



Sunday March 6th 2022

Our Sunday service is at 11 am and this week we will meet in person and 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 March 6, 2022" into Google. Copies of the hymns and scripture readings are included in the email sent out each Friday.

Church Office Hours: Rev. Sturtevant's office hours are generally from 10 am to 2 pm from Tuesday to Friday if you'd like to drop by to have a chat with him. For pastoral care or to contact the minister, he can be reached by phone at 699-3661. You can always leave a message on the church's phone number (722-2382) or email us at 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.

Sunday, March 6

The Reformed Church in Transcarpathia, Ukraine, has been struggling to recruit and retain pastors to serve in poor, rural churches. To encourage seminary students to return after studying abroad, the church started the Nest Program, which offers pastors a safe place to live. **Bishop Zán-Fábián was overjoyed when The Presbyterian Church in**



Canada offered financial support to renovate a vacant parish house for the Rev. Sándor and his wife Noémi, who have agreed to serve in the small village of Tiszaújhely. With financial assistance from Presbyterians Sharing, Sándor and Noémi have furnished their house with basic appliances and furniture and can now concentrate on their ministry in Tiszaújhely and give thanks to God.

Sunday, March 6 (First Sunday in Lent) Dear God, help us to order our lives in faithful obedience to you so that we may come to know our weaknesses and appreciate your grace at work in our lives.

Monday, March 7 We pray for the pastors of the Reformed Church in Transcarpathia, Ukraine, who faithfully serve people of Hungarian descent.

Tuesday, March 8 (International Women's Day) We pray for the women of the Women's Missionary Society as they continue to support women in marginalized countries.

Wednesday, March 9 We pray for the members and work of the Assembly Council.

Thursday, March 10 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg Manitoba, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, March 11 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Quebec.

Saturday, March 12 We pray for the ministry of Rockland Community Church near Ottawa, Ontario. May their congregation feel a strong sense of God's presence as they find new ways to share the gospel of Christ with neighbours.

Message From the Minister:



This week, my prayers have been with the people affected by the war in Ukraine. I pray for the men who are fathers like me, forbidden from leaving their country, feeling fortunate if they get to watch their families board a train and leave them behind. I pray for the faithful, seeking a connection to God when they can't leave their basements. There are so many to pray for.

Our church is responding through our international partners to deliver food and supplies, and prepare for the arrival of refugees to Canada. We lift up this prayer for God's children in the Ukraine:

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

From the Board, Session and Treasurer

In-person Church Services March 6th

The COVID-19 restrictions continue to change and if you are in Church this Sunday, you will notice that the floor signage on the sanctuary floor has disappeared. We will continue to stream the service live and place it on YouTube for later viewing. We follow the guidance of Public Health and our own Covid-19 Best Practices Committee (CBPC), as follows:

Services continue in a hybrid (in-person and virtual) format. You do not need to complete an assessment form. If we have checked your VaxPass previously, we do not need to do so again. If you have not had your VaxPass verified, we do need to verify it. Mandatory indoor masking is required at all times for everyone over the age of five, children four years and under are exempt from masking. Please adhere to Public Health guidelines on staying home if you feel sick, are symptomatic, or if you have had an exposure to COVID. Please maintain physical distancing when in church.

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 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 March 6th 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 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 and we'll see what we can do to help.

Treasurer's Notes

I'd like to thank everyone who continues to donate to St. David's through your envelopes on Sunday mornings, by e-transfers, or through your monthly PAD contributions. Thanks also to the 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.

Board of Managers Update

The application for Church Administrator will be going before the Session on March 8th. Stay tuned for some happy news!

Bridges to Hope

With restrictions changing, volunteers are being called back to Bridges To Hope! Over the past few weeks, staff (4) have been dealing with packing food hampers in addition to their regular duties. It has been a very busy time for them!

Now that we can worship in person, please start to bring non-perishable food items to church and place them on the Food Trolley which will be at the entrance to the Sanctuary.

We will continue to print in our bulletin weekly “specials” from the various flyers of grocery/personal care items which are always in demand and useful to BTH clients.

If you wish, items can be dropped off at the church during the week; there is generally someone there, Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 AM. to 2:00 P. M.

The demand for assistance does not diminish! Now, more than ever, your continued support is needed, and very much appreciated. Thank you.

