



Sunday October 23, 20th Sunday after Pentecost

The service is at 11 am and we are grateful to be meeting 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 pleased to welcome back Chris Morano as our music director this Sunday. Thank you Chris!

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@nfd.com.

Mission Moment – Sunday, October 23

The importance of elders who serve in congregational leadership is often understated. But the Bible describes elders as playing a very important role—they are leaders that Christ has appointed to oversee the church.

Elders are at the heart of Cariboo Presbyterian House Church Mission in British Columbia, continually providing prayer, comfort and support to the congregation and community. The authentic and humble ways in which the elders live out their faith is a compelling testimony and example for other members. Their wisdom teaches them about God’s deep love and purpose for their lives. Presbyterians Sharing supports congregations serving remote communities.

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

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 ministry.

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, October 23 We remember Chanie Wenjack, who died of hunger and exposure on this day in 1966 after running away from Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School, which The Presbyterian Church in Canada operated. We pray for Survivors and all those who carry deep pain and trauma from Residential Schools.

Monday, October 24 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 ministry.

Tuesday, October 25 We pray that the Holy Spirit guides the National Indigenous Ministry Council in their work to develop a statement of faith.

Wednesday, October 26 We give thanks for those who have been working hard to help the Presbyterian Church Heritage Centre complete the move into its new home in Carlisle, Ontario, where the rich history and accomplishments of the PCC will be proudly displayed.

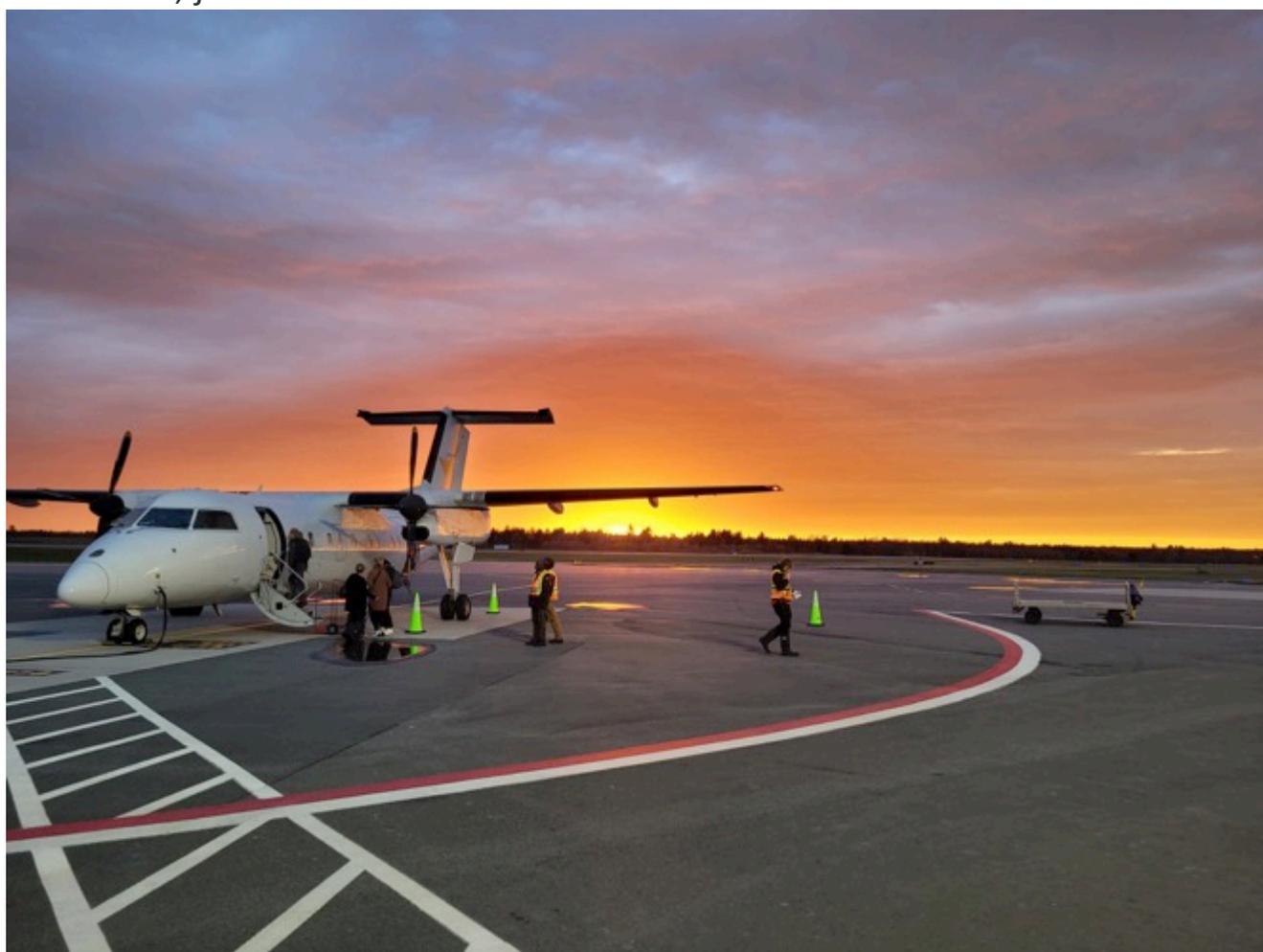
Thursday, October 27 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Western Han-Ca.

