



Sunday July 31st Eighth 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.

Church Office Hours: The church office is open from 9 am to 1 pm weekdays with the exception of statutory holidays.

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.

Mission Moment – Sunday, July 31st

God has done amazing things at Montreal West Presbyterian Church in Quebec! Over the past few years, with support from Presbyterians Sharing, the church has transitioned into a thriving multicultural ministry filled with energy and hope. Though the congregation has already done much good work in bringing a new vision and vitality to the church, they aren't stopping there. They have their sights set to the future, wholeheartedly embracing youth ministry and seeing and treating their youth as the leaders of tomorrow. This new focus on youth ministry has youth participating in all levels of governance and worship leadership, and the transformation continues.

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

Oh Lord, give us eyes to see, ears to hear, minds to understand, hearts to believe and mouths to tell others of your love and salvation. Amen.

Prayer No. 75 – Taken from OVERFLOWING - Prayers for a More Sustainable, Compassionate and Just World, published in recognition of PWS&D's 75th 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 31 We pray for Montreal West Presbyterian Church in Quebec as the congregation works to uplift and empower youth to participate fully in the life of the church.

Monday, August 1 We pray for those enjoying vacations. May they find their souls restored by God's green pastures and still waters (Psalm 23).

Tuesday, August 2 We pray for health-care workers at the Mulanje Mission Hospital in Malawi, a partner of Presbyterian World Service & Development, as they provide nutrition and educational support to vulnerable children and their guardians.

Wednesday, August 3 We pray for those who serve in interim ministries as they work with congregations in transition by helping those congregations discern God's future for mission and ministry.

Thursday, August 4 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the house churches in the Cariboo region of British Columbia, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, August 5 We give thanks and pray for the Rev. Linda Patton-Cowie of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church in Orillia, Ontario, who serves as the PCC representative on the Taiwan Ecumenical Forum for Justice and Peace.

Saturday, August 6 (Anniversary of the 1945 bombing of Hiroshima) We remember the victims of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, and we pray for a world without nuclear weapons.

Message from the Minister:

One hot day this week, Michelle and the kids went to play at the splash pad at Bannerman park while I was working at the church. Once I was done for the day, I decided to walk over to meet them at the park; it's a very simple walk, since Portugal Cove Road takes you nearly from the church doorstep directly to the park, so I had the joy of a sunny walk down that familiar street. I drive down that street very often, since it's one of the most direct routes downtown from where I live, but its more rare that I walk it.

This time while I was walking I came across something I hadn't seen before: a variegated maple tree, whose leaves you can see pictured. It was beautiful, and the dappled light and dark colours of the leaves together with the movement of the wind and dancing sunbeams was striking enough that I stopped to take a picture and ponder how outrageous it would be to ask for a cutting.

I must have driven down that street a dozen times already this summer at the very least. This maple tree is huge and well established right next to the road. And yet, it was only this time, when I was walking, that I noticed it and was able to enjoy it.

We overlook blessings so easily. In our haste, we forget to rejoice. In worrying about one thing going wrong, we forget to give thanks for the ten things that went right. We complain about the rain and forget to smell the flowers. I hope that you will have some time this summer to enjoy the simplest gifts around: the feeling of the breeze and the sunshine on your face, the smell of flowers and the sounds of birds singing, the routine kindness of friends and family, and so much more. If you do not slow yourself down to intentionally consider all you have to be thankful for, you will have less rejoicing in your life.

Psalm 46 tells of God descending to force an end to our conflict and make us be still enough to notice God in the world. It is my hope we can learn to be still and give thanks without an apocalypse needed this week. For God's blessings are all around us even today. What Good News that is!



*Come and see what the Lord has done,
the desolations he has brought on the earth.
He makes wars cease
to the ends of the earth.
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.
He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:8-10*

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. 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 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 email distribution.

St. David's Church Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Emma Crosbie who will be celebrating her birthday on July 31st. Emma will be celebrating with family and friends, including her mom and dad, Ellen Dinn and Paul Crosbie, and special Aunt, Andrea Crosbie! From everyone here at St. David's, best wishes Emma and we hope you enjoy your special day!

Happy Birthday to Ken Templeton who is celebrating his birthday on July 31st! Ken is a long-time member of St. David's Church and plays a very active and enthusiastic role in our congregation – Session, Board, and behind the scenes with many events, committees and projects. Ken will be celebrating his birthday with his wife, Sue, children, Alex, Michael and Karen and their families. Best wishes Ken from everyone here at St. David's and we hope there are many more birthdays to come!

