



Sunday July 19 2020

This Sunday's Service will be available on Sunday, and can be found on our YouTube channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFCfIHeNnDk-dINWCrfNdag>

Or by typing "St. David's Presbyterian Message for July 19, 2020" into Google. This Sunday the scripture reading is:

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

Church Office Hours: Rev. David is at the church Tuesday – Friday, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM, should you need to drop by.

Prayer Partnership: The Presbyterian Church in Canada offers a prayer partnership that may form part of a daily devotional, please consider these prayer partnerships:

Sunday, July 19 We pray for those who work in fields and forests, in mines and offices, in hospitals, schools and shops; and for those who cannot find work: that as the economy is reorganized, all who do work will be fairly treated and those seeking work will not lose hope.

Monday, July 20 We give thanks for Louise Gamble as she returns to Owen Sound, Ont., after serving 13 years as a volunteer with the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan.

Tuesday, July 21 We pray for ministers who are seeking to discern God's call to ministry. May they find friends and a comfortable sense of belonging as they adjust to their new environment.

Wednesday, July 22 We pray for the work of the Canadian Ecumenical Anti-Racism Network as it supports church communities working for racial justice across Canada.

Thursday, July 23 We pray for the presbyteries as their moderators, clerks and members seek ways to support each other and to support congregations within their ministries with care and wisdom.

Friday, July 24 We pray for ministers, elders and church workers who are taking much-needed vacations. May they be refreshed and re-energized.

Saturday, July 25 We pray for the ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Kootenay.

Notice About Upcoming Flower Services

Due to COVID-19 restrictions that prohibit large gatherings, the memorial service for the General Protestant Cemetery, Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and Memorial Gardens will be combined and is scheduled for **July 19 at 7 pm.**

The service will be led by Rev. Bill Mercer and broadcast live only on VOWR and on-line through Wesley United Church's web site (www.wesleychurch.ca), Facebook page and YouTube channel.

News from the Pews

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Happy belated wedding anniversary wishes to Grace and David Artiss who celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on July 8th. Best wishes from your St. David's family on your special day and we wish you many wonderful years to come! David and Grace sent along a picture and a brief story of how they met and came to St. David's and St. John's.



David and Grace on their wedding day on July 8, 1989 in Pretoria, South Africa. As it was for both their second marriage, Grace preferred not to wear a traditional wedding gown like the first time around.

David and Grace met in Husum, a small coastal town in North Germany.

At the time they were both professors of German, David at MUN and Grace at the University of Pretoria. They both attended an international conference on an author they did their post-graduate studies on. There David asked Grace out for coffee, which she politely declined. He, however, didn't give up and sent her a book she needed once they were back in their respective countries. She wrote to thank him and 160 letters, weekly telephone calls and an engagement ring later, David went to South Africa, where they got married.

A few months later David returned with Grace and her dog to St John's, but before he left for South Africa, he inquired from his colleagues at Mun which would be the most appropriate church for Grace to attend in St John's. The late Andy den Otter suggested St David's Presbyterian Church and that was the congregation David introduced her to soon after they returned and that is where they are still happy to be today 30 years later.

Birthday greetings to Katie Bauer who will be celebrating on July 22nd. Katie is the daughter of Shelley and Larry Bauer. From everyone here at St. David's, a very Happy Birthday Katie!

Also celebrating on July 22nd is Brad Burness. Brad is Edith Peach's son-in-law (married to Heather). We wish Brad a very Happy Birthday spent with family and friends!

Happy Birthday to Nathan Barnes, son of Martha and Glenn Barnes. Nathan will be celebrating his birthday on July 23rd. Best wishes from your St. David's family as well!

David Bruneau will be celebrating his birthday on July 25th. David is the son of Mary and Stephen Bruneau, and grandson of Jean and the late Angus Bruneau. Happy Birthday David! Hope it's a great one!

Happy Birthday greetings to Calvin Crosbie, who will be celebrating his 5th birthday on July 25th. Calvin and his family are currently living in Copenhagen, Denmark. Calvin is the son of Jill Slater and Thomas Crosbie and grand-nephew of Andrea Crosbie. Happy Birthday Calvin from your St. David's family!

If you know of someone who is going to have a birthday or an anniversary in the coming days or weeks, please call or email the church.

What are People Doing?

It's always great to touch base with our families and to hear that they are keeping safe and staying well. We miss seeing them every Sunday and having a chat with them before and after the service. The Sampson family- Sonia, Kyle and their two boys – Tyler and Barret – are always in our thoughts and prayers and we were delighted that Kyle sent along this little note...

While this has been difficult in many aspects due to the current social climate, we (the Sampson family) have been making the best of what we have. We are fortunate enough to live on the East Coast Trail and often venture towards Flatrock and Logy Bay/Outer Cove for family hikes. We usually try to get out first thing in the morning to avoid crowds and maintain safe physical distancing protocols. Recently, Tyler and Barret have been able to increase their social bubbles to include a couple friends and have taken to ventures in Whiteways Pond and backyard sleep overs. Our evenings are usually a board game followed by a movie that we select at random from a cup. Our strawberries are just starting to appear in the garden and we are hopeful for another fruitful summer, pun intended. Stay safe all and see you soon.



