



## **Sunday July 17th Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Our normal Sunday service is at 11 am and we meet in person. While you are not required to wear masks we respectfully ask that you continue to wear your masks while in our building. The service is available on Zoom in real time and is also available via YouTube. This week the four readings are:

Colossians 1: 15-28

Psalm 52

Amos 8: 1-12

Luke 10: 38-42

**Church Office Hours:** The church office is open from 9 am to 1 pm weekdays. For pastoral care or to contact the minister, please phone 699-3661. You can always leave a message on the church's phone number (722-2382) or email us at [stdavids@nfld.com](mailto:stdavids@nfld.com).

## **Mission Moment – Sunday, July 17th**

**Presbyterians Sharing is empowering women leaders through theological education in Malawi.** Bright and capable Malawian women often face obstacles in pursuing higher education, including those that arise as a result of economic and gender-based reasons. Recognizing the gender gap and the need for more female leaders, the PCC agreed to financially support Miriam and Roselyn, teachers from Blantyre, in completing a two-year, part-time Master of Theology in Ministry Studies. This graduate program is a collaboration between Aberdeen University and Zomba Theological College. With deep faith and eagerness to learn, we look forward to how God will use Miriam and Roselyn in churches, colleges or other opportunities!

### **From St. David's Auxiliary (Atlantic Mission Society)**

Powerful God, we raise before you the many people around the world who struggle to provide for their own needs and those of their families. We pray for women in Malawi who are saving together, accessing loans, starting small businesses and building sustainable livelihoods with support from PWS&D's partners. Thank you for the impact of this program.

***Prayer No. 62 – Taken from OVERFLOWING - Prayers for a More Sustainable, Compassionate and Just World, published in recognition of PWS&D's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary!***

**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 17** We pray for female theological students who are overcoming obstacles and pursuing higher education at Zomba Theological College in Malawi.

**Monday, July 18** We pray for farmers in Guatemala who are learning how to prepare nutritional food from their gardens with support from the PCC through Presbyterian World Service & Development partners.

**Tuesday, July 19** We pray for the Canadian Council of Churches as member churches witness together to the unity of Christ's church.

**Wednesday, July 20** We give thanks and pray for archivists who work to preserve and care for the historical records of the church.

**Thursday, July 21** We pray for wisdom to care for the earth and act now as God's stewards for the good of future generations and all of God's creatures.

**Friday, July 22** We pray for Westside Presbyterian Church in Cambridge, Ontario, as the congregation undergoes the search process for their next minister, and for Interim Moderator, the Rev. Megan Penfold.

**Saturday, July 23** We pray for the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora, Ontario, and give thanks for the Director, Yvonne Bearbull, who is called by her community to pray, advocate and intervene in times of deep sorrow, isolation and loss.



## Message from the Minister:

*David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of [Goliath]; your servant will go and fight him."*

*Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth." (1 Samuel 17:32-33)*

This week's picture comes from Oliver's pen; he drew a card himself for his friend's birthday, complete with a picture of his friend on the front of the card. It was received with joy and hugs, and earned praise from Michelle and I for how well the portrait was drawn.

If we're honest though, it's not exactly an accurate anatomical sketch. If I were to submit this picture to a portraiture competition, it would not earn a very high score. It is beautiful for what it is, a child's drawing.

When we grow up, we tend to stop drawing pictures like this. For some of us, like my wife, we learn how to make better and more accurate art and stop drawing with sticks for arms and legs. But for most of us, we don't really get much better, we just stop trying out of embarrassment. A stick-figure card is cute from a 4-year-old, but 40-year-olds tend to just buy prettier cards from Hallmark.

I think that's a loss for the 40+-year-olds though. One of the most important strengths that children have is their willingness to try things they are bad at. If I fell over every three steps, I would give up trying to walk. If I couldn't manage a spoon without spilling, I'd have a fit. If my drawings don't come out the way I want them to, I hide them and never try again.

When we follow Christ, we will end up trying new things. Oftentimes, that will be uncomfortable. We will be worried about looking foolish. We sing hymns together and worry about our neighbours hearing us botching the melody. Helping strangers often breaks social norms and can feel awkward. Asking someone if they want prayer can get you a weird look. When we follow Christ, we end up trying new things, new patterns of living, new ways of treating those around us. When we do this, we will have mis-steps. We will make mistakes. You always do when you're trying something new.

*Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 18:3)*

May you embarrass yourself this week by following Jesus in your own amateurish way. May you make efforts towards uncertain results, and be less concerned with perfection and image than you are with expressing your faith and love. May those around you see that you are not afraid of other people's judgements. Progress, not perfection, is the goal. And as you put in your imperfect efforts, may you know that God sees you with the proud and loving eyes of a parent. What Good News that is for us!

