

Sunday July 4th 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 4, 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:

Mark 6:1-13, Acts 9:1-19

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 4 We give thanks and pray for the Synod of Livingstonia Health Department as it provides hospitals and frontline health-care workers in Malawi with essential supplies to save lives.

Monday, July 5 We pray for those who have medical issues related to COVID-19. May their caregivers provide healing.

Tuesday, July 6 We pray for people in India whose lives have been dramatically affected by a devastating second wave of COVID-19, and we give thanks for our partners who are responding to their immediate needs for hospital beds, essential medicines and oxygen.

Wednesday, July 7 We pray for people living in long-term care and retirement homes who have been without visitors due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Thursday, July 8 We pray for chaplains in hospitals and long-term care homes as they offer comfort and support to the staff and residents.

Friday, July 9 After many months of living under pandemic restrictions, we pray that God will replenish us, in body, mind and soul.

Saturday, July 10 We give thanks and pray for Palestinian and Israeli organizations working towards a just and lasting peace in the troubled region.

Message from the Minister

Over the last few weeks, I have been getting a lot of questions about the Presbyterian Church's involvement in the horrors of the residential school system, which forcibly removed children from their homes in a systematic attempt to eradicate Indiginous culture. This caused untold pain and damage to Indiginous communities, and the impact of these events are still felt today as these communities struggle with substance abuse, broken family dynamics, and crime.

Sadly, the Presbyterian Church in Canada was involved in the running of some of these schools. From the mid-1880s until 1925, the PCC operated 11 such schools, with 9 of them transfering over when the United Church was founded in 1925. The following two schools were Birtle Residential School in Birtle, Manitoba, which transferred ownership to the federal government in 1969 and was shut down in 1972, and Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School in Kenora, Ontario, which was shut down in 1976. Students endured poor nutrition as budgets were slashed, suffered abuse at the hands of Presbyterians, and died of exposure when they tried to flee back to their families. It is likely that there are graves on these properties that have not yet been found.

For decades, the PCC has been working to heal the damage caused by residential schools. A formal apology was first made in 1994, and is available on the PCC website at "https://presbyterian.ca/downloads/34144/", but much more needed to be done. By the grace of God, that work is still ongoing. This month, a joint statement was put out by the past and present Moderator of the national church, some of which I will include below.

"Meaningful apology and the reconciliation that can come of it requires listening to the Indigenous communities and families we have harmed, asking what work is needed for healing and then acting on it. The work that is required will change over time, as circumstances change; as more

information is uncovered that may reopen wounds; as the depth of harm of colonialism is understood; as ways are found that the church can be an ally and a voice for justice again. The work required will change too as healing happens.

The listening required is also not a one-time event, but part of a relationship that develops over time. In listening, we have heard that even the children or grandchildren of those who attended Indian Residential Schools are more likely to have serious physical or mental health concerns, more likely to be taken from their homes into foster care, and more likely to attempt suicide than Indigenous children who do not have a parent or grandparent that attended residential school. This is because of intergenerational trauma, that can cause cycles of harm and broken relationships in families if not healed.

Hearing this, we have asked what we could do that would help heal that trauma; reconciliation requires no less. And in conversations with Indigenous members of this community, The Presbyterian Church in Canada, we have heard what is needed today:

We have heard The Presbyterian Church in Canada must work to ensure the grounds of the residential schools we ran—and especially Birtle and Cecilia Jeffrey, which we ran the longest—are searched for any unmarked graves. We must also ensure any search is taken in respectful consultation with the Indigenous communities and families impacted; this would include financial support from the church for those searches. We commit to this work.

We have heard that any work to address the legacy of Indian Residential Schools must also address the ongoing inequity faced by today's Indigenous children, and we are asked to seek justice through advocacy for the rights of all Indigenous children. We commit to this work.

