



Sunday July 11th 2021

This Sunday we meet for in-person worship and also record the service. The recording of the service will be available on Sunday and can be found on our YouTube channel by typing "St. David's Presbyterian Message for July 11, 2021" into Google. Copies of the hymns and scripture readings are included in the email sent out each Friday. The scripture readings for this Sunday are:

Amos 7:7-15, Mark 6:14-29

Church Office Hours: Rev. Sturtevant is in the office Tuesdays through Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm. His cell phone is 699-3661. Alternately, you may contact your elder. The elder's list is on the back of this bulletin. Monica is in the office each weekday from 9 am to 1 pm, if you need to drop off or pick up something.

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 11 We pray for people in Ghana who are being empowered to lead productive and fulfilling lives with support from the Garu Community-Based Rehabilitation program.

Monday, July 12 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Westminster in British Columbia.

Tuesday, July 13 We pray for the congregation of Knox Presbyterian Church, Agincourt, in Toronto, Ontario, as they discern their next steps in ministry through the New Beginnings process.

Wednesday, July 14 We pray for the Rev. Nicole Reid and the women and children she serves through Cornerstone, an outreach ministry of the Presbytery of Niagara, Ontario.

Thursday, July 15 We pray for Jo Morris and the members of the Canada Youth planning team as they prepare for future gatherings.

Friday, July 16 We give thanks for congregations that have created summer ministry positions for students. We pray that these ministries are a blessing for the congregations and the students leading them.

Saturday, July 17 We pray for congregations as they plan Vacation Bible Schools either in person or online this summer.

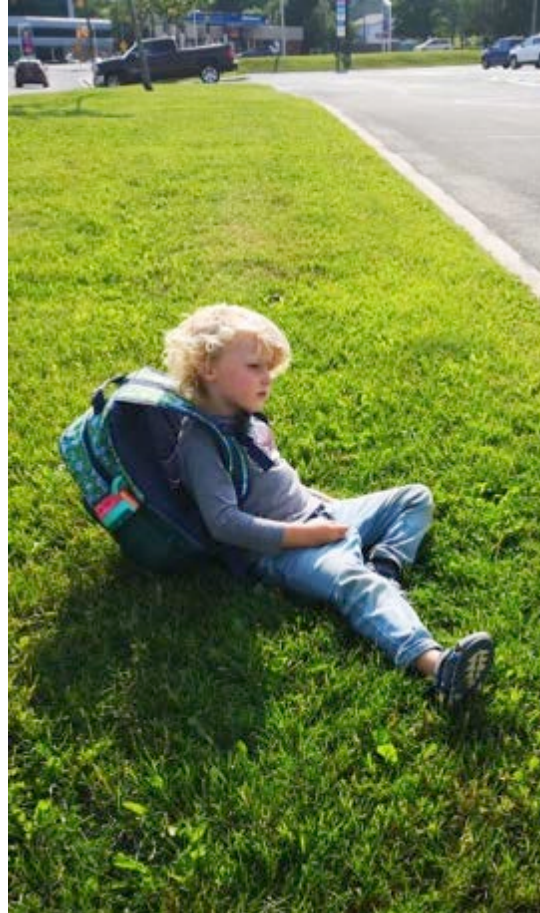
Message from the Minister:

In the last few weeks, Oliver has started going to daycare two days a week. The province of Newfoundland has just started a provincial subsidy program for daycares, meaning that full-day childcare now costs \$25 a day for most places. This is great news for our province, since it is a real struggle for low-income families to break free of the poverty cycle when child care costs more than can be made at a minimum wage job. Subsidized child care is a real benefit to our province!

