



Sunday October 17th 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 our YouTube channel by typing “St. David's Presbyterian Message for October 17, 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:

Jeremiah 1:4-8, Psalm 139, Romans 8:28-39

Church Office Hours: Rev. Sturtevant is in the office Tuesdays through Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm. For pastoral care, please contact him at 699-3661. 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, October 17 (Students and Colleges Sunday) We pray for the staff, faculty and students at Presbyterian College in Montreal, Knox College in Toronto, and Vancouver School of Theology/St. Andrew's Hall.

Monday, October 18 (Feast Day of Luke the Evangelist) We pray that those who ask, who seek, and who knock will receive, find, and have doors opened to them.

Tuesday, October 19 We pray for the safety of Palestinian farmers and their families and friends as they gather to pick olives during the harvest season. May all those participating experience a bountiful harvest.

Wednesday, October 20 We give thanks and pray for coaches involved in Cyclical PCC and the New Beginnings program who help ministers continue Christ's ministry in new ways.

Thursday, October 21 We pray for doctors, nurses and all those who work in hospitals and medical clinics.

Friday, October 22 We pray that all Survivors of Residential Schools be heard and healed from the hurts of the past.

Saturday, October 23 We remember Chanie Wenjack who died of hunger and exposure on this day in 1966 after running away from Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School in Kenora, Ontario. We pray for all those who carry deep pain and trauma from Residential Schools.

Message from the Minister



This week, I will be leading worship out at St. Matthew's church in Grand Falls-Windsor, a small congregation that meets once a month. It has been nearly two years to the day since a fire forced them to gut their building and begin the painstaking process of restoration, and in the midst of that work came the pandemic. It is wonderful to be able to worship together again with them.

I'm also glad to be going out west in October. I always love driving out there in the fall, because as you drive off the Avalon the trees slowly transition from evergreen to a mix of deciduous birch, poplar, and maple. The colours are invigorating and beautiful, and the hills and ocean views keep things interesting. This is good, because it's a four hour drive one way!

Each time I drive out there, I'm struck by just how quickly I leave my normal driving areas behind. I am truly a spoiled townie, living two minutes from the grocery store and a fifteen minute walk away from the church means that even a drive down to Topsail Road feels far. As soon as I pass the highway turnoff for highway 2, I'm out of my normal "zone".

How easy it is for us to think that we've got the lay of the land. When Peter and Andrew were casting their nets into the sea that morning Jesus called them to be his first disciples, they probably thought they had a lifetime's worth of fishing ahead of them. They would have been familiar with the sea of Galilee, their boat, their nets, the other fishermen around them. But how quickly all that changed! How fast God showed them that there were things they'd never seen nor dreamt of waiting for them just past the horizon.

May you believe in the God who makes things new. May you follow Jesus with courage, and accept that following Christ so often means travelling on unfamiliar roads. But as I drive out west, so quickly finding myself on less-familiar roads, I know that Christ is with me, and waits for me at the end of the road. In Christ, we are led on new and unfamiliar paths, but we will never walk them alone. That's Good News for us today, isn't it!

-David

From the Board, Session and Treasurer

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 Oct 17th 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

Report to the end of September 2021

We are now into October and I'd like to let you know where we stand fiscally. Let me start out by saying that at the beginning of the year, we had money in the bank mainly due to the year that was 2020. That year we received \$40,000 from the federal government, \$30,000 from the St. Aiden's Fund and before April 2020 we ran up our line of credit to its full \$10,000 limit. In 2020 we also had six months without the services of Monica McNeill and Brian Way and our heat was turned off for six months. That was 2020.

This is 2021, after three quarters of the year we had \$114,895.07 coming in, and by the time this week's cheques are all cashed we will have paid out \$169,404.34. That's a variance of \$55,000. With the extra money we had in the bank at the beginning of 2021, we still have \$16,721.73 in our bank account.