We have heard The Presbyterian Church in Canada must confront and address colonialism and systemic racism against Indigenous people in both the church and Canadian society. This systemic racism and colonialism shape the daily lives of Indigenous people in the church and in society in daily acts many take for granted, such as accessing health care, access to clean drinking water, equity in education, and equitable treatment in court systems. We have seen how this systemic racism has resulted in incidents like how Joyce Echaquan was treated before her death when she sought access to health care, in significantly higher rates of violent encounters with police, and in significantly higher rates of child apprehension into foster care systems, to name just a few examples. As disciples of Christ, the church is called to work for justice by advocating for an end to these and other similar injustices against Indigenous people. We commit to this work.

We have heard that it is important to support the recommendations recently issued by the Native Women's Association regarding ending the crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls as well as continuing to support the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action and the Calls for Justice that stem from the Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. We commit to this work.

Because the residential schools operated for almost nine decades, harming generations of communities, true healing and reconciliation will require a lengthy journey over generations and a great deal of work to heal that harm. The discoveries of unmarked graves continue to lead to unspeakable grief and ongoing harm in communities across our country. Reconciliation is a long road that requires acknowledgement of harm, apology for taking part in that harm, concrete steps to redress the harm, and the rebuilding of broken relationships. We are called as disciples of Christ to reconciliation and to justice; this is work the church must do and commits to doing."

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 4th 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@nfld.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.

This week's Specials (July 1 – 7) - great items for Food Trolley!

Lawtons - Barilla Pasta and Hunt's Pasta Sauce - \$0.99

Walmart - Ocean's tuna - \$0.87

Dominion – Heinz beans or pasta - \$0.99

Colemans - Garden Patch Green Peas/Graves vegetables - \$0.88

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Happy Birthday to David Artiss who will be celebrating his birthday on July 5th! David and his wife, Grace, are long-time members of St. David's. They are faithful attendees and are always willing to help support any special event. They are great supporters of our Good Companions group, not to mention avid carpet bowlers! Best wishes David from your St. David's family. We know Grace — and Caspar - and all your family and friends will make this a special day for you!

Happy Birthday to Mildred Greeley who will be celebrating her birthday on July 6th! Mildred will be celebrating her birthday with family and friends, including her husband, Darrin, and children Bradley and Andrea and their families, and her siblings, Marilyn Reardon, Gerry Melendy and Nowell Melendy and their families. Happy Birthday Mildred from everyone here at St. David's! We hope you have a wonderful day... best wishes!

Happy Birthday to Samantha St. Croix who will be celebrating her birthday on July 7th! Samantha is the daughter of Susan and Frank St. Croix and grand-daughter of Barbara Ellis. Susan will be celebrating with her family and friends, near and far. Best wishes Susan, from your St. David's family! We hope you have a wonderful birthday!

Happy Birthday greetings go out to Lucy Pike who is having her 11th birthday on July 5th! Lucy will be celebrating her big day with her mom and dad, Krysta and Keith Pike, sister, Mila, proud grand-parents, Judy and Dave Rudofsky, and many other family and friends here in Newfoundland and abroad. Best wishes Lucy for a wonderful birthday!

Happy Anniversary to Grace and David Artiss, who will be celebrating 32 years of marriage on July 8th! Grace and David will be celebrating their special day with family and friends near and far. Congratulations to you both from all your friends here at St. David's! We wish you many more years of happiness.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Patsy and David Carmichael who will be celebrating their 59th wedding anniversary on July 5th with family and friends, here and abroad! Best wishes and congratulations from your St. David's family. We wish you many wonderful years yet to come!

Happy Anniversary wishes to Grace and Joss Wood who will be celebrating their wedding anniversary on July 6th! Grace and Joss were married in 1959, 62 years ago! Warmest wishes from everyone here at St. David's on your special day. We'll be thinking of you both!

Happy Anniversary wishes to Evelyn and Nowell Melendy who will be celebrating their Golden wedding anniversary on July 10th! Fifty years married – a wonderful milestone! Nowell and Evelyn will be celebrating this special day with family and friends, including Nowell's siblings, Marilyn Reardon, Mildred Greeley and Gerry Melendy and their families, not to mention many good friends. Congratulations to you both from all your friends here at St. David's and best wishes for all the years ahead!

