



## Sunday January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022

Our Sunday service is at 11 am and this week we will 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 January 2, 2022” into Google.

**Church Office Hours:** Rev. Sturtevant is on Christmas vacation in Ontario until January 14<sup>th</sup> 2022. For pastoral care, please contact the office and leave a message on the church’s phone number (722-2382), contact one of the elders or mail us at [stdavids@nfld.com](mailto:stdavids@nfld.com)

**Prayer Partnership:** The Presbyterian Church in Canada offers a prayer partnership that may form part of a daily devotional, please consider these prayer partnerships:

**Saturday, January 1 (New Year's Day)** We begin the year in gratitude to God and for God's presence with us, and we pray for a more just and loving world where we witness God's righteousness, mercy and grace.

**Sunday, January 2** We give thanks for the programs that respond to hunger around the world that are supported by the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

**Monday, January 3** We pray for God's guidance for students studying at the church's theological colleges.

**Tuesday, January 4** We give thanks for the work of The Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives staff.

**Wednesday, January 5** We pray for Hummingbird Ministries in Vancouver, British Columbia, and give thanks for the Director, the Rev. Mary Fontaine, who is called by her community to pray, advocate and intervene in times of deep sorrow, isolation and loss.

**Thursday, January 6 (Epiphany)** Source of Wisdom and Creator of the heavens who led the Magi to worship the Christ child, guide us so that we may find our calling and journey's end in Jesus Christ.

**Friday, January 7** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Kootenay in British Columbia.

**Saturday, January 8** We pray for the committees of the General Assembly as they discern what God is calling the church to say, learn and do.

## **Message From the Minister**

Rev. Sturtevant and his family are currently in Ontario spending some of the Christmas holidays with their families and friends. The Minister's Message will return the middle of January.

## **From the Board, Session and Treasurer**

### **In-person Church Services**

St. David's has again suspended our in-person church service. We are following the guidance of Public Health and our own Covid-19 Best Practices Committee. We hope to move back to in-person services when it is safe to do so.

### **Getting the Service and Bulletin using our website**

This bulletin is placed on our website as soon as the Rollmann family receives a copy on Friday morning. The website is [stdavids.nf.ca](http://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 Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**Can We Help?** Do you need help getting your QR code or getting it in the format you want (on your phone, a paper copy or a wallet size copy)? Do you need help with any small jobs around the house or garden? Do you need any help getting groceries perhaps? Or maybe you would just like to

have a chat with an elder? If so, give the church a call at 722-2382 or email us at [stdavids@nfld.com](mailto:stdavids@nfld.com) and we'll see what we can do to help.

## Treasurer's Report, Session and Board of Managers (BoM) Update

### Treasurer's Notes

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.

We have received the first box of envelopes for 2022. I'm expecting the second box any day. If you received a boxed set of envelopes last year, we have you on our radar for this year, please contact me at [acalver@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:acalver@nf.sympatico.ca) and I'll find a way to get your envelopes to you.

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

**Year-End Donations:** The year 2021 is quickly winding down and if you would like to ensure your 2021 donations are included with this year's income tax, please make sure your:

- donation arrives at the church by **noon January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021**;
- cheque is dated **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2021 or earlier**;
- E-transfer is made **on or before December 31<sup>st</sup> 2021** to be included in 2021.

Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

## **Session – January Services 2022**

Our church welcomes Rev. Jim Russell for the next 3 Sundays while Rev. Sturtevant is in Ontario. Session would like to thank Rev. Russell for taking our services. It's always a pleasure to have him with us – even virtually – and we look forward to sharing the start of the New Year with him!

## **Board of Managers – Church Administrator's Position**

The Board and Session will start actively looking for a new church administrator soon. A job description is available, we're still considering job web sites for advertising and distributing it. We will be asking for applicants to apply.

## **Bridges to Hope**

As we come to the end of another year, **Bridges To Hope** extends its thanks and appreciation to everyone at St. David's for their continuing support!

Weekly donations of non-perishable food items, cash/gift card donations go a long way in assisting us with our programs, particularly during the winter season when expenses for many of our clients are at their highest!

The need for help extends beyond Christmas which is why your contributions are invaluable! We know that the year ahead will still be challenging but with your ongoing participation, we will endeavour to help those in our community who are in need.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations**

Happy Birthday greetings to Stephen McKenzie who will be celebrating his birthday on January 8<sup>th</sup>. Stephen is the son of Cynthia and David McKenzie. Best wishes Stephen for a great day spent with family and friends. Congratulations from everyone here at St. David's!