On a more personal note, it has been a real benefit for us, too. Oliver is almost four, full of energy, and very social. This chance to meet and play with other kids his age is exactly what he needs, and the physical exercise of a full day of running, chasing, and playing doesn't hurt either. On Tuesday, I went to pick him up and, since the daycare is close to our house, we walked home together. His walking pace after a day of daycare was... slow. I think we took about four breaks on a walk that would have taken me less than ten minutes. But through it all, when I asked Oliver if he was feeling tired, he would confidently respond that he wasn't at all tired or sleepy, and we would walk another few steps before grinding to a halt again. How often do we pretend we've got more in our "fuel tank" than we really do? How often do you try to hide your tiredness, your sadness, or your loneliness? We think that being worn thin is a sign of weakness, or that telling someone else when we are feeling low means we are a complainer. But scripture is full of stories of God choosing the worn-out and loving those who are suffering. The disciples were too tired to stay awake while Jesus prayed, Mary met the risen Lord when she was brokenly mourning him at his grave, the sick and the unclean were never turned away or scorned by Jesus like the Pharisees were.

Sometimes, it's OK to be tired. It's ok to need a rest or a listening ear. Weakness is something we can embrace, because we know that when we are weak, God is strong. So may you show your weakness and tiredness to God this week, may you sit on the grass with him and tell him about your day. For God will wait with you and hear you, God will walk with you at

whatever pace you can go, and if you are too weak to go on, God's strength is enough to carry you through. We can admit our weakness with God. That's Good News for us today. Hallelujah, and Amen.



Announcements

Memorial Tree Commemoration

A Memorial Leaf will be placed on the Memorial Tree in the Sanctuary this Sunday in honour of Ralph William (Bill) Barnes for his many years of work, dedication and service to St. David's. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family as we commemorate his life.

From the Board, Session and Treasurer

In-person Church Services

St. David's is having in-person services. We also live-stream the service at 11:00 AM on Sundays. Please keep in mind that under the Level 2 restrictions the maximum is increased. For those members of St. David's unable to participate in virtual worship for one reason or another, we invite you to attend in person when you are comfortable doing so. Those of you who join us virtually via Zoom may certainly continue to follow us that way or if you are comfortable joining us in person, we welcome you back.

Getting the Service and Bulletin using our website

This bulletin and the Sunday service are placed on our website as soon as the Rollmann family get Monica's email. The website is **stdavids.nf.ca** and if you type this in as your search, our website will be right there. At the top of the main page is a "Sunday Service" which will take you to this week's service link and bulletin. Since our Sunday services are now live-streamed, the link is already posted so people can experience the Sunday service at home live beginning at 11 am on Sunday. If you click on Video Service for July 11th you will see the screen and the note: live in "a number" of hours. After the fact, you can see the YouTube video of the service. If you would like to catch up on previous services all are available, simply scroll through the services and choose the Sunday service or bulletin that you would like to see or read.

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? You may call the church at 722-2382 or email us at stdavids@nfd.com and we'll see what we can do to

help. Monica is at the church during regular office hours from 9 am to 1 pm each weekday, if you want to drop by for any reason.

Treasurer's Report

Thank you to all who are continuing to donate to your church through your envelopes on Sunday mornings, by e-transfers, or through your monthly PAD contributions. My thanks go out to elders and friends who happily and gladly pick-up envelopes from those not able to get out and help by dropping them off at the church office.

By the way, the sole email address we are using to accept donations is stdavidsnfld@gmail.com and this one is linked to our bank account and it will automatically accept all donations.

Bridges to Hope

The Food Pantry at Bridges To Hope is open and staffed by volunteers.

Donations for Bridges to Hope are always welcomed! At the Sunday worship services, a trolley will be available for your donations. If you are not able to make it on Sunday, you can always drop off food items at the Church Office and they will be included with that week's food collection, normally delivered to "Bridges" on Thursdays. ***As always, cash or gift cards are helpful and greatly appreciated.*** These monetary gifts allow Bridges To Hope to purchase perishable items required, such as, margarine, fresh fruit & vegetables, etc.

Below is a list of some weekly specials that you may want to consider as a possible donation.

Good Specials This Week (July 8-14) - great items for Food Trolley!

