



Sunday August 29th 2021

Our Sunday service is at 11 am with in-person worship, we also stream the service live and record it for later viewing. 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 August 29, 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:

Luke 10:30-37; 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Church Office Hours: Rev. Sturtevant is on vacation for the month of August. For pastoral care, please contact Rev. Derek Krunys at 687-7742. Monica McNeill, our Office Administrator, 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, August 29 We pray for farmers in Guatemala who are learning how to prepare the new food they grow with support from Presbyterian World Service & Development partners.

Monday, August 30 We pray for the candidates for ministry and guidance counsellors who will gather to engage in dialogue and reflection about vocation and discernment during Guidance Conference this week.

Tuesday, August 31 We pray that people experiencing isolation, mental health challenges and suicidal thoughts will feel a strong sense of God's presence, comfort and healing.

Wednesday, September 1 We give thanks and pray for the WMS members planning the National Presbyterian Women's Gathering in 2022. May this event bring people together to celebrate and praise God.

Thursday, September 2 We pray for Leading with Care committees that seek to make churches, missions and camps safe places.

Friday, September 3 We pray for impoverished communities in Nicaragua and give thanks for the Presbyterian World Service & Development partners who are teaching these communities about proper nutrition to support long-term health.

Saturday, September 4 We pray that all people experience autonomy and agency, and that workplaces are free from fear and discrimination.

From the Board, Session and Treasurer

The Latest – Again

The fall is coming quickly and members of Session, the Board, the COVID-19 Best Practices Committee and your treasurer are keeping up to date on the evolving situation surrounding what's happening and are planning for most if, not all, eventualities. This includes the Sunday service, the choir, pews in the sanctuary, furniture in the Armour Room, the use of the hall and kitchens for both us and for our normal renters, a safe return to our after-service "coffee time" and other activities. **We may solicit your opinions on these and other items. So please stay tuned!**

Summer Schedule

This is August and summer holiday time is here, Rev. Sturtevant is on vacation for this month and Brian Way is also taking some well-deserved vacation. Here is the remainder of the scheduled services this month:

	Worship Leader	Organist
Aug 29	AMS Service	Brian Way

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Rev Russell, Sam Johnson, Ernst Rollmann and the AMS for taking the services this month. We'd also like to thank Heather Kao and Jennie Griffioen for taking over from Brian Way.

In-person Church Services

St. David's has had in-person services each Sunday since September 2020 with a brief break from February to April 2021. Our morning worship is at 11 am. We also live-stream the service, or you can access it later. With the move to "Level 2 Re-opening", the number of people who can be in the

sanctuary is increased provided we can maintain social distancing. 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 is 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 August 29th 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 "Bag to School" initiative has now been completed and the school bags are being distributed to families just in time for the beginning of the new school year. Thank-you so much for all your contributions! Stay tuned for an update on this great program in the next week or two and how your thoughtfulness continues to make a difference for many families.

Meanwhile, 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.

Specials This Week (Aug 26-Sept 1) – **Good buys for Food Trolley!**

Pipers

Catelli Pasta (various) - \$1

Heinz Ketchup - \$1

Jacob's Crackers - \$1

Walmart

Cloverleaf Tuna - \$1.17

Kraft Dinner (Family size) – 12/\$7.97 (\$0.66 each)

Dominion

Graves Apple Juice - \$0.99

Lawtons

Heinz Tomato Soup – 2/\$1

Heinz Gravy - \$0.69

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Happy Birthday to Adam Kearsey who will be celebrating his birthday on September 4th. Adam is the son of Judy Woolridge. Happy Birthday Adam from everyone here at St. David's! Hope you have a wonderful birthday!

Happy Anniversary to Michelle and Joseph Craig who will be celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary on August 30th! Congratulations from your St. David's family on this milestone and may there be many more wonderful years ahead for both of you!

