

Sunday September 4th, 13th 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.

We are very pleased to welcome back The Reverend Dr. Ian Wishart to lead our service this Sunday morning.

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

Our Minister, Rev. Sturtevant is away on vacation until September 13th. If you require pastoral care, please contact Rev. Derek Krunys at 753-2532. You can always leave a message on the church's phone number (722-2382) or email us at stdavids@nfld.com.

Mission Moment – Sunday, September 4

Vanea is 15 years old and lives in Malawi with her parents and four siblings. When Vanea finished primary school, she wrote an entrance exam for secondary school and was selected to attend the Neno Girls School, supported by the PCC through Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D). Sadly, Vanea's parents couldn't afford the school fees and she was forced to withdraw. PWS&D recognizes the importance of education for young girls to achieve their dreams and gain self-confidence. **PWS&D provides scholarships for orphans and vulnerable girls in Malawi to attend the Neno Girls School, who otherwise could not afford to due to financial constraints.** Vanea was one of the students selected for this scholarship and is now completing her high school education.

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

You came to us as a small child; crying in a stable, and taught us how to love others with poor health or without homes. We give thanks that many mothers, babies and children are receiving support to live healthy, abundant lives through PWS&D's maternal, newborn and child health projects in Malawi and Afghanistan. Amen.

Prayer No. 29 – 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, September 4 We give thanks for programs the church supports through Presbyterian World Service & Development that empower girls to rise above disadvantage and pursue their goals.

Monday, September 5 (Labour Day) We give thanks to God for tasks completed with pride, for work to do, and for the strength and ability to do it; and we pray for those who do not have enough work and for those who have too much.

Tuesday, September 6 We pray for the Rev. Victor Kim as he commences his ministry as Principal Clerk of the General Assembly.

Wednesday, September 7 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on History.

Thursday, September 8 (World Literacy Day) We pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development partners in Afghanistan, Guatemala and Malawi as they teach children and youth to read and write.

Friday, September 9 We pray for the Protestant Theological Seminary in Matanzas, equipping pastors and being a prophetic voice in Cuban society for over 76 years.

Saturday, September 10 We pray that new students at our theological colleges, particularly international students, find strength and friendship in this community of learning.

Treasurer's Notes and a Request for Help

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. If you would like to donate monthly by PAD, 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.

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.

Request for Help

We have a new problem! So, what can that be? A helium balloon escaped and managed to wind itself around one of the fans in the hall ceiling. So along with the other items listed below, we now need someone to get out our 16-foot ladder and rescue the balloon.

Meanwhile, if you've been in the church lately, you will notice that Heather has been sprucing up the lobby. Some of our other areas are due to get a facelift as well. This includes the Tower Room used for the Archives and to a lesser extent the Clouston and Armour Rooms.

Which brings us to ...

We are looking for two to three sets of strong arms AND one tall person with a head for heights to tackle these tasks:

- the old computer desk and old filing cabinets in the Tower may eventually find a home closer to the sea (Robin Hood Bay)
- some newer furniture (bookcases and desk) now in the storage room at the back of the hall will be moving to the Tower Room
- the chair in the storage room will be moving to the Armour Rom
- some furniture will be leaving the Clouston Room to be replaced by other furniture now scattered throughout the building
- and I'm sure we will come up with other items which would, or would not, like to have a moving experience!

We think this activity should take two to three hours and we can offer tea, coffee and perhaps some homemade goodies just to keep people's strength up.

Please contact the office if you're interested in helping with the 2022 Beautification Project.

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 ~ Happy Labour Day!!

At Last ...

In-Person Sunday School will begin again this Autumn!!!

- **When: Sunday mornings 11:00 October to June**
- **Where: Sanctuary, Creche, Church Hall**
- **Who: Infants and children to age 12**

RSVP: Please call or email Heather at the Church Office to register your child(ren) by September 25th.

Volunteers! Please call or email Heather at the Church office to offer assistance in the Creche or in Sunday School activities. Lectionary based curriculum will be provided for school-aged children.

Many hands make "labour" light!! If you could offer your help one Sunday a month, for one month of Sundays, or anything in between, please let us know!

We have lots of supplies on site waiting for use.

**We look forward to greeting you all very soon!
Please watch for updates from the Session in the Church Bulletin during the month of September!**

Wedding Photo – Allison and Steve + Apology

This week, we are sharing Allison and Steve's wedding photo with you again with a big apology to them both for getting Steve's last name wrong. (It doesn't get much more embarrassing than that.)

So here is a beautiful picture from Allison (Crawford) and Steve's (Hawco) wedding day which was on August 12, 2022. (The picture was taken by Kassondra Barry Photography.) Congratulations from everyone here at St. David's!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Adam Kearsey who will be celebrating his birthday on September 4th. Adam is the son of Judy Woolridge. Happy Birthday Adam from everyone here at St. David's! Hope you have a wonderful birthday!