Lawtons – Graves Apple Juice - \$0.88

Crest Toothpaste - \$1

Walmart – Lancia Pasta - \$0.97

Ocean's tuna - \$0.99

Sobeys – Campbell's soup - \$0.50

Colemans – Jacob's Cream Crackers – 5/\$5

Clark's Beans - \$0.77

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Condolences

The sympathy of the Congregation is extended to the Green, Carmichael and Colton families on the passing of Roberta “Bobbie” Green. Bobbie was the sister of Patsy Carmichael and Carol Colton. Friends and family are invited to pay respects and celebrate her life at a visitation to be held at Carnell’s Funeral Home, 329 Freshwater Road on July 9th from 2-4pm and 7-9pm. Bobbie’s funeral will be held at the Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Saturday, July 10th, 2021 at 2:00p.m., with interment to follow at the Anglican Cemetery on Kenmount Road.

The service will be livestreamed for those who cannot attend.

<http://www.facebook.com/anglcathstj/>

To observe COVID protocols, those planning to attend the funeral service will need to register first by calling the Cathedral Office at 726-5677 or by following the registration link on the Cathedral website at <https://ourcathedral.ca/>

The sympathy of the congregation goes to John Hammond and family on the passing of his Aunt, Irene Hammond, on July 4, 2021 at the age of 97. Irene was predeceased by her husband, Reginald (1975) and brother-in-law, Harold (2013). The funeral service took place on Tuesday, July 6th from Barrett’s Funeral Home with interment at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Annamaria and Csongor on the birth of their daughter, Mátyás Villő Anna, on July 2nd. Villő is a little sister for Isti! The love and happiness of everyone here at St. David's goes out to the family.



Mátyás Villő Anna



Annamaria and Villő



Napping Villő

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Happy Birthday to Joss Wood who will be celebrating his birthday on July 17th! Joss is a longtime member of St. David's. Joss played an active role in the life of our congregation and was an elder for many years before retiring from Session. He continues to support and take a keen interest in Church activities and events. Both Grace and Joss are loyal and faithful Church attendees. We hope to see both of them back in Church post-pandemic and we look forward to sharing a coffee and a chat with them in the Church Hall! Best wishes, Joss, from everyone here at St. David's and we hope you have a wonderful day with many more birthdays to come!

Happy Birthday to Alyssa Drake who will be celebrating her birthday on July 14th with family and friends! Alyssa is the daughter of Lynn and Craig Drake. Your St. David's family sends along best wishes and we hope you have a great birthday!

Happy Birthday greetings on July 16th to Colin Brockerville! Colin will be celebrating his birthday with family and friends, near and far, including his mom, Jacqueline Brockerville, aunts, Jennifer (Critch) and Janet (Starkes) and their families, and proud grand-parents, Jean and Clayton Collins. Have a wonderful birthday Colin from your St. David's family. Best wishes!

Happy Birthday to Solomon Hamid who will be celebrating his 3rd birthday with family and friends on July 16th! Solomon will be enjoying his big day with his mom and dad, Rukiya Yusuf and Thomas Hamid, big brother, Shemsadin and little sister, Beli, along with other family and friends. Your St. David's family wishes you a fun-filled day Solomon! All our love!

Happy Birthday greetings to Leo Johnson who will be celebrating his big #1 birthday on July 15th! Leo is the son of Samantha Hudson and Cecil Johnson and big brother to Daley. Also joining in the festivities will be his grandparents, Michele and Geoffrey Hudson and of course proud great-grandparents, Sylvia and Dave Hudson! Best wishes on your birthday, Leo, from everyone here at St. David's and we hope you have lots of fun!

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.