Happy Anniversary to Catherine and Richard Bailey who will be celebrating their wedding anniversary on August 30th! Congratulations from everyone here at St. David's. Catherine is the daughter of Judy and David Bonnell, and niece of Eleanor and Aubrey Bonnell. Best wishes on your special day!

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

Sheena's Surgery

Great news! Sheena has had her hip surgery (Tuesday, August 24th) and all went well. She will be in hospital for a few days yet and then recuperating in the comfort of her own home for the next few weeks. We'll keep you posted on her progress. On behalf of Sheena, thank-you for all your prayers and best wishes!

ANC (Association of New Canadians) and the Global Eats Food Truck

The Association for New Canadians (ANC) is a non-profit, community-based organization delivering settlement and integration services to immigrants. The Global Eats Food Truck program is part of the ANC's wonderful list of programs they offer. Global Eats gives trainees the opportunity to earn valuable skills to help them get work throughout the food service industry and to offer and share food from different cultures around the world with us. A win-win situation!

St. David's is pleased to welcome the ANC back to our Church Hall again this year and, as many of you already know, Global Eats is busier than ever. Besides their weekly menu and food truck on the St. David's parking lot, they have been taking part in several events around the city. In early August, they took part in Welcome Rainbow, an ANC initiative to sponsor LGBTQIA+ refugees and foster a safer, supportive community for their new home in this province. Also in August, they took part in Global Music at The Rooms – a free concert in the Fortis Courtyard & Amphitheatre – which helped celebrate the diversity of talent in our community.

If you have not had a meal from Global Eats, we suggest you give them a try. Just go to <https://www.globaleats.ca> and place your order!

In the meantime, here are some pictures of our ANC friends!



Cooks in the Kitchen (Jaafar and Ajong)



An Enthusiastic Chef!
(Jaafar)

Our Happy Chefs
(Jaafar, Ajong, Andia, Anwar,
Shahin)



Visit from Cleo

Last Thursday while Pam, Monica and I were reviewing some of the archival papers, we had a wonderful visit from Cleo and her “mom”, Penny! Needless to say, everything stopped while we spent some quality time with our little friend!! Cleo is a sweetie and anyone who loves animals would certainly agree. We hope Cleo and her “mom”, come again – play time is always so important!!



Cleo Poses for her Picture



Cleo Meets a New Friend – Pam!



Just Checking....



Those Eyes!



So Much to Chew –
So Little Time

Archival Moment

This week we have a picture from when Rev. Armour and his wife, Margaret, came back to visit St. David's in 1996. This picture shows Cyril Barnes – a longtime member of St. David's and a former Clerk of Session – with Rev. Armour. Thanks to Pam Bruce for this picture from our archives!



Rev. Jim Armour and Cyril Barnes, April 1996

Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: The first meeting house was described as a “very slight house” with windows with shutters but no chimney. Its fourteen year lease on the land required them to do what?

The answer is: What was really required to meet the terms of the lease was a chimney. It cost 20 pounds, way outside any budget the little congregation could afford. But they did it anyway!

This week the question is: The first meeting house had a lively history, including a riot. What was that about?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: What current church family is related to John March who was baptized in the Dissenting Church of Christ on Feb 25, 1787?

The answer is: The family is the Calvers. Betty Calver (Anne and Janet Calver’s mother) was a March and her family traces back to John who was baptized at the Dissenting Church of Christ on Feb 25, 1787. He was Anne and Janet’s great-great-great-great grandfather. (Had to re-calculate the number of greats!)

This week the question is: What current church family has a famous Bible?

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 now that things are starting to re-open. 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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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:

Lillian Crawford

Jim Steele

Ken Templeton

Sue Templeton

Janet Calver

Kathy McKay

Penny Gillies

Steve Bruneau

Ian Bruneau

Aubrey Bonnell

Eleanor Bonnell

Jenny Griffioen

Jennifer Waterman

Ed Vanderkloet

Tanya Shalaby

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Ed Vanderkloet

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Treasurer: Anne Calver

Envelope Secretary: Ian Bruneau