Weekly “Specials”

March 3 – March 9, 2022

Good Buys for Food Trolley

Dominion	Graves/Fairlee Apple/Orange Juice	\$0.99
Walmart	Heinz Canned Beans or Pasta	\$1.27
No Frills	No Name Soup (Four kinds)	\$0.59
Colemans	Heinz Tomato Soup	\$0.77
Lawtons	Clover Leaf Tuna	4/\$5.50
Sobeys	Cashmere Bathroom Tissue (12=24 rolls)	\$5.99

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Condolences

The sympathy of the congregation goes out to Leith and Becky Quinton and family on the loss of Leith's brother-in-law, Terry, who passed away in Toronto recently. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Birth Announcements

We are delighted to announce the birth of Lila Charlotte Sarah Quinton on February 14, 2022! Lila is the daughter of Melissa Smallwood and Josh Quinton, little sister for Ethan Quinton (who turned 2 in October) and a beautiful little grand-daughter for Becky and Leith Quinton. Such good news! Congratulations to the Quinton family and all our love to Lila!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

First, a big whoops on my part! Rev. David's birthday was not the 1st of March but, it is coming up this week – March 13th!! Apologies for making you older, sooner, David. Helping to celebrate his big day will be family and friends – near and far – including his wife, Michelle, and two little sons – Oliver and Orson, and all his family and friends in Ontario. Best wishes David from your St. David's family! We hope you have a great day and enjoy every minute!

Happy (belated) Birthday to a beautiful lady, Sarah Quinton, who turned 100 years old on February 7, 2022! Sarah is the mother of Leith Quinton. Sarah lives in Toronto with her daughter, Karen Quinton (Leith's sister). Congratulations on your milestone birthday, Sarah, from everyone here at St. David's! We wish you much health and happiness. And how wonderful that your newest little great-grand-daughter, Lila, shares your name!

Belated Happy Birthday wishes to Sam Johnson, who celebrated his birthday on February 15th with his daughter, Monica, son in-law, Mike and grand-son, Ben, along with many other family and friends near and far. Sam has been a good friend to St. David's over the years and has made some lasting friendships with members of our Church family. We hope you had a wonderful birthday Sam and may there be many more. From everyone here at St. David's, best wishes for the coming year!

Happy Birthday greetings to Jean Mallowney who is having a birthday on March 12th. Jean will be celebrating her special day with husband, Bob, and her three sons (Robert Jr., James and David) and their families, and her brother Dave Carmichael and his wife, Pat. Jean has always played an active role in the life of St. David's. She is a member of the WA, the Prayer Shawl (Knitter's group) and an avid carpet bowler with our Good Companions Group. Best wishes Jean from your St. David's family! We hope you have a lovely day... we'll be thinking of you!

Happy birthday to Ian Steneker who is celebrating his birthday on March 12th as well. Ian will be celebrating his birthday with family and friends, including his mom and dad, Jane and Rob Steneker and proud grand-father, Hugh Cumming, former Board member and Session elder. We wish Ian a wonderful day spent with family and friends!

Birthday greetings go out to Katherine Hancock who will be celebrating her birthday with family and friends on March 9th. Katherine is the daughter of Roxanne and David Hancock and the grand-daughter of Evelyn and Nowell Melendy, and the grand-niece of Marilyn Reardon and Mildred Greeley. Everyone here at St. David's wishes you a very Happy Birthday Katherine... hope it's a great one!

Happy Birthday to Gracie Wood who will be celebrating her birthday on March 7th! Gracie and Joss are long-time members of St. David's and very dear to many. They have been, and continue to be, involved with many of the groups and activities here at the Church. Gracie was an enthusiastic member of the AMS, the WA, the Quilting Group, and the choir for many years and was a great supporter and worker for many of the events – Church sales, afternoon teas, morning coffees, dinners, garage sales, hampers (especially the fruit baskets), and special commemorative events involving the Choir. We miss you Gracie and look forward to the day when we can be together again for Church and for coffee time. A big Happy Birthday from your St. David's family! We know you and Joss will celebrate your birthday in fine style and we wish you many more birthdays to come! Much love from everyone!

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.

Announcements

Prayer Shawl (Knitter's) Group

The Prayer Shawl (Knitter's) Group, will be meeting on **Tuesday, March 8th at 10:00 AM in the Armour Room**. Everyone is welcome! Just bring along a pair of knitting needles and some wool and be ready to enjoy a couple of hours surrounded by friends!

News from the Pews

Soup Lunch on Wheels -Update

Our "Soup Lunch on Wheels" was held on March 1st, (St. David's Day) which happened to fall on Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day). On the menu this time around was homemade pea soup with rolls and as a special treat – homemade pancakes with syrup! We had 2 chief chefs – Patsy Carmichael and Janet Aitken – who supervised the soup preparation! And many thanks to Janet Aitken and Dorothy French who made all those delicious pancakes for the lunch; to Kathy McKay and Janet C. for the homemade rolls; Lillian for the special little packages of candy treats; our super-duper kitchen helpers – Patsy, Janet A., Eleanor, Penny, Lillian, David, Michelle; and our drivers – Lillian, Kay Scott, Kathy, Penny, and Jennifer. We could not have done it without you! Oh, and a very special thank-you to Fred Richard, head chef at the CLB, who came to our rescue and provided the (hard-to-come-by) soup bowls and lids for our lunch! He's my friend for life!

There was much chatter and laughter among all the volunteers as we peeled, chopped, and stirred. It was so good to have Michelle and Orson come by to help with the preparation and packaging and by the way, Orson is quite the pro when it comes to placing items in the bags!