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

Beli's Baptism

Last Sunday was a very special day for our congregation as we welcomed Beli Hamid into our Church family through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. It was a beautiful day in many ways and we were so happy to have been able to share this special time with Rukiya, Thomas and Beli's older brothers, Shemsadin and Solomon. We share just some of the pictures from last Sunday.



Beli's Baptism June 27, 2021



After the Service



Penny and Bouwina Offer Congratulations



Rukiya, Solomon, Shemsadin, Thomas and Beli - Asleep



Stuart and Penny join in



Kay and Eric join the family

Jane's Tree

Back in February (February 7, 2021), we had a great story from Kathy and Don McKay about their trip to British Columbia to visit with their daughter, Kirsten. This was an excerpt from their story... "On another walk, accompanied by their daughter, Kirsten, who lives in Victoria, Kathy and Don strolled around the 'well-manicured' grounds of the parliament building to visit what our family fondly call's 'Jane's tree.' The tree was planted in memory of Jane Green's grandfather, Ethelbert O.S. Scholefield, who served the people of British Columbia as their Provincial Librarian and Archivist from 1899 to 1919."....

This story led to my asking Jane to fill us in on the story of her grand-father and this she did! Below is that story and I'm sure you'll find it fascinating! Thank-you Jane!

'JANE'S Family Tree'

Jane Green's father, Gordon Stuart Scholefield was born in Victoria, British Columbia June 2, 1908, one of four sons of Ethelbert Olaf Stuart Scholefield (called 'EOS' or Bert), and Lily May Corbould. EOS Scholefield was born in Ryde on the Isle of Wight in the UK in 1875. His parents Rev. Stuart Clement Scholefield (a Church of England clergyman) and Helen Ann Gilbert were both born in England, married in 1865, and lived in several communities in England where he was the minister.

They had 12 children with wonderful names such as Erkenwalde, Oscar, Ethelreda, and Ermyntrude.

In 1887 Rev. Scholefield was offered a position in New Westminster, B.C., so he, his wife Helen, and their children took the long journey across the Atlantic by ship, and then by train across Canada. They first lived in New Westminster then moved to Vancouver Island near Victoria. Rev. Clement

Scholefield continued to conduct many services in communities around Vancouver, and up the Fraser River. He was on one of these trips in 1894, travelling to Lytton and Kamloops, when he felt ill and unexpectedly died at age 52. A number of his older children returned to England, but Bert continued his education in Esquimalt and Victoria. In 1895 he became Assistant Librarian in the BC Parliament Buildings in Victoria. In 1898 he was promoted to Provincial Librarian, and from 1910 was BC Archivist as well.

He travelled widely throughout BC to gather manuscripts, books, and newspapers dealing with the history of the Pacific Northwest. He planned a new and larger library to house the new collections. The cornerstone was laid by the Duke of Connaught (Lieut Governor of BC) in 1912. When the Library building was complete EOS then arranged and catalogued all the collections. EOS co-wrote the early history of British Columbia with Judge F.W. Howay, called "From the Earliest Times to the Present" which was published in 1914 as four volumes.

In 1907 he had married Lily May Corbould of New Westminster, BC and they had four sons, Gordon (my father), John, Lawrence (who died at age 3 of scarlet fever), and Erik. EOS died Dec. 25, 1919 of Pernicious Anemia (untreatable at that time). Lily died Dec. 22, 1922 of breast cancer, having travelled by train to Toronto more than once for cobalt treatment. Sadly the boys were left as orphans, and went to different relatives.

EOS Scholefield had a tremendous impact on the province of British Columbia in the 24 years that he worked in the BC Parliament Buildings. He gathered writings of the history of BC, extended the Provincial Library, organized the new collections, and co-wrote an extensive history of BC – all before his early death at age 44. For this, a Copper Beech tree was planted in his honour in front of the BC Parliament Buildings. This has been a focus of all 'Scholefield family visits' to Victoria beginning in the 1950s when I was growing up in Vancouver. In 2019 family members from the UK, NL, Edmonton, and Vancouver gathered at the tree. It was on this visit that I also met with Kirsten McKay, who was living in Victoria, and showed her the

tree- so it became 'a McKay family tradition' as well. Don and Kathy mentioned visiting 'Jane's Tree' on a visit to see Kirsten earlier this year, but it was really my Grandfather's tree.