There are still some things we have not yet paid for: the Synod charges, expected invoices from Babbs for the tower door, charges to get our furnace working again, our accountant's invoice, extra Irving Oil charges, and the

regular payrolls. (Why extra Irving charges? We are on an annual plan. Last year we did not use the normal amount of oil, so our monthly charges dropped from \$2,200 to \$1,066. I am calculating what our top-up will be come November and you can count on there being one.)

The line of credit was paid in full and the sinking fund for the \$30,000 we have to pay back to the federal government now contains \$12,009.

Generally, we do well in the run up to Christmas. I am hoping that continues for 2021 as I ask for your continued support.

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.



A huge **THANK YOU** to all who contributed to our Thanksgiving Food Drive on Saturday, October 9th!

Despite it being a miserable day with high winds, low temperatures, off and on rain, brief periods of sunshine, it was a great day! Some people hovered behind the hedge in the breezeway and were not too cold but for those who made a presence on the parking lot or in front of the church, it was a different matter altogether!

Approximately twenty (20) crates of food were collected and cash donations of \$655.00 received, which made the effort worthwhile! We hope to do another Food Drive in late Spring or early Summer 2022 when conditions should be more conducive for people to participate.

HOWEVER, the need for assistance is ongoing! At this time of year, with winter approaching and, dare I say it, Christmas not too far off, many clients have to contend with extra expenses of heat, light and the ever-increasing cost of food!

So, **PLEASE** continue to support Bridges To Hope and its programs through donations of non-perishable food items, cash or gift cards. Watch the weekly Bulletin for supermarket “specials” which are generally good items for inclusion in Food Hampers.

THANK YOU again for all your help – it is sincerely appreciated!

As Lillian said, Saturday was a rainy, cold, and windy day, but as you can see from the pictures, spirits were high! And a big thank-you to all the folks at Elizabeth Towers who, with the help of Kay Scott and Eric Cumby, got together and contributed many items to the Food Drive!



Janet Aitken Accepts our First Donation



Eun Go and Janet Aitken Dressed For the Weather



Lillian and Eleanor There to Lend a Hand



More Worker Bees – Stewart Gillies, Aubrey Bonnell Becky and
Leith Quinton



Just Some of the Donations



And More!

This Week's "Specials"

(Oct 14 – 20)

Good buys for Food Trolley!

Sobeys

Kraft Dinner - \$0.97

Barilla Pasta - \$0.88

Lawtons

Heinz Tomato Soup – 2/\$1.20

Walmart

Campbell's Soup - \$0.57

Lancia Pasta - \$0.87

Dominion

Green Giant Vegetables - \$0.99

No Frills

Heinz Beans - \$0.97

Catelli Pasta - \$0.97

Holiday Luncheon Meat - \$0.97

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations(October 17th-23rd)

Special birthday wishes to Jim Steele who will be celebrating his birthday on October 17th. Jim is a faithful and treasured member of our Church family. Even though we can't be with you and Heather as you celebrate, know that everyone here at St. David's wishes you a very Happy Birthday and we will be thinking of you on Saturday! We miss you Jim and we hope to see you soon. In the meantime, best wishes and enjoy your special day with all your friends at Tiffany!

Happy Birthday to Jean Patey who will be celebrating her birthday with family and friends on October 22nd. Jean is the daughter of Heather and Bob Patey and the granddaughter of Sylvia and Bob Taylor. From all the folks here at St. David's, we wish you a very Happy Birthday Jean! We hope you have a wonderful day!

Happy Birthday greetings go out to Emily Critch who will be celebrating her birthday on October 18th. Emily is the daughter of Jennifer and Paul Critch and the granddaughter of Jean and Clayton Collins. With lots of family and friends, near and far to help you celebrate, we know it will be a wonderful day. Best wishes Emily from everyone here at St. David's!

Birthday greetings go out to Timothy Bassler who will be celebrating his birthday on October 21st. Timothy will be celebrating his special day with his mom and dad, Sarah and Paul Bassler, his siblings, Julia and Alexander, his grandfather, Gerhard Bassler and of course all his aunts and uncles and cousins, near and far. Happy Birthday Timothy from your St. David's family! We hope you have a great birthday!