Many of you know that our Treasurer, Anne Calver, has her hands full these days trying to manage the Church's finances and keeping us on the straight-and-narrow path. She also has her hands full with her latest arrivals – 8 new chicks! She picked them up nearly 3 weeks ago from the Farmer's Co-op and they now reside in their new home in Lady Cove, Random Island. Reports are good so far. The

chicks have learned how to eat their food and how to drink water (Did you know you have to teach them how to do this?). In their early days they spend a lot of time eating, drinking and sleeping. And they love heat! As you can see from the pictures, they are now starting to grow their wings and feathers. They are a bit more rambunctious and inquisitive now and they spend a lot of time exploring their world. Soon they will be moved to their new deluxe accommodations! So start saving your egg cartons now – Anne will be delighted to take them off your hands!



In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope, **Donald McKay** and his teammates on the *Beached Whales* are participating in the 'virtual' *2020 Terry Fox Run. One Day. Your Way.* Please consider joining the team. As the race is virtual, there is no running required, so everyone can participate! The *Beached Whales* are committed to raising funds for cancer research. Please consider joining our team or supporting our efforts for this very worthwhile cause. The *Beached Whales* are based in St. John's NL near where Terry started his Marathon of Hope! This coming **28 July**, Terry's birthday anniversary, members, friends and sponsors of the *Beached Whales* are asked to take a few moments to reflect on Terry or some other great Canadian of their choosing who has given selflessly for the betterment of others. <http://www.terryfox.ca/>

An Archival Moment

Thanks to Pam Bruce we have another picture from our archive collection. Here's this week's time to remember. See who you can pick out in the group!



Front Row (l to r): Allison Gray, Helen Bruce, Jeff Hodder, Richard Martin, Heather Stevens, Geoff Hudson

Christopher Martin is behind Richard

Neil Ellis is to the right of Allison

Andrea Barnes is to the left of Richard

Bernita Kiefte is to the left of Rev. Armour

Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: The Royal Newfoundland Regiment initial name, what was it, when did it come into being, and who is its Colonel-in-Chief?

The answer is: The first regiment was called the “Royal Newfoundland Regiment of Foot” dating from 1795 to 1802. The Colonel-in-Chief is The Princess Royal, Princess Anne.

This week the question is: This week’s question was suggested by Joss and Gracie Wood. Who is the person in the picture of the church, on the first page of this bulletin?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: What are the four camps in the Atlantic Provinces? I’m sure you know of at least one!

The answer is: Lillian Crawford answered with three of the four! They are Camp Geddie, Camp MacLeod and Camp Keir. The missing one is your home! Huh????? “Explore Camp Geddie campfire spots from the comfort of your own home! Camp Geddie is excited to offer virtual camps for the summer of 2020. Fire’s Burning, Draw Nearer! Programs are offered for ages 5 and up. Campers will experience a week at Camp Geddie, starting with the raising of the Canadian flag and a morning reflection, finishing with campfire and a bed-time story. Daily bible studies allow for interactions with staff and other campers. details for crafts and nature activities that can be completed at home will be provided over the online portal. Three are over already, but these are still available:

TJ’s Place (Ages 12+): July 20–24

Sleepy Hollow (Ages 5–8): July 27–31

James’ Place (Ages 9–11): August 3–7

Chloe’s Cove (Ages 12+): August 10–14

This week the question is: What old Newfoundland company moved into another old Newfoundland company’s premises on the waterfront?

Do you have any ideas for some church trivia? Email or call the church!

Offerings While COVID-19 keeps us from church each Sunday, please consider other ways to keep up your weekly donations. For those of you who are not on PAD, please consider signing up. Simply email the church and we will put you in touch with Ian Bruneau, our Envelope Secretary. He will answer any questions you may have. Alternately, you can donate via e-transfer to stdavidsnfld@gmail.com. Using your bank's comment section, you can specify information like your envelope number and how you would like your money distributed; to Current, Presbyterian Sharing, or any of our outreach programs. You may also donate through Canada Helps. You may also mail your donation, drop it off at the church, or call the church and someone would be pleased to pick it up for you.

How can we help you at this time? Do you need any help getting groceries, having something picked up, or having something dropped off (like this bulletin or the minister's weekly sermons)? Would you just like to have a chat with the minister or your elder? Please call the church at 722-2382 or email us at stdavids@nfld.com and we'll see what we can do to help.

Ideas to keep in touch Do you have any ideas how we can keep in touch with one another or what you'd like to see us do over the next period of time while we're all under orders to stay safely distant from one another? Call and let us know! Please keep in touch!

Web Site We'd like you to visit our web site, which is the place to find past services and any number of interesting things. The Sunday services are found on the web site and the text of the sermon is also available in the comment section. Our web site is **stdavids.nf.ca**

Once there, choose ministries and look for the service you'd like to see or hear. There are 584 services on-line too listen to or see.

How to reach us:

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Groups:

Women's Auxiliary – Lillian Crawford

Good Companions (Seniors) – Kay Scott

Bible Study Group – Sheena Findlay

Atlantic Mission Society – Kathy McKay

Session – Lillian Crawford

Board of Managers – Kyle Sampson

Prayer Shawl (Knitters) – Bouwina Fogwill

Willing Hands (Quilter Group) – Patsy Carmichael

Food For Thought (University and Early Career) – The Rollmanns

Session: the elders are:

Lillian Crawford

Jim Steele

Ken Templeton

Sue Templeton

Janet Calver

Kathy McKay

Penny Gillies

Steve Bruneau

Ian Bruneau

Aubrey Bonnell

Board of Managers: the members of the Board are:

Kyle Sampson

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