## **From the Session, Treasurer, and Church Office**

### **Treasurer's Notes**

How can you donate monthly by PAD? 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. As treasurer I'd certainly 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.

**The sole email address we are using to accept donations is through [stdavidsnfld@gmail.com](mailto:stdavidsnfld@gmail.com) and it is linked to our bank account and it automatically accept all donations.**

### **From the Church Office**

If you have any announcements for the weekly bulletin, please reach out to me either by phone or email before noon on Thursdays. I will do my very best to get your announcement in the bulletin for the Friday afternoon email distribution.

**I am pleased to advise, that copies of the Presbyterian Connection Summer Edition are available just outside the office. Please help yourself ~ thank you!**

## **St. David's Church Announcements**

### **Condolences**

Last week condolences were given from the congregation for James Jack Sharp, who passed away on June 7, 2022 at the Ardnahein Care Home in Dunoon Scotland, at the age of 82. A close colleague of Dr. Sharp, Leonard Lye, sent a recording of Dr. Sharp to a member of our Session that is available to anyone who wishes to view it. Please contact Heather in the office and she will forward it. And a reminder that a celebration of Dr. Sharp's life will be held on September 10, 2022 at 1:00 pm at the old Battery Hotel.



## **Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations**

**Happy Birthday to Joss Wood** who will be celebrating his birthday on July 17<sup>th</sup>! Joss is a long time member of St. David's. Joss played an active role in the life of our congregation and was an elder for many years before retiring from Session. He continues to support and take a keen interest in Church activities and events. Both Grace and Joss are an important part of our St. David's family and we look forward to that day when they are back in Church and sharing a laugh and a chat at coffee time. Best wishes, Joss, from everyone here at St. David's and we hope you have a wonderful day with many more birthdays to come!

**Happy Birthday greetings on July 22<sup>nd</sup> to Brad Burness!** Brad will be celebrating his birthday with his family and friends, including wife, Heather and children, Sophie and Max, mother, Brenda Burness and favourite mother-in-law, Edith Peach. Best wishes for a wonderful birthday, Brad, from everyone here at St. David's and may there be many more!

**Happy Birthday to Katie Bauer** who has a birthday coming up on July 22<sup>nd</sup>! Katie will be celebrating her big day with family and friends, near and far, including her mom and dad, Shelley and Larry, and her brother, Sam. Your St. David's family wishes you a great birthday Katie and all the best for the coming year!

**Happy Birthday to Nathan Barnes!** Nathan will be celebrating his birthday on July 23<sup>rd</sup>! Nathan will be celebrating his special day with his family and friends, including his mom and dad, Martha and Glenn Barnes and sister, Laura. Best wishes Nathan from your St. David's family and from all of us to you – enjoy your day!

**Happy Birthday to Luke Rudofsky** who is having a birthday on July 19<sup>th</sup>! Luke is the son of Michael and Rebecca Rudofsky, brother of Matthew, and grand-son of Judy and Dave Rudofsky. Best wishes Luke from everyone here at St. David's. We hope you enjoy your day and may there be many more birthdays to come!

## **Upcoming Activities**

### **WA Bake-less Bake Sale**

The WA would like to thank all those who donated to the bake-less bake sale. There is still some time to return your envelope or e-transfer your donation to the church and specify that the donation is for the WA. All donations will be issued tax receipts at the end of the year.

## **On-going Activities**

**Muffin Making for Bridges to Hope** How many muffins can three people make in a couple of hours? Eight or nine dozen! Watch this spot to see when the muffin making will start again. All the ingredients are supplied. If you are interested in participating some month, please contact our Administrator, Heather, at 722-2382. It's actually great fun and you may get to taste one!

**Re-cycling** Reduce ..... Reuse ..... Recycle! Yes, St. David's still has an account with Evergreen Recycling! If you would like to donate the proceeds of your recyclables, just enter the Church phone number 722-2382 when you are making a drop-off. Our account will automatically be credited.

**Church Service and Coffee Hour** We'd like to welcome everyone back to church and to the Sunday Coffee Hour after church. The services will continue to be streamed live over Zoom and placed on YouTube for later viewing. We look forward to seeing those we haven't seen for a long time.