Happy Birthday greetings to Matthew Hudson who will be celebrating his birthday on October 22nd. Matthew is the son of Michele and Geoffrey Hudson and grandson of Sylvia and Dave Hudson. Best wishes Matthew from your St. David's family!

Happy Anniversary to Meghan and David Mochulski who will be celebrating their 3rd anniversary on October 18th! Meghan is the daughter of Olive and Charlie Goobie. Congratulations and best wishes on your anniversary from all the folks here at St. David's!

A beautiful Birthday greeting to Jim Steele from his daughter, Heather Morrissey:

"Happy 97th birthday to this wonderful gentle man~ who I am blessed to call my Dad ~ every good wish is wished for you today and everyday, Dad!" H xx



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

Belated Thank-You to Heather Kao!

Thank-you Heather for your musical contribution to our Church service last week. Everyone here at St. David's loves to have you here! Heather is a great friend and supporter of St. David's and is always there to help out whenever asked. Thanks so much!

We welcome Rev. Krunys on Sunday morning and thank him for leading the worship service while Rev. Sturtevant is leading worship in Grand Falls.

AMS news "SOCKTOBER!!!! There are only three Sundays left! Wouldn't you love to see our line in the church filled with lots of cozy socks for men, women and children, plus personal care items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, and feminine hygiene products. At the end of the month all donations will be distributed to local organizations who care for the vulnerable in our community. The three pairs of socks and four soap need company!

Cemetery Fund

Below is a note from Judy Woolridge (Barnes) regarding the Cemetery Fund. Judy sits on the General Protestant Cemetery Committee that oversees the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the General Protestant, Mount Pleasant and Memorial Gardens Cemeteries in St. John's. Judy is St. David's representative on this important Committee, serving on the Executive Committee and as Secretary of the Board. They meet monthly between September and June. We appreciate all the work she and the other members do to ensure these cemeteries are kept neat and tidy. For many of us, they are the final resting place for our family members. St. David's, along with other churches in the St. John's area, makes an annual contribution to the General Protestant Cemetery Committee.

From Judy.....

Each Year we receive monies from the 18 churches under the umbrella of the General Protestant Cemetery Board.

The funds are used for general maintenance, snow clearing, lawn mowing, purchase and upkeep of columbariums in the 3 cemeteries.

Since COVID-19, we have missed the annual contributions that our memorial services bring in over the summer months.

Extra work was required this year especially at Topsail Rd Cemetery after hurricane Larry cracked off many large trees and branches.

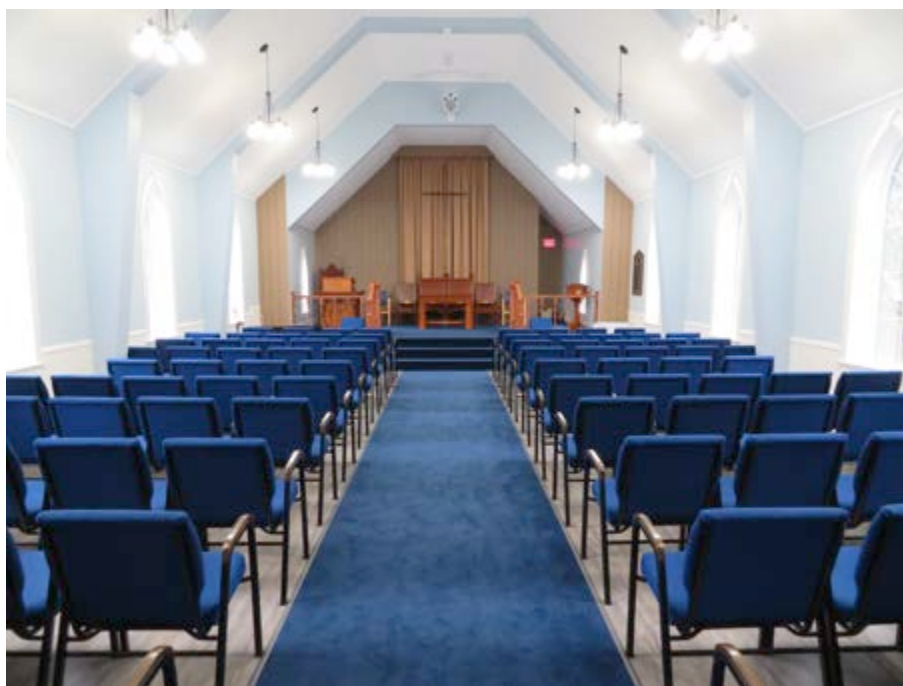
We appreciate all and any donations we receive to continue to maintain the cemeteries.

