St. David's and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Churches 98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8 July 9, 2017

Prelude

Entry of the Bible Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: We are here this morning to celebrate something wonderful:

All: Jesus said: "I am the light of the world".

One: We are here to learn about the life of Christ, because Jesus is the light!

All: Follow him!

Hymn of Praise: He is the Light

Prayer of Approach

Unison prayer of Confession:

God, sometimes we make mistakes.

We get angry, and we hurt people with our words or our actions.

We know how to be good, but sometimes we do not live the way you want us to.

Lord, please forgive us for our sins. Give us new hearts, and teach us to be more like Jesus.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: You Forgive Me

Object lesson

The Word of God Proclaimed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: Jonah 3 (p.1382) Acts 9:1-8,17-19 (p.1634) Responsive Psalm 116:1-9 (p.915) Mark 5:24b-34 (p.1576)

Hymn: **#773 Jesus bids us shine** Sermon: *"The speed of light"*

Responding to the Word

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

Depart to Serve

Hymn: **The Golden Rule** 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.

NEWS FROM ST. ANDREW'S Alix Howson and family are delighted to share the news that Christina Pratt and Kyle Kendall were married on July 3, 2017 in Calgary, AB.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: VBS was a huge success! Thanks to all the volunteers who helped in all sorts of roles, we had 30 children attend the program on July 6&7, 2017. This wonderful outreach event could not have happened without so much congregational support! The children had an engaging time with music, games, crafts and learning about Jesus. Thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers!

Stayed tuned for the upcoming 2017/2018 Sunday School Program "Dig into the Life of Jesus!" to see how we can continue to help our youngest attendees learn more about Jesus and deepen their faith walk with him.

MEMORIAL SERVICES: General Protestant cemetery, Topsail Rd., Monday, July 17th at 7 pm.

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



We know summer has just begun ... but it is not too early to start thinking about

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.

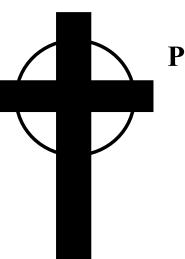
This year, Bridges to Hope is once again reaching out to our faith based community with a request for specific school supplies and are asking for donations of **Pencil Cases**. We are hoping you can help us to help students get a good start in 2017.

St. Andrew's have been asked to bring pencils and pens.

Thank you for your continued support.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE – You will notice if you come in via the side entrance that there is new door bell and a couple of signs saying "Smile, you are under video surveillance". The Board of Managers approved this installation some months ago. The Ring door bell will allow our administrator to know who is at the door when she is there on her own, allow the minister to do the same even if he is not at the church and will capture images of anyone who might be up to no good when the church is not in use. The only access to the video recordings is from the smart phones of the authorized users who currently are Monica, Rev. David and myself. If you have any questions of concerns, please feel free to contact me at your convenience. Regards, Steve Andrews for the Board of Managers 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.



St. David's Presbyterian Church ~Welcomes All ~

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