Belated birthday wishes go out to Kay Korpel who celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 28<sup>th</sup>! Kay is a treasured friend of many here at St. David's. She is a great supporter of many of the Church groups including Good Companions (a wicked bowler!), a member of the Atlantic Mission Society (AMS), and a fabulous knitter for the Prayer Shawl group. Kay and her husband, Cornelius (d. 2017), had three children – Rita, Michael and Ariane. All three live with their families here in Newfoundland – CBS, Clarenville and St. John's respectively. And how can we not mention her sister – Bouwina! More than sisters, they are the best of friends and we rarely see one without the other. We know that Kay's family made her 90<sup>th</sup> a very special day! Congratulations Kay from your St. David's family! We hope you had a wonderful day and may there be many more birthdays to come!

**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**

## **Note From TSO**

This past week, ken Templeton received a note from Kerri MacPhee from the TSO that we would like to share with you. Take note of the link...

*Good day everyone!*

*I wanted to send out a small video that myself and the TSO put together this year for the congregation of St. David's. Ken, we are ever grateful for the St. David's partnership and sharing your space with us. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We also included the clip from last year as an added bonus in case some of the congregation never saw it. Ken, would it be possible to pass this onto the mailing list for the church if such a list exists? Please feel free to pass this message on to whomever manages correspondence. Thank you.*

[TSO Thank You Video 2021](#)

OR copy and paste the following link into your search bar

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=icMfXmHVWr8>

*Best wishes to you all, family and friends.*

Kerri

## **News From Smithers**

I received a lovely Email from Penny this past week. She and Stewart are currently in Smithers British Columbia celebrating Christmas with their daughter, Joanna, and her family. Penny says it is VERY cold there right at the moment with temperatures dropping to -32 Celsius! Seems like everyone is having tons of fun though, including the pets – Max, the cat and dogs, Scout and Rosie! Here are a couple of pictures from Penny, including one of a moose they encountered not far from their house! Enjoy your visit!!



Penny and Stewart Dressed for the Cold

Home in Smithers



Christmas Scenery

Mountains in Background



Moose

Archival Moment

First a correction from last week. I incorrectly identified the boys in the picture as Dave Picco and Scott Bonnell. Eleanor sent a little note saying that is wasn't Dave Picco but his brother, Chris. Sorry for the mix-up. Here's the picture again with Scott Bonnell on the left and Chris Picco on the right. You



can never get tired of seeing these angels!

Scott Bonnell and Chris Picco

This week, we have a couple of pictures from Sunday, December 16, 2018. This was the Sunday when the new doors and ramp were dedicated. Thanks to Pam Bruce and Hans Rollmann (photographer), we have a couple of exciting moments captured. In the first picture we see Jim Steele, Steve Bruneau and Rev. Sturtevant preparing to cut the ribbon and in the second picture, Jim raises the scissors in victory! A great day for the congregation!



Jim Steele Cuts the Ribbon!

Jim, Steve and David Preparing to  
Cut The Ribbon

## Church Trivia Questions

### Way back when:

**Last week the question was:** What was one of the first things Rev. Ward did on his re-appointment as minister of the Chapel in 1827?

**The answer is:** He began the practice of providing a plate at the church for voluntary contributions in May 1827.

**This week the question is:** |What were those voluntary contributions for?

### Recent History:

**Last week the question was:** Out in the Narthex is an old stand-alone organ. What event this old organ “star” in in 1975?

**The answer is:** The summer picnic turned into an “olde time service” on the barrens with the minister Rev. James Armour and others dressed as they would have in the year 1775. There are pictures!

**This week the question is:** When did Rev. Sturtevant arrive in St. John's to become our minister?

**Do you have any ideas for some church trivia? Email or call the church.**

**Offerings** Your church donations can take many forms including using the Pre-Authorized Donation (PAD), if you'd like to have your donations made using 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 now that things are re-opening. 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:**

**Minister:** Rev. David Sturtevant – Cell phone: **699-3661**

**Church Administrator:** Vacant

**Church Office:** (709) 722-2382

**Church email:** [stdavids@nfld.com](mailto: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:

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

## **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