Congratulations to Heather and Brad Burness who will be celebrating their 24th wedding anniversary on September 5th. (Heather is the daughter of Edith Peach and Brad the son of Brenda Burness.) Best wishes to you both from all your friends here at St. David's and may there be many more happy years ahead!

Happy 32nd wedding anniversary to Jacqueline and Maxwell Brockerville who were married on September 8, 1990. Congratulations from all your friends here at St. David's. Jacqueline and Maxwell will be celebrating the special day with family and friends, including Jacqueline's mom and dad, Jean and Clayton Collins, and her two sisters, Jennifer and Janet, and their families. Best wishes and much happiness!

Happy Anniversary to Penny and Stewart Gillies who will be celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary on September 8th! Penny and Stewart will be celebrating with family and friends, near and far, including their 3 daughters – Allison, Joanna, and Kirsty and their families – and of course, Cleo! Much happiness now and in the coming years from everyone here at St. David's! Best wishes and our love to you both!

Happy Anniversary to Judith (Judy) and Frank Woolridge. Judy and Frank were married on September 9, 2013 and will be celebrating their 9th wedding anniversary with family and friends. Best wishes for many happy years to come and congratulations from everyone here at St. David's!

Happy Anniversary to April and Tom Kennedy who will be celebrating their 26th wedding anniversary on September 5th! Congratulations from all your friends here at St. David's. We wish you a wonderful day and many more years of happiness 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.

Congregational Help....

Car for Monica Mayen

Sue Templeton sent along a note regarding Monica Mayen. Many of you have met Monica and her family in Church and at coffee time. Well, it seems that Monica has been doing her driver training and will be taking her test in the near future with the hopes of getting her driver's licence very soon! Having their own transportation would be a big step towards her family becoming more independent and give them more options for work. To that end, her next step will be to get a car!

She has asked if members of our congregation might know of someone who would be interested in selling her a car. If you know of someone she would appreciate a call. Could you please keep your ears open and if you hear of something hopeful please let her know? Or give Sue or Ken or St. David's a call.

Please keep Monica and her children in your thoughts and prayers. Still no word on progress of her husband's immigration status. The Association of New Canadians (ANC) and Ken continue to support this process.

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

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



This week, we have a **special request** from Bridges To Hope! It's for **juice** – apple and orange juice in particular.



This item is often on “special” at the supermarket, so please consider this request when picking up your own groceries. Add it to the Food Trolley on Sunday or drop it off at the Church Office during the week.

If you can help – it would be really appreciated!



Of course, other non-perishable food items are always useful, as well as cash donations or gift cards.

Thank you for your support

Outside Announcements and Activities

Cafe of Memories



Music by Dem Fellas

When

September 6 at 2:00-4:00pm

Join us as Lodge Westmoorland, in partnership with Alzheimer Society of Newfoundland & Labrador, hosts an afternoon of entertainment & refreshments for those with dementia and their caregivers.

****All events are free of charge**

****Masks are required**

Location: Freemason's Hall (115 Mt. Carson Ave)

Please register as space is limited by calling 709-576-0608 or emailing events@alzheimernl.ca

Alzheimer Society

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Out and About...

