

St. David's Presbyterian Church
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8
May 20, 2018
Pentecost/Reconciliation Sunday

Instrumental Prelude
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Entry of the Bible

Call to worship:

One: Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,
All: So that our thought will be inspired by you.
One: Act in us, Holy Spirit,
All: So that our actions may be holy.
One: Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,
All: So that we may love what is holy.
One: Strengthen us, Holy Spirit,
All: So that we may serve in ways that are holy.
One: Breathe in us, Holy Spirit,
All: So that our lives may be holy. Let us worship God.

Opening hymn: **#274 Crown him with many crowns**

Prayer of Approach

Unison prayer of Confession:

Holy and gracious God,
We confess that we have not always listened
for the voice of your Spirit
calling us to seek you and follow your way.
Too often we claim the name of Christ,
but act by the standards of this world.
You created us to love and serve you,
but we ignore your claim on our life.
Stir in our hearts and lives to transform who we are
and direct who we shall be.

The Lord's Prayer, Assurance of Pardon,

Children's Hymn: **#400 Spirit of the living God**

Children's Time and Prayer

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Dini den Otter
Ezekiel 37:1-14 (p.1295)

Psalm 104:24-35 (p.902)

John 15:26-16:15 (p.1607)

Acts 2:1-21 (p.1620)

Hymn: **#395 Fire of God, O sacred flame**

Sermon: *"Fire and flame"*

Responding to the Word

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

Depart to Serve

Closing Hymn: **#712 Arise, your light is come**

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.

May 20: Medical ministry in Nepal "We serve, Jesus heals" is the motto of Tansen Mission Hospital in western Nepal, which serves a population of one million. Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Dr. Nicholas Bauman, a surgeon appointed to the United Mission to Nepal. As part of the Tansen Hospital medical and surgical team, made up of Nepali and international physicians, Nick responds to referrals for gynecology, urology, and abdominal problems. Nick also teaches post-graduate students enrolled in the Medical Doctorate in General Practice. He shares, "Our faith community has always stressed the importance of mission, particularly the sense that our lives are not our own, but are gifts, and that we are entrusted by God to be stewards of this gift." Nick is joined in Nepal by his wife Becky and their four children.

Presbyterians Sharing supports international mission staff

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Board of Managers: The BOM will be meeting on Wednesday, May 23 @ 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 amyralpalmer@gmail.com

Polar Blast VBS: VBS still requires a carpenter to create three, stand-alone crosses. We also need volunteers to help on July 26 & 27 with the children. Please contact Diana W if you are able to lend a hand with these two opportunities.

Children's Ministry Training: June 7, 7-7:45 Helping Kids Stay Safe, June 7, 7:45-8:30 VBS Polar Blast. Please contact Diana W for more information and to RSVP if you are attending.

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: Tanya Shalaby

Elder on Duty: Dini 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 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>.

St. John's Choir - Sing Into Spring The St. John's Choir "Sing Into Spring" concert will take place Sunday, June 03 at 7:30 pm (doors open at 7:00) at George St United Church. Tickets are \$20.00 each, contact Linda at 709 579-6585, Paulette at 709 747-4760 or email

- stjohnschoir.info@gmail.com. Special guests are PWC concert choir and Trinitas. All are welcome.

Celebration of St. Augustine of Canterbury St. Augustine's will host a week-long Revival Service starting on **Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018 at 7:00 pm**, to honour our patron saint, **St Augustine of Canterbury**. On **Tuesday, May 22nd**, the Revival Service will begin with the Salvation Army's Pastor Erica White & Band, on **Wednesday, May 23rd**, the service will be with the Pentecostal's Pastor Stephen Grimes & Band, on **Thursday, May 24th**, the service will be with the Roman Catholic's Priest, Fr. Joe Mroz & The Living Waters Band. **Sunday, May 27th**, Archdeacon Sam Rose will preach at the 10:30am Sunday service to commentate the week-long celebrations along with The International Gospel Choir of NL who will provide music for that 10:30am service. We also want to recognize the 50th anniversary of the construction of St. Augustine Church's building.

The 2018 Arrupe Lecture at St. Bonaventure's College featuring Special Guest **Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ**, humanitarian and founder of Homeboy Industries, the largest and most successful gang rehabilitation centre in the world.

Tuesday, May 29th, at 7pm at St. Bonaventure's College.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at the school or by contacting Jessica Whalen at (709) 726-0024 Ext. 228 or jwhalen@stbons.ca.

Visit www.stbons.ca/ for more information.

Gower Street UCW are hosting their Spring Tea & Sale (baked goods, handcrafts, preserves, grab bags, new-to-you or lightly used items, no flea market) on Saturday, June 2nd from 2:00-4:00 p.m in the Lecture Hall, back entrance Admission: \$7:00 Tickets available at the door

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.