News from the Pews

A Special Hike

Before Kathy and Don left for a trip to Nova Scotia, Kathy got to enjoy another hike with Jenny – and Jenny's dad, Peter. Jenny's parents arrived in St. John's in time for Jenny's birthday – what a great present! Here's Kathy's note: *Jenny's parents arrived for her birthday on 2 July. Luckily I was able to take a hike with Jenny and her father, Peter, last Saturday.*



Jenny with Her Dad – July 3, 2021

Story with St. David's Connection

Penny sent along this Email: *So thankful that this group of young entrepreneurs were able to work in St. David's at the very start of the pandemic.....*

Penny was keen to pick up this story on the CBC website about the family that started the NL Eats, non-profit mobile food bank. Started during Snowmageddon and kept going throughout COVID-19, NL Eats has helped feed over 800 families in the St. John's metro area. (For a while, this enthusiastic group used St. David's Church Hall as their centre of operations.) They've also partnered with First Light Friendship Centre on Water Street, where the food bank is currently housed. For more information on this story and the family behind it check out this link: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/nl-eats-farewell-1.6073927>

Thanks Penny for sending this along to us!

Archival Moment

This week's archival moment came about as a result of some documents Pam and I discovered last week in one of the many binders Pam has put together over the years. The documents described the years when Rev. Goldsmith was the Minister here at St. David's. There was one little article there that mentioned an important date – the marriage of Millie and Harold Hammond on July 19, 1959.

It turns out that even though Rev. Goldsmith performed several marriages at the old Congregational Church on Queen's Road, Millie and Harold's marriage was the first wedding ceremony held in St. David's Church and officiated by Rev. Goldsmith!

I contacted John Hammond and he was good enough to go through some old photo albums he had at home and provide me with some very special pictures from that day. Thank-you John!

I know many of us have very fond memories of Millie and Harold. They hold a very special place in our hearts and in the history of our Church. We hope you enjoy these special moments from their wedding, July 19, 1959.

(John and I had a wonderful chat about his family and I have LOTS more to share with you about Millie and Harold over the next few weeks!)



First Wedding in St. David's Church – July 19, 1959
(Notice the cushions on the carpet!)



Millie and Harold Sign the Wedding Registry



Millie and Harold - July 19, 1959
(This picture is a colour photograph)



The Bridal Party

Left to Right: Albert Hammond (Harold's brother), Elizabeth Hammond (Harold's mother), Harold and Millie, Lillian and Vic Pittman (the bride's parents)



The First Dance

Summer Crossword Puzzle

Here is the answer to last week's puzzle. And many thanks to Anne Calver for putting the crossword puzzle together – and providing the answers!

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Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: There were actually two missions established in Twillingate, when was the first one and what happened to it

The answer is: The first mission started in June 1799 by John Hillyard who arrived in St. John's in June 1799 and went to Twillingate by late summer. Mr. Hillyard stayed there until 1802.

This week the question is: There was no other mission in Twillingate until much later. When did the second mission start and who was involved?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: The church hall is a very popular spot the last weekend of November. What happens that weekend?

The answer is: The very popular "Pet Pics with Santa" takes place that weekend sponsored by the SPCA. Each year all kinds of pets come in to have a visit with Santa and get a photo some of which end up on Christmas cards you may receive.

This week the question is: This question comes to us from Bob Taylor: Who is the man approaching the church on the picture at the top of the bulletin?

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.

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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 over 600 services on-line too listen to or see.

How to reach us:

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Church email: stdavids@nfld.com

Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/stdavidsstjohns>

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 – Ken Templeton (Session rep)

Prayer Shawl (Knitters) – Bouwina Fogwill

Willing Hands (Quilter Group) – Patsy Carmichael

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

Session: the elders are:

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| Sue Templeton | Janet Calver | Kathy McKay |
| Penny Gillies | Steve Bruneau | Ian Bruneau |
| Aubrey Bonnell | Eleanor Bonnell | Jenny Griffioen |
| Jennifer Waterman | Ed Vanderkloet | Tanya Shalaby |

Board of Managers: the members of the Board are:

Ken Templeton Ed Vanderkloet Steve Bruneau
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Treasurer: Anne Calver

Envelope Secretary: Ian Bruneau