



Sunday August 7th, ninth 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, August 7th

Conflicts in Yemen, Syria, Afghanistan and, most recently, Ukraine have caused mass displacement of millions of people. As a result, many struggle to make ends meet and severely lack food, causing some to experience extreme hunger and malnutrition. Through Presbyterian World Service & Development, the church is responding to these urgent needs. In Syria, food baskets are provided to internally displaced people and their host communities. In Yemen, local partners supply food vouchers to help the most vulnerable families meet their basic needs. In response to the war in Ukraine, food assistance is being provided to those displaced in the country as well as to those who have fled to neighbouring countries. This emergency food assistance is done in collaboration with its ecumenical partners at Canadian Foodgrains Bank, where funds are matched.

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

Lord, we see the horrifying consequences of violent conflict around the world. We pray for peace on earth, and for PWS&D partners assisting communities in Yemen, Syria, South Sudan and too many other places to name. Place your protecting Spirit over all people affected by violence and war. Amen.

Prayer No. 30 – 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, August 7 We give thanks and pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development partners in Ukraine, Syria, Yemen and Afghanistan who deliver aid to those living in conflict zones or unsettled situations.

Monday, August 8 We give thanks for the programs of Edmonton Urban Native Ministry in Alberta that provide a sense of belonging, care and inclusion for people of all nations while upholding Indigenous cultural practices.

Tuesday, August 9 (International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples) We pray that all governments uphold the principles of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples so that all Indigenous peoples around the world may thrive.

Wednesday, August 10 We pray for the members and work of the Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee.

Thursday, August 11 We pray for the Rev. Dr. Hanns Lessing, the Rev. Philip Vinod Peacock and Phil Tanis as they share leadership of the World Communion of Reformed Churches.

Friday, August 12 We pray that congregations searching for a new minister will be filled with hope, wisdom and patience.

Saturday, August 13 We give thanks and pray for congregations offering Vacation Bible Schools over the summer.



Message from the Minister

Have you ever gone down a slide on a dry day and had your hair stand on end? This picture I took of Orson shows the effect spectacularly, because of his beautiful and fine baby hair. You can see each hair reaching out with static charge, looking for something to share it with! The boys loved this novelty, and ran over to tell me to get a picture. Sadly, it doesn't take long for the electrons (and the hair) to equalize again, so it's a short-lived effect. But my boys are nothing if not energetic, so they kept climbing back up the slide to go down again and giggle at each other's crazy hair.

As Christians, we are called to reach out. One of our readings for this Sunday from the book of Isaiah calls us to *"learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. (1:17)"* Jesus is very harsh with the religious folks of his day who spend their time debating the finer points of the Law while refusing to actually reach out with God's love to those around them. Those who follow Jesus should be lights in this world, with something amazing to share and bless the whole world with. We are like those hairs on Orson's head, reaching out to share the grace that has charged us up!

But just like that static effect, we need to be recharged to stay effective, and that won't just happen on its own. We need to find the spiritual "slides" that will charge us up and bring us joy as we receive the love, the hope, and the peace that we want to share with those around us.

So if you wish you were able to do more, consider how you are recharging! We need frequent contact with the Good News to keep reaching out without falling limp. Without it, how can you expect more of yourself? But don't be afraid, God's grace is always there, for free, ready for you. God's charge will never run out, it will put a smile on your face and be visible to everyone around you. And as an added bonus, unlike static charge, God's charge usually doesn't wreck your hairdo.

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

We are pleased to have Heather Kao as our guest music director for this Sunday's service. Thank you and welcome Heather!

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This wee story is most certainly worthy of a spot in the St. David's announcements . . .

The Little Things in Life....

OK, so I realize that many of you will not get excited about broccoli, but when I finally got broccoli to grow – after years of trying – I had to share my happiness with you! No bugs, no slugs and no sprays! A dream come true! Next year, I tackle cauliflower....

Janet



**This really is a big accomplishment in the life of a gardener ~
Congratulations Janet !!!**

Birthdays and Anniversaries (August 7 – August 13)

Happy Birthday to Geoffrey Learmonth who will be celebrating his birthday on August 5th. Geoff is the son of Mary and Barry Learmonth. Best wishes from your St. David's family! We hope you enjoy your day.

Happy Birthday to Oliver Sturtevant on his 5th birthday, August 7th. Oliver will be celebrating his big day with his family and friends, near and far, including his mom (Michelle) and dad (David) and his younger brother, Orson – and all his favourite pets. Happy Birthday from your St. David's family! All our love!