*Regards,
Judy Barnes.*

News from St. Matthew's, Grand-Falls–Windsor

I got this lovely note from Lynne Allan this past week along with some pictures that I'm sure you'll enjoy. It's always great to hear from her and hear the news from Grand- Falls-Windsor. Thanks Lynne and congratulations to you and your congregation on your re-opening service this Sunday! We'll be thinking of you!

Good news from Grand Falls-Windsor! Almost two years to the day since fire, smoke and water destroyed the sanctuary of St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church (Oct. 18, 2019), the congregation will gather for a re-opening service this Sunday. We are hoping COVID numbers in the area continue to decrease so nothing interferes with holding it. Rev. David Sturtevant, our interim moderator, will lead the service which will include a baptism. What a wonderful way to begin this new chapter in the life of St. Matthew's. Thank you to St. David's for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.



Inside St. Matthew's – Looking Towards the Front



Inside St. Matthew's – Looking Towards the Back



Inside St. Matthew's – Closeup of the Pulpit Area

Joss Wood and Constable William Moss (Part II)

Last week, we heard about the history of Constable William Moss. This week we find out about the William Moss Memorial Softball Tournament and the role our own Joss Wood played in making that a success for many years.

The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary hosted the annual Constable William Moss Memorial Softball Tournament for 21 years and this tournament had become one of Newfoundland and Labrador's most unique and most sought after minor softball tournaments.

Cst. William Moss was tragically killed in March, 1959 during the International Woodworkers of America at Badger that eventually became known as the "Badger Riot". Cst. Moss was struck on the head with a piece of pulpwood during a melee on March 10, 1959. He was taken to hospital in Grand Falls but died two days later.

A logger was arrested and charged with murdering Cst. Moss but was eventually acquitted by a 12-man jury in the Newfoundland Supreme Court.

Vida Hounsell of Glovertown, mother of the late Cst. Moss later unveiled a commemorative plaque in his honour during special ceremonies at the old Newfoundland Constabulary headquarters at Fort Townshend on May 12, 1971.

In 1980, when the Crime Prevention Unit was formed, the mandate was for more community involvement by the police force. This tournament was started to create a closer relationship with members of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary and the youth of the community.

Constable Gary Browne, who is now retired Deputy Chief Gary Browne, and Peter Harvey, who was president of Softball Newfoundland at the time, came up with the idea of a softball tournament as a way of getting the community together. They decided to name it the Constable William Moss Memorial Softball Tournament because it would always remind the kids of

the great sacrifice made by a member of the Constabulary in the line of duty.

The Crime Prevention Unit, in conjunction with the St. John's Department of Parks and Recreation, initiated a female division of the Cst. William Moss Memorial Tournament in 1987. This division was started by Sherry Morrissey, Joan Mercer and Constable Georgina Short.

The most significant changes over the years was the constant growth and development of the teams taking part, along with the considerable increase in the number of participants. In 1980, approximately 75 minor softball players comprising six teams took part in a two day event. In 2000, that number had climbed to an estimated 360 players taking part – with male and female teams – it was a 24 team tournament that lasted one week (seven days).

Browning Harvey Limited (Pepsi Cola) has always been the major sponsor.

We considered the Cst. William Moss Memorial Tournament as one of the finest youth events held within the province, this particular tournament fills several vital roles in addition to providing great athletic activity for a wide range of young people.

It certainly reached the original objective for which it was established. It remembered a fine young Newfoundland policeman, Constable William Moss, the only member of the Newfoundland Constabulary to die in the line of duty.