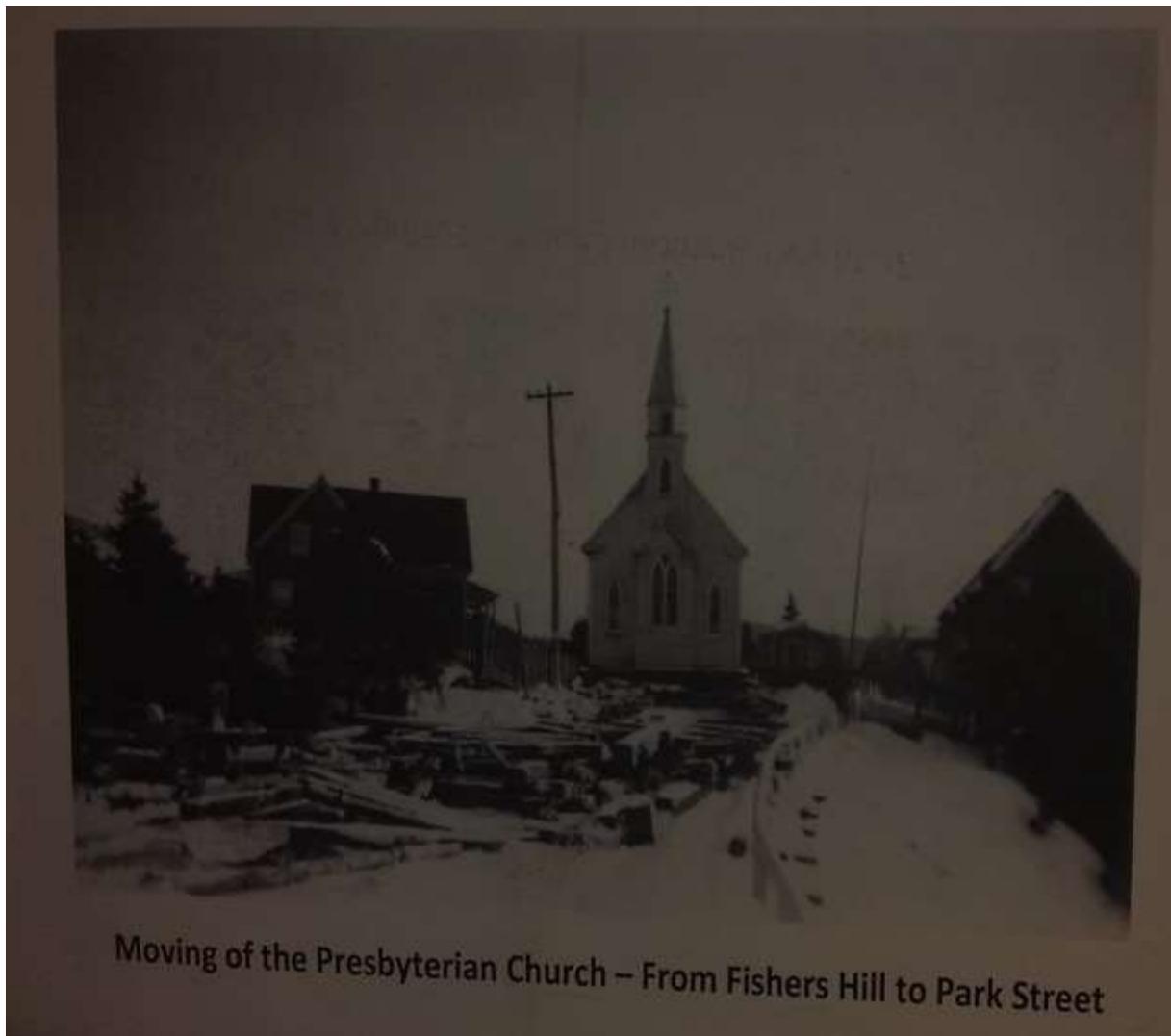
Elizabeth Thistle Says Hello!

Last week, Brian and I were out on the west coast of the Island for a few days and while we were in Corner Brook, I had to visit Elizabeth and see how she was doing in her “new home”. Elizabeth is now living in the Mountain View Retirement Home in Corner Brook, closer to her daughter, Margo and her family. The Thistle family (Elizabeth, David, Margo and Gale) were faithful members of St. David’s and took part in many of the Church groups and events and activities over the years. Anyway, my timing was not great – I arrived just as they were about to start their lunch(!) but I did have a great chat with Elizabeth while we were waiting for lunch to arrive. She looks great and is doing really well. She said that it has been a big adjustment for her but she has a lovely room, she is making friends and she’s starting to take part in the many activities offered at the home. She said to say “Hello” to everyone back at St. David’s! (If you would like to send her a card or letter, just give Heather a call and we’ll get that information out to you.)

Picture from the Corner Brook Museum

While Brian and I were in Corner Brook, we made it a point to stop by the Corner Brook Museum which is located in their City Hall. What a great spot! There are so many documents, pictures, and historical artifacts spread over 3 floors, it’s impossible to take it all in in one visit. We will be going back there for sure! One of the pictures caught our eye though. It was a picture of the Presbyterian Church moving to Park Avenue!

The date it was taken was not evident. Brian, who grew up on Park Street, cannot remember the Church and the building is not there now. We assume it was there sometime during the 1920's – 1940's perhaps? Does anyone know? Anyway, here is a picture of the picture!



From the Archives

This is a great picture (from around May 1975 perhaps) taken inside the Church. It's a picture of Edna Hodgett with Leslie Thistle (holding a gift?) and Judy Carmichael (holding the flowers). Leslie and Judy were part of the Junior Choir. Does anyone know what the occasion was?

As always, thanks Pam for the pictures!



Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: What were some of the more interesting places our ministers lived?

The answer is: They lived in barracks, had rooms in the Court House, lived in rooms in the town, eventually had houses (not like our current houses at all), lived in hotels or rooming houses, and from the late 1800's onwards lived in fairly good housing on Monkstown Road (sharing the house with the school). In the early 1900's the ministers were all over the place. In the 1950's we provided a manse (Bideford Place and Newfoundland Drive), later the ministers also provided their own housing for which we paid the rental value.

This week the question is: Where were some of the earliest members of the church married (during the time our own ministers were not allowed to marry couples)?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: Rev. Armour left in 1985 where did he go and why would CBC listeners get to hear him each year?

The answer is: Rev. Armour moved to Montreal to the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. Each Christmas, the CBC carried their annual Christmas Carol service.

This week the question is: For a short time both Presbyterian churches had a minister with the same surname? Who 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	

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