While I was collecting some of the historical facts regarding EOS Scholefield's family beginnings in the UK, I found out that there were two Rev. Clement Scholefields, both Church of England clergymen: Rev. Stuart Clement Scholefield (1842-1894) who was my great grandfather, and Rev. Clement Cotterill Scholefield (1839-1904) who was unrelated. I always thought that 'my relative' had written St. Clement, the tune for the hymn 'The Day Thou Gave Us' but it was the 'other one', Rev. Clement Cotterill Scholefield - such a disappointment!

Gordon Scholefield was a banker in Vancouver and unfortunately died in 1967, just two months before Jane and John Green moved from Vancouver to NL, so Jane's father never had the chance to visit Newfoundland and Labrador. Jane's mother Dorothy visited several times, as did Jane's sisters and brothers –Elizabeth, Stuart, Marian, David and Alan.



Scholefield Tree and Plaque January 2021 Victoria BC

Summer Crossword Puzzle – This puzzle is all about Summer!

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6 "this is some fine for a walk"	3 open you mouth and say					
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9 what you take in the summer	5 Pam and Penny have beautiful					
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13 do, ra, me fa, so ,, ti, do	7 small building, Diane Hodder has one -					
14 on vacation what you send back from away	8 trees out in blossom with lovely smell					
16 the at the end of a sentence	10 you need to win the lottery					
17 a short goodbye	11 opposite of no					
18 where you might go for a weekend	14 to make French fries use these vegetables					
19 what you get if you stay out in the sun	15 parsley,, rosemary, and thyme					
21 what follows spring	19 spicy taste on food, or a sweet drink					
23 billy garden	20 you get at these blessed misquitos					
25 to catch fish you go	22 the leaf on Canada's flag					
27 your favorite for fishing	23 a drink you have at 4 pm, a G&T					
28 game,, match	24 you exerise your to get a great six-pack					
29 what wind comes up on the ocean	26 upset stomach, it was something I					
33 what some gardeners hate and bees love	30 Goodyear has ones at golf tornaments					
36 short form of cucumbers	31 type of squash, used in chocolate cakes!					
37 pig's home - a pig	32 short form of okay					
39 what bees produce	34 short for a grandmother					
41 the sun sets at this time of year NDST	35 short form of evening					
43 "are you to go?"	\					
45 a kind of soil	40 add to make bread rise					
46 short form of hello	42 Anne's chicks turned into					
47 flowers for Mother's Day, anniversaries, etc.	44 Sun, Mon etc					
48 "did you pass the?" aka an exam	45 head for the shore if out in boat and a storn comes up					
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Archival Moment

The past few weeks we have been re-discovering some of the moments from Rev. David Sturtevant's Service of Induction held on Sunday, March 26, 2017. It was a wonderful evening and after the service, everyone moved to the Church Hall for – you guessed it – refreshments! Here is a great picture of Rev. David Sturtevant, Michelle Sturtevant, Yasmin Ahmed and Rev. Derek Krunys.



After the Induction Service – David, Michelle, Yasmin and Derek

Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: This missionary outreach had another preacher, a member of the small congregation in St. John's. Who was this and what happened as a result?

The answer is: George Brace was a fisherman and a member of the congregation, preaching and teaching at Portugal Cove and Torbay, with regular service and establishing schools. With the support of people in London, he was able to devote his full time to these communities.

This week the question is: There were actually two missions established in Twillingate. When was the first one and what happened to it?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: Why was this a really good thing for St. David's? (that the Seventh Day Adventist congregation bought the Queen's Road church in 1957)

The answer is: Since St. David's didn't move into the church on Elizabeth Ave until 1959, we were able to use the old church concurrently with the Seventh Day Adventist congregation for two years.

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

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 etransfer 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.

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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 – Ken Templeton (Session rep)

Prayer Shawl (Knitters) - Bouwina Fogwill

Willing Hands (Quilter Group) – Patsy Carmichael

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

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Aubrey Bonnell Eleanor Bonnell Jenny Griffioen
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