It had become one of the most prestigious and largest softball tournaments within the province, providing a large number of young ball players with the encouragement to work hard (while having fun) and achieve a new level of success.

Because of expanded support, especially by Browning Harvey Limited (Pepsi-Cola) and also from a wide range of other groups and individuals, the

tournament was able to provide a long list of valuable awards and deserved recognition for a rather large group of young athletes.

This tournament provided an excellent opportunity for young people and the police to get together in an atmosphere that was very conducive to improving relationships between the two groups.

This tournament had undoubtedly gained the distinction of being the largest and best minor softball tournament in the province, largely due to the efforts of the community and The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

While members of the Constabulary fill the leadership roles, we were strongly supported by volunteers, like Jen Adams, Joss Wood (Browning Harvey Ltd.), Jim, Danielle and Steve Pratt and many other supporters within the softball community.

The drive for sportsmanship, strong organization, administration and a program of well-directed recognition, are cited as the main reasons for the popularity that the Constable William Moss Tournament enjoyed.

Note:

The Major Sponsor of the Tournament has always been BROWNING HARVEY LTD.

BHL originally provided a participant's medal to the male tournament. In 1987 a female division was started and medals were also given to both Male and Female Divisions. The tournament eventually changed from a participant's medal to all participants receiving a ball cap with the Tournament Logo (which included the Browning Harvey Ltd. Logo). The Awards for the Championship Teams in the Male and Female Divisions were also sponsored by Browning Harvey Ltd. Browning Harvey also helped with the Canteen with soft drinks and allowing the Tournament to have access to the 7UP trailer.

And from Softball Newfoundland:

Browning Harvey (Pepsi) Limited, through the personal leadership of Mr. Josh Wood, became the main sponsor of the tournament from day one, but the entire sporting endeavour was truly a community effort by police officers, dedicated volunteers, business sponsors and the City of St. John's. To this day, Pepsi is the Grand Slam sponsor of the event, and for that continued commitment to the youth of our province, Browning Harvey is to be commended.

Due to operational human resource demands the constabulary had to curtail the Moss Tournament in 2000, but thanks to a Newfoundland Softball Legend-Ross Crocker, along with Joe Lake, Don Power, and Bob Gulliver-restarted the event in 2002 with the full support of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary, the tournament continues to be the best minor league sporting event in Newfoundland and Labrador today, with as many as 30 boys and girls teams participating each year.

Many thanks to Constable Georgina Short for her help with this article and for being such a good friend to both Gracie and Joss!

Below are a few pictures..



Joss at the Canteen



Appreciation Plaque from Browning Harvey, 1993

Archival Moment

Last week, we showed you a picture of the WA Christmas (2006?) Luncheon at Edith Peach's house and asked you to figure out who was in this picture that wasn't in the previous week's picture. The answer was, Catherine Picco. Catherine was sitting in the front row between Betty Wood and Bouwina Fogwill. Have another look...



WA Christmas (2006?) Luncheon at Edith Peach's Home #2

This week, in honour of Jim Steele's 97th birthday on October 17th, we look back to 2 years ago when he celebrated his 95th birthday at the Church! It was a grand day with the congregation joining in the celebration. Heather supplied a beautifully decorated cake and the day was enjoyed by all! Happy Birthday Jim!



Heather and Jim



Jim's 95th Birthday Cake



Steve, Jim and David

Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: In August 1788, what happened? Hint: it involved British Army manoeuvres.

The answer is: The company of infantry that John Jones served in was transferred back to Plymouth England.

This week the question is: In that year the little congregation asked him to return to Newfoundland as their minister. Who offered more monetarily the little congregation or the British Army?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: When did St. David's purchase the home next door (96 Elizabeth Ave.)?

The answer is: A valued member of St. David's, Ada Barnes, died and left her house to the church. That house was sold and the little house next door was bought in 1979.

This week the question is: Who are the current members of the congregation involved in the St. David's Group Home Ltd., i.e. the Ada Barnes House?

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.

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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) – Ernst Rollmann

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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