



Sunday July 5 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 5, 2020" into Google.
This Sunday the scripture reading is:

Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

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 5 We give thanks for all those who serve our country in times of war and peace. We pray that they are strengthened as they serve us here and abroad; as members of NATO or UN peacekeeping operations, or as they serve in the long-term care homes in Quebec and Ontario.

Monday, July 6 We give thanks for Annemarie Klassen and Anne Saunders who faithfully served on the Cutting Edge of Mission (E.H. Johnson) Committee for the past six years.

Tuesday, July 7 We pray for the Rev. James Pott who serves as the convener of the Committee on Ministry and Pastoral Care for the Presbytery of Ottawa.

Wednesday, July 8 We give thanks for those who have supported our theological colleges with the financial resources needed to educate and equip ministers and leaders for the church and the world.

Thursday, July 9 We pray for families in Haiti who are learning how to combat malnutrition with support from Presbyterian World Service & Development partners.

Friday, July 10 We give thanks for new ministries and congregations starting across the denomination.

Saturday, July 11 We pray for interchurch families in which couples are married across denominational divides and participate together in two Christian communities.

July 1st, Memorial Day

July 1 is a very important day for this Province. It is a day when we remember the devastating loss of Beaumont Hamel and all those who lost their lives during World War I. It's also a time to reflect on what a great country we live in and the sacrifices many have made throughout the years so that we can enjoy the freedoms we often take for granted.

There are many in our congregation who we remember today:

Edward Barnes

Lancelot Keeping

H. Gordon Thomas

George Cowan

George Langmead

James Watts

Lionel Duley

Henry Noonan

Wesley Watts

Charles Frost

Melville Russell

Alec White

Owen Steele

We also honour our own Jim Steele who served during the latter stages of World War II. These are Jim's words:



"I joined the Royal Artillery on my 19th birthday and after basic training in Shamrock Field, St. John's, my squad was sent to England for further training. IQ tests were performed and it was determined that I would be a good candidate to have further training as a Heavy Artillery Specialist. I completed nearly two years of intensive training, in Yorkshire, England, and was then posted to the 59th Heavy (Artillery) Regiment which were fighting in Europe. After the war was over, I was put in charge of the Police Station in

Bergerdorf, Germany, where the Internationally famous Hamburg Observatory was situated.”



Jim returned home in 1945. Thank-you Jim for everything you did so that we could have a safer world.

News from the Pews

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Wonderful news from Rukiya and Thomas! They have a new little baby girl, **Beli**, who was born on June 14, 2020, weighing in at 8 lbs. 10 oz. Beli has 2 older brothers, Shemsadin and Solomon, who are very excited to have a new little sister to love. Congratulations and much love to the Hamid family from everyone here at St. David's!



Coming up this week, Gracie and Joss Woods will be celebrating their 61st wedding anniversary on July 6th. Your St. David's family sends along congratulations and best wishes! We hope you enjoy your special day and may there be many happy years ahead! They would love to hear from you, so give them a call at **579-4863**.

Samantha St. Croix will be celebrating her birthday on July 7th. Happy Birthday Samantha from everyone here at St. David's. We hope you have a wonderful day! Samantha is Susan and Frank St. Croix's daughter and Barbara Ellis's grand-daughter.

And belated Happy Birthday greetings to Violet Aylward, who celebrated with family and friends on June 28th! We hope you enjoyed a wonderful day!

If you know of someone who is going to celebrate 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 hear how our younger families are making out in these "not-so-normal" times and to know they are doing well and staying safe and sound. One of our families is Heidi Wells



and Sean O'Grady and their two adorable daughters – Claire and Grace.

(Many of you know that Heidi is Debbie and Doyle Wells' daughter and Ivy and Max Rogers' grand-daughter. Quite the family legacy!) We were delighted to see all the great pictures Heidi sent along ... everyone looks like they are having fun! Heidi writes -

Yes, we are all doing well :) the weather and opening of the parks and playgrounds has certainly helped! I have been getting the emails, thank you!



Janet Aitken found this great picture of one of our WA Christmas luncheons that was held at Edith Peach's house a few years ago. (It's less than 6 months before Christmas Day!)



WA Christmas Luncheon at Edith Peach's Home (left to right: Edith Peach, Betty Chancey, Janet Aitken, Elisabeth Berghuis and Betty Best)

We're still celebrating Patsy and David Carmichael's 58th wedding anniversary on July 5th. Their daughter, Jill Rumbolt, was kind enough to send along a few pictures of her mom and dad – then and now. The pictures are great.... Thanks Jill and congratulations once again to Patsy and Dave from all of us!



An Archival Moment: Church Hall Contract Signing 1966

Thanks to Pam Bruce we have another picture from our archive collection. Here's this week's time to remember:



*Signing the
Contract for the
Church Hall 1966*

left to right:

*Harold Collins
(contractor),*

Rev. J.S.S. Armour,

Jim Steele

Church Trivia Questions

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Way back when:

Last week the question was: Last week's question was about the first minister of the church. He was John Jones and he was a member of His Majesty's Service. What service and what was his rank?

The answer is: John Jones joined the Royal Artillery as rose through sergeant-major, quartermaster, paymaster, and clerk of his company before he returned to England in 1778. He returned to St. John's in 1779 as minister to his congregation.

This week the question is:

This week's question is about the minister of this church who served the longest. Who was he and when was he minister here?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: We have a lively seniors group called the Good Companions that meet on Thursday afternoons. Who was their first leader and how long has that group been meeting at St. David's?

The answer is: **Claire Martin** came up with the idea and she along with **Christina Ellis** (Barbara's mother-in-law) and **Harriet Byars**. The group was begun some 38 years ago.

This week the question is:

Earlier this year, we had a large snowstorm. Was St. David's shut down for one Sunday or for two?

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 581 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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