Happy Birthday to Lillian Crawford who will be celebrating with her family and friends on August 1st. Lillian is an Elder at St. David's and is very active in every aspect of our Church life including Session, Synod, WA, AMS, Good Companions, Prayer Shawl (Knitter's) Group, and Bridges to Hope. Happy Birthday Lillian from your St. David's family! We hope you have a great day and may there be many more to come!

Birthday greetings to Bradley Greeley who will be celebrating on August 4th. Bradley is the son of Mildred and Darrin Greeley (grandson of Olive and Ralph Melendy). From everyone here at St. David's, a very Happy Birthday Brad!

Aidan Bailey will be celebrating his birthday on August 4th. Aidan is the son of Catherine and Richard Bailey (grandson of Judy and Dave Bonnell). Happy Birthday Aidan! Hope it's a great one!

Happy Birthday to Ryan Brockerville who will be celebrating his birthday on August 2nd! Ryan is the son of Jacqueline and Maxwell Brockerville and grandson of Jeannie and Clayton Collins. Best wishes Ryan from everyone here at St. David's! Hope it's a great one!

Congratulations to Sarah and Paul Bassler who will be celebrating their 18th wedding anniversary on August 1st! Your St. David's family wishes you many more years of happiness. We hope you enjoy the occasion with family and friends!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Sue and Ken Templeton who will be celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary on July 31st! Congratulations from everyone here at St. David's and we hope you enjoy 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.

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.

Bridges to Hope Food Drive – July 23rd

THANK YOU to all who took part in our drive-through Food Drive in support of Bridges To Hope on Saturday, July 23, 2022.

It was a beautiful sunny day and volunteers from both St. David's and St. Andrew's were on hand to receive and sort food donations. Some cleanup work and hedge trimming also took place!

This was a very successful "joint" project and we are very appreciative of the interest and support shown. We hope to do another later in the year!

Remember people are still hungry during the summer the demand does not decrease!.



Crates Ready to be Filled

Betty Sorting the Donations



Donors and Volunteers Enjoy a Chat





*Crates are Ready for Bridges to Hope
Thank-you!*

Outside Announcements and Activities

The General Protestant Cemetery Trustee Board Inc. would like to advise the Congregation of the remaining date and time for this summer's Memorial Services.

Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 25 Beaumont Hamel Way

~ **Monday, August 1st, 2022 at 7:00pm**

Please note:

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

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. All orders must be pre-booked and pre-paid by the Monday before each pickup day (July 25 and August 15)

Walking Tours

1:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Guides will take you through some of Canada's and North America's most significant architectural treasures and historic cultural landscapes dating from 1699. Learn about the art, architects, politics and personalities that shaped the District and made it such an important gateway from Europe to the new world. To participate please pre-register by calling 754-2170 and arrive at the steps of the Roman Catholic Basilica at 1:00 pm. The tour will also visit St. Andrew's Scottish Gothic Presbyterian Church, the beautiful Romanesque Gower Street United Church and the stunning Neo Gothic Anglican Cathedral. The Ecclesiastical District was designated a National Historic Site of Canada in 2008 by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada.

We invite visitors, families and groups to participate.

Tours will run for approximately 90 minutes.

Cost is \$20 per person and Family Rates apply.

Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/DistrictToursNL.



ECCLESIASTICAL DISTRICT
NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

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From the Archives

This week, we have a picture from February 25, 1996. It was Mrs. MacDonald's 90th birthday (February 21st) and there was a party to celebrate the occasion. The choir was in attendance along with other friends from St. David's and there was much singing!

In the picture below, you'll see Georgia LeMessurier, Sylvia Taylor, Pam Bruce, Sheilagh Gamble, Harold Hammond, Millie Hammond and Elizabeth Thistle.

Thanks again Pam for these wonderful pictures!



**Church
Trivia**

Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: Aside from Sunday School what kind of schooling took place on Wednesday evenings in some outports?

The answer is: The pastor at Twillingate mission started a school for the younger fishermen to teach them to read and write. At that time and even up to the mid-1940's a lot of young men went fishing as early as 11 or 12 years old.

This week the question is: Where did many of the missionaries come from and what kind of training did they have?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: Driving by the church you may notice a little stand in our parking lot near the hall entrance. What is that little stand set-up for and what's for sale there?

The answer is: I know the answer was in last week's bulletin - we've just got to get our acts together! Steve Bruneau was the architect and chief builder of the vegetable stand for use by Emad for the produce from the greenhouses and the garden.

This week the question is: St. David's was a front-runner when it came to the new church on Elizabeth Ave. What kind of roof did it have?

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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:

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| 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:

Ed Vanderkloet Steve Bruneau Andem Effiong

Treasurer: Anne Calver

Envelope Secretary: Ian Bruneau