Happy Birthday to Grace Artiss! Grace will be celebrating her special day on August 8th with family and friends, near and far, including her husband, David, and best little friend, Caspar. Best wishes Grace from your St. David's family and all your "Good Companion buddies"! We're thinking of you and hope you enjoy your day!

Birthday greetings to Nathan Ennis who will be celebrating his birthday on August 13th. Nathan is the son of Karen Bonnell and grand-son of Judy and Dave Bonnell. Happy Birthday Nathan – hope you have a great day!

Happy Birthday to Rory Rooney who will be celebrating his 6th birthday on August 9th! Rory is the son of Jonathan and Erin Rooney and younger brother of Frederick. Everyone here at St. David's wishes you a wonderful birthday Rory! Enjoy your special day!

And more birthday wishes for the Rooney family – these go out to **Jonathan Rooney** who will be celebrating his birthday on August 10th, one day after Rory's birthday! Jonathan will be celebrating his birthday with wife, Erin (Berghuis) and sons, Frederick and Rory and other family and friends. Best wishes Jonathan from everyone here at St. David's and may there be many more birthdays to come!

Happy Birthday to Laura Reddick, who will be celebrating with family and friends on August 11th! Laura is the daughter of Helen and Brian Reddick and grand-daughter of Pam Bruce. Best wishes Laura from your St. David's family and we hope you enjoy your day!

Happy Anniversary to Joanna and Gordon Lo who will be celebrating their 18th wedding anniversary on August 13th! Joanna is the daughter of Penny and Stewart Gillies. Everyone at St. David's wishes you warm wishes as you celebrate your special day and we hope you have many more wonderful years to come!

Happy Anniversary to Jill and Tom Crosbie! Jill and Tom were married on August 13th, 2011. Congratulations to you both and best wishes from all your St. David's friends! Tom is the son of Suzanne Brake and David Crosbie and Andrea Crosbie's nephew.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Eleanor and Aubrey Bonnell who will be celebrating 54 years of marriage on August 14th! Congratulations and warm wishes from everyone here at St. David's! Here's to many more years of happiness to come!

Happy Anniversary wishes to Jean and Clayton Collins who will be celebrating their 61st wedding anniversary on August 11th! Jean and Clayton will be celebrating this special day with their three daughters – Jacqueline, Jennifer and Janet – and their families, along with other family and friends. Congratulations from your St. David's family and cheers to many more wonderful years ahead!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Vanessa and Alex Templeton who will be celebrating on August 7th! Vanessa and Alex were married in 2004. We hope you enjoy this special day. Congratulations from everyone here at St. David's and we wish you many years of happiness!

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

The demand for Bridges To Hope's ***Bag to School*** Program is bigger than ever. It has been another hard year for students, and Bridges To Hope is determined to send them back to school with everything they need to thrive. In addition to their regular number, they are aiming to supply an ***extra*** 100 School Bags, fully packed with everything each child needs. Donations may be made directly, through St. David's, or online by visiting <https://www.bridgestohope.ca/fundraising>. No amount is too small.

Weekly "Specials"

August 4 – 10, 2022

Good Suggestions for the Food Trolley

Colemans	Primo Pasta	5/\$5.00
	Holiday Luncheon Meat	2/\$5.00
Walmart	Kraft Dinner	\$0.97
Lawtons	Heinz Beans or Pasta	4/\$5.00
	Heinz Tomato Soup	2/\$1.20

Outside Announcements and Activities

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.



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NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

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From the Archives

We have been sharing some great pictures of former choir get-togethers these past few weeks. Hope you are enjoying them! This week, our picture was taken from a choir party on November 12, 1983. In the picture you'll see (from left to right) Katie Gray, Diane Kiefte, Ted Hannah, John Green, Jane Green, and Harry Kiefte.

Thanks Pam for these wonderful pictures!



Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

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

The answer is: The missionaries (those who worked in the outports) came from Great Britain with some local ones who became lay ministers after a missionary left. There was little training for most the exceptions were some of the missionaries sponsored by the Congregational Colonial Missionary Society in England.

This week the question is: When did paying for your pew start and end in our church's history? And how much were you expected to pay?

Recent History:

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

The answer is: Metal is back! St. David's started life with a metal roof and it would be in the fore front of style today with its original roof. A new roofing style is happening now with both new and older homes. You realize it when a cousin's home in Lady Cove went metal (he did it himself) and when Clarendville's Home Hardware store went metal for its lumber yard (the old Clarendville Stadium)!

This week the question is: St. David's had a couple of problems with its roof, what were they?

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

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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:

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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