at the English School District parking lot.

BAPTISM: Today we celebrate the sacrament of **Holy Baptism of Oliver James Sturtevant with Rev. David and Michelle Sturtevant and Madison Elizabeth Earle and Dawson David Earle with Jamie and Kelly Earle.** We welcome Oliver, Madison and Dawson to our church family!

May 13: International Day of Families (May 15)

When families are able to form safe and nurturing relationships, meet their basic needs and lift each other up, it can have a significant impact on a country's well-being and development. On the International Day of Families, we reflect on the importance of responding to families facing hunger, poverty and injustice across the globe. The compassionate youth at Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Beaconsfield, QC know how important it is to empower vulnerable families to achieve their full potential. The group filled a piggy bank with \$144 for PWS&D's Farming for the Future Sunday School Challenge, which equips rural families in Guatemala with seeds, tools and training to improve their food security and nutrition.

PWS&D connects Canadians to the needs of families across the globe

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Flowers: Flowers have been placed in the Sanctuary in memory of Mom, Effie Barnes from Janet and Doug.

Thank-you: We would like to thank the Choir for all their hard work and dedication this year and look forward to seeing them again in September!

Session: The Session will be meeting on Tuesday, May 15 @ 7:30 pm in the Armour Room.

TSO: The Tenacious String Orchestra is very grateful for the continuing hospitality of St David's over the past decade. As well as our own musical growth, we have enjoyed contributing to Advent, and more recently Easter, services of the church. The end of our season approaches, and we finish by playing for family and friends -- including the St David's congregation. We would be delighted to see you on the evening of Monday 28 May, starting at 7:30, for a free concert followed by light refreshments.

Food for Thought - Food for Thought is continuing to meet on Tuesday nights at 71 Stirling Cres from 7-9:30pm until May 22nd. We will finish the study on the kings of Judah and Israel and wrap up with a social on the last day. Thank you to Kyle Sampson, Lori-Kim den Otter-Versteeg, and Sheena Findlay for the meal provisions in April. If you are able to offer a meal for May 8th or 15th, please contact Amy Palmer at amyralmer@gmail.com

Children's Ministry: Training and Info Sessions: June 7, 7-7:45pm Helping kids stay safe. For all parents and children's ministry volunteers. This training will review the signs and symptoms of child abuse, how to respond when a child discloses abuse or neglect, followed by a brief Q&A time
June 7, 7:45-8:30pm VBS Polar Blast: Where Jesus' Love is Cool: For all summer VBS volunteers. This time will be used to review the VBS summer program, distribute materials and preparation for the summer even

Supplies and Skills Needed for summer VBS program:

Carpentry Skills: We are in need of three, stand-alone, wooden crosses approximately 3-4 ft tall to be constructed

White Bedsheets: We are in need of 5 white old bedsheets that can be used for games

Large Cardboard Boxes: We need large cardboard boxes (ex. shipping boxes, moving boxes), that will be turned into giant ice block/ice cubes for our polar-themed stations
Please contact Diana W at diana.wamsteeker@gmail.com at to RSVP to the training, and if you can help with some of the above supplies. Thanks!

Coffee Time: Thank-you to all members of the congregation who have helped with coffee hour. It is a wonderful time of fellowship.
We will continue to keep the roster in the kitchen to sign if you can help. All supplies are in the kitchen, coffee, tea juice, milk & cookies.

Plant Sale - As a sign that spring and hence summer cannot be too far distant, we have set a date for the Plant sale. It is June 2nd. We will be reminding you of this in May but this is just a "head's up"

Bridges to Hope: Save the date Sat., June 16th Last year's **Backyard Benefit for Bridges to Hope** was such a success that we're doing it again this year! This summer, we will be coming together to help those in our community who need an extra hand. We invite you to join us and enjoy entertainment, games, and a lovely meal, all a wonderful cause. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

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

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 @ 1:00pm

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

Choir practice Thursdays Evening @ 7:30 pm

Call the Church Office for more details 722-2382

Minister: Rev. David Sturtevant

Music Director: Brian Way

Session Clerk: Lillian Crawford

Manager on Duty: Mary Bruneau and Kyle Sampson

Elder on Duty: Lori Kim and Andy den Otter

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

Community Announcements

The Great Big Book Sale is May 14-16. *New location:* St. John's Curling Club (ReMax Centre) 135 Mayor Avenue.

Proceeds from the annual book sales go towards community outreach and scholarships. www.cfuwstjohns.org

Three Flipper Dinners - Wesley Church Wesley United Church will be holding three separate Flipper Dinners (with dessert, tea & coffee), on Thursday, May 10th, Thursday, May 24th and Thursday, June 7th, all at 6:00 pm. Eat in only, there are no takeouts available. Tickets are \$25 and will only be valid on the night for which they are purchased. Call Phoebe Sheppard at 726-1689, Joan Strickland at 368-0434 or the Church office at 579-3682.

The Blue Door is having a 5/10k walk and run as a fundraiser. The Blue Door works "to support individuals, primarily between the ages of 14-29, to exit sex trade activities, and/or sexually exploitative situations including trafficking." The run begins at 9 AM, Saturday May 26th, at Bowring Park Fountain pond. For more information, go to <https://verafin.com/BlueDoor>.