# **RE M I N D E R**

## **Joint Food Drive**

For

**BRIDGES TO HOPE**

**Saturday, July 23, 2022**

10 AM – 2 PM

St. David's Church, **98 Elizabeth Avenue**

**RAIN OR SHINE!**

Volunteers are needed to receive and sort food donations. To volunteer, or for more info, contact:

St. David's – Lillian Crawford – 754-2362      or      St. Andrew's – Corinne King – 753-2928

**Cash donations or gift cards are also acceptable and receipts can be provided.**

**Weekly "Specials"**

**July 14 – July 20, 2022**

### **Good Buys for Food Trolley**

Sobeys	Maxwell House Instant Coffee	\$2.99
Pipers	Primo Pasta	\$0.99
	Avon Peas and Carrots	\$0.99
Lawtons	Heinz Tomato Soup	<b>10/\$6.00</b>
	Heinz Beans, Pasta or Kraft Dinner	4/\$5.00
Colemans	Avon Mixed Vegetables	5/\$5.00

## **SPECIAL REQUEST**

Most of the food distributed by Bridges To Hope is "**canned**"! We are still seeing quite a few clients who don't have a can opener so it would be nice to have some on hand for those situations. If you are able to help, the can openers may be put on the Food Trolley and they will go to Bridges To Hope with our weekly food donations. Thank you for your generous support.

## **Outside Announcements and Activities**

**The General Protestant Cemetery Trustee Board Inc.** would like to advise the Congregation of the remaining dates and times for this summer's Memorial Services. They are as follows:

General Protestant Cemetery, Topsail Road

~ **Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7:00pm**

Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 25 Beaumont Hamel Way

~ **Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 7:00pm**

### **Please note:**

In the event of inclement weather, the services will move ahead to the next evening at 7:00pm. Thank you.

## **A note from our Music Director, Brian Way ...**

Hi Folks,

Hope you are doing well and enjoying the summertime. Just writing regarding a wonderful **Andrew Lloyd Webber musical theatre piece "Tell Me On A Sunday"** which is coming to the St. John's Arts Centre later this month. Featuring Wendy Woodland, this one-woman show is appropriate for all ages. You can find further event information on the ACC website. Please share with your colleagues, parents, students, and friends.

Thank you, B

(A poster for this event is on the notice board in the tower foyer.)

## **Crypt Tea Room**

The Anglican Cathedral Crypt Tea Room is happy to once again present Tea To Your Table – our takeout afternoon teas, coming this summer for pickup on July 30 or August 20.

Tea To Your Table is a takeout tea, which can be enjoyed at home or on the go (Small Box for \$20 serves up to 2 people; Large Box for \$35 serves up to 4). Packages include everything you need: scones, tea biscuits, breads, and squares; jam, butter, knives, and napkins; and we'll provide the tea bags – you provide the hot water!

Place your order at 726-5677 or email [office@ourcathedral.ca](mailto:office@ourcathedral.ca). All orders must be pre-booked and pre-paid by the Monday before each pickup day (July 25 and August 15)

## From the Archives

This week, we still have a “choir theme” but from a different perspective. We believe this photo was from the late 1950’s. It was taken at a “Choir Party” at the home of Barbara Rose who lived at 27 Pine Bud Avenue. There are lots of familiar names and faces and we hope it brings back some good memories.

Thanks Pam for another wonderful archival picture!



Back Row (left to right): Doug Bowering, ?, Fred Morrissey, Harold Hammond, Florence Bartlett, Barbara Rose, Bill Elton

Middle Row (left to right): Bert Penney, Jean Bowering, Valda Morrissey, Millie Hammond, Donald Cook, Allistair Drysdale, Tom Stevens

Front Row (left to right): Winnie Penney, Barbara Cahill, Rowena Bartlett, Dallas Frost

## Church Trivia Questions

### Way back when:

**Last week the question was:** Which member of a long-time church family served as a teacher in Twillingate?

**The answer is:** Miss Elizabeth Chancey was the teacher at the day-school in Twillingate. The church had bought a building, formerly the Commercial School, as their place of worship and for the school.

**This week the question is:** After being in Twillingate for two years, the pastor was rehired but was asked to desist of what? And why?

### Recent History:

**Last week the question was:** What activity for the local community caused a participant's mother to exclaim "I didn't know Christians were so nice!"?

**The answer is:** Several years ago, St. David's held a Vacation Bible Camp. There were over thirty children from ages 4 to 14 at the church for several days. At the last session, the parents of the children also came along for the final sing-a-long. It was one of those parents who said "I didn't know Christians were so nice!"

**This week the question is:** What year was that and what was set-up in the sanctuary?

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

**How to reach us:**

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

**Music Director:** Brian Way

**Church Administrator:** Heather Steele Morrissey

**Church Office:** (709) 722-2382 ~ Monday – Friday 9:00 to 1:00

**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**

**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	Sue Templeton	
Janet Calver	Kathy McKay	Tanya Shalaby
Penny Gillies	Steve Bruneau	Ian Bruneau
Aubrey Bonnell	Eleanor Bonnell	Jenny Griffioen
Jennifer Waterman	Ed Vanderkloet	

**Board of Managers:** the members of the Board are:

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**Treasurer:** Anne Calver

**Envelope Secretary:** Ian Bruneau