For those of you who had our “soup on wheels”, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed doing it for you! Until next time!

Homemade Rolls and Pancakes!

One of the great parts of our soup lunch is meeting up with people we have not seen in a while and this was especially true for Kathy McKay. When Kathy dropped off soup for Sylvia and Dave Hudson, who should be visiting with them but Dallas Frost! Many of us at St. David’s know Dallas from way back. Kathy took this lovely picture and we wanted to share it with you!

*Dallas Frost, Dave and
Sylvia Hudson*

Poem From Sheena Findlay

Jesus loves us this we know

For the Bible tells us so.

If Matthew 25 is true,

we love the Lord in serving you.

"Jesus" gave me soup so hot

to tell me I am not forgot.

"Jesus" stood there at my door

with soup so good I wanted more.

Thank-you to God's kitchen crew,

chopping, dicing, tasty brew.

Right there with carrot and with leek,

you were the highlight of my week.

I know that it was not leek but onion,

Alas, that only rhymes with bunion!

But after COVID isolation,

your visit was a celebration!

AMS Meeting

The monthly meeting of the AMS was held after church on Sunday, February 27th in the Armour Room. It was wonderful to get together with members of our group for fellowship time and to catch up on our plans for the coming year. Of course, there was a tasty lunch and a grand cup of tea involved thanks to Penny and Kathy! If you are interested in joining our group, we'd love to see you. Please contact Penny or Kathy for more information.

Left to Right: Sheena, Lillian, Kathy, Penny

Out-and-About with Janet and Brian

We went out for a walk this afternoon in Bowring Park and came upon these two "friends"!

Swans in The Park....

Enjoying Lunch!

Remembering Eric Cumby from Andy Effiong

We received this note from Andy, who asked that we include it in this week's bulletin.....

Remembering Eric Cumby

I remember attending St. David's for the first time back in the spring of 2019. Here I was in the midst of people that I did not know. But one person, in particular, seemed genuinely interested in making me feel welcome. That person was Eric Cumby. Eric was a fine gentleman. Eric reminded me of my grandfather. Eric called me Brooklyn. I remember the day I wore a fedora hat to St. David's. Right after service, Eric came over and thus began our conversation about hats, different types of hats. During Christmas of last year, I kept thinking about Eric. I had sent out handwritten notes to some family and friends. I meant to send one to Eric, but I never did. And then, two weeks ago, I started thinking about Eric again. The last I had seen Eric was just before Christmas. I finally decided to write Eric to tell him how much he had touched me. For he had touched me through his presence and kindness towards me. Sadly, Eric passed away before I could send him the letter.

In a world where people often do not just accept others and appreciate differences. In a church where we do not always believe the best of one another. In a world where some often have unrealistic expectations and constantly search for perfection. In a world where people often construct a schema or are prone to dichotomous thinking, Eric consciously believed that we are all God's children, created in Christ Jesus for good works.

Eric, I wish I could have told you this during our random chats. But God knows best. I will miss you, Eric.

Love and Light,

Andy

Your Weekly Smile – or Groan

Here's this week's chuckles or groaners...

Why did Adam and Eve do math every day? They were told to be fruitful and multiply.

How did Joseph make his coffee? *Hebrewed* it.

What's a miracle that can be done by a complainer? Turning anything into *whine*.

Archival Moment

This week, thanks to Pam Bruce and her work with the archives, we have a picture of some of the members of the St. David's 1st Cub Pack, 1978-1979. Unfortunately, there are no names to go with the picture. Do you know who these young boys are? If so, let me know!



St. David's 1st Cub Pack, 1978-1979

Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: In 1829, a bill passed in the British Parliament called the Roman Catholic Relief Bill. It took a while for this to make a difference in Newfoundland. What was again legal to do in the Chapel in 1833?

The answer is: It was again legal for a marriage to be performed by other than the Anglican church. The first wedding in the chapel was between Thomas B. Job (some may remember Job and Co.) and Jessie Carson, youngest daughter of Dr. William Carson.

This week the question is: In 1834 a new chapel was built and opened in Quidi Vidi. On July 30, 1834 the Anglican minister, Rev. Bridge conducted the morning service and the afternoon service was done by Rev. Ward. What kind of controversy followed?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: The WMS supported various groups including the C. G. I. T. at St. David's. What was the name behind those letters?

The answer is: This generated two correct answers from Bob Taylor and Heather Morrissey. They knew the C.G.I.T. stood for Canadian Girls in Training.

This week the question is: This has nothing at all to do with our recent history, but what was named after Jessie Carson's father. See the "Way Back When" answer above!

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. 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 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:

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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

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 Sue Templeton

Janet Calver Kathy McKay Tanya Shalaby

Penny Gillies Steve Bruneau Ian Bruneau

Aubrey Bonnell Eleanor Bonnell Jenny Griffioen

Jennifer Waterman Ed Vanderkloet

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