Friday, October 28 We give thanks and pray for those seeking clarity in God's will as we discern ways to bring together different theological views in the denomination.

Saturday, October 29 We pray for the members of the Canadian Ecumenical Anti-Racism Network of the Canadian Council of Churches as they collaborate to end racism in churches across Canada.

Minister's Message

This week I had the opportunity to go to the meeting of the Synod of the Presbyterian Churches in the Atlantic Provinces. This is an annual meeting in October, and the first time in a little while we've been able to get together in person. As a representative from Newfoundland, Synod covers the cost of my flight, and so I found myself searching for a flight from St. John's to the place Synod was being held this year: the small community of Hanwell, New Brunswick, just outside of Fredericton.



With Synod meeting in various places in the Atlantic provinces (it changes each year), I often get the opportunity to take some fairly small planes. The plane in this picture is a little Dash-8 Q100, maximum of 37 passengers (according to Google), that was taking me from Moncton to Fredericton, a flight of only about half an hour or so.

Some people don't like flying on little planes, but I am not one of them. I am always excited when boarding the plane means a walk across the tarmac, and when I saw the beautiful sunset behind my ride I just had to take a picture! If I'd been in a big 747 with an extendable hallway for boarding, I would have missed it. Small planes also fly lower, so you get a better view out the window.

Too often we focus on what we wish we could be without paying attention to the gifts we have now. That poor little Dash-8 might feel insignificant at an airport full of bigger planes, too slow, too small, propellers instead of fancy jet engines, no screens on the seats, and so on. By many of the most obvious measurements it's just not as good as they are. This week we will be hearing a story of humility from the Gospel, and we will be reminded of God's love for the humble and the small.

May you recognize that no matter how outdated, small or underpowered you feel, you have unique gifts that God can use. They may not be the same as the gifts of those around you, but not every plane needs to be a 747. God has made you and equipped you for your own path. What Good News that is.

Information from the Treasurer

Fiscal Updates

Over the next couple of weeks, you'll read some of the challenges this church now faces and some of the things we can all do to help.

If you look at this week's trivia questions and wait a week for the answers, you'll see how we fared with money management projects in the past.

You have all heard the quickly changing price of gas and in our case the cost of heating oil. St. David's has a flat rate monthly charge based on our previous usage history. That works out well, because on the first of November each year I get solid information for the budget. Last year that cost was set at \$1,535 per month. This year while we burned about the same amount of oil, the price moved up and down through the year. If, at the end of the year we burned more than was expected or the prices rose higher than expected, we must cover the difference. This year that will be around \$3,450.

Several years ago we were paying \$1,830 a month. So we did something. We set the thermostats to only come on when that space was being used. By the end of the year we were under budget and our monthly price dropped for the following year.

There's not much we can do about the price of oil, we can control how we use it. And that's what we've been doing.

My Thanks

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, contact 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. We accept donations through Canada Helps, via Canada Post, or you may 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 . It is linked to our bank account and automatically accepts 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.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada's seasonal newspaper "**Presbyterian Connection**" **Fall 2022** has arrived. You will find copies just outside the church office. Please help yourself.

St. David's Church Announcements

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.

Sunday, October 30th, will be our Contemporary Service ~ please note on your calendars!

In-Person Sunday School

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

Thank you to the Volunteers who have helped with our children's program for the past two weeks. We do need more volunteer assistants to consistently offer a program, and ask for a time commitment of one Sunday per month, ideally with two or more volunteers per week.

We look forward to welcoming more children and would appreciate extra hands to help them enjoy the activities planned for them! We will provide a Lectionary based curriculum for school-aged children. And we have lots of supplies on site waiting for use.

If you would like to find out what is involved please contact Heather at the church office or Sue Templeton anytime ... Or, please join us one Sunday as our guest to observe the children's program in action!

Food For Thought (from Ernst Rollmann)

The Food for Thought fellowship, prayer, and discussion group for young adults met weekly this year on Zoom from January 18 through August 8. After a short summer break, we started meeting again on September 29. The meeting time, Zoom link, and discussion topic or Bible passage is sent out in a weekly email. We are currently meeting on Thursdays at 7pm. We are discussing the Pastoral Epistles (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus). Anyone interested in participating should email me at ernstrollmann12 at [gmail.com](mailto:ernstrollmann12@gmail.com). New folks are always welcome!

Bible Study has returned!

Our long standing Bible Study has started again. Under the guidance of Sheena Findlay, the study group meets every Wednesday morning in the Armour Room from 10:30am to 12:00 noon.

The topic, “Money – having it and not having it. What it means to Christians.” We will look mainly at the gospels for what Jesus said and the implications for ourselves.

All are welcome!

Women's Bible Study

A new Bible Study program being offered by Christina Shalaby, will be moving to a new time and place. Starting this Sunday, October 23rd, immediately following Sunday worship in the Sanctuary.

This Bible study will be based on the study book called "Rooted". It will cover the foundations of Christianity, how we become rooted in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ and how we can live, support and serve as Christians in community together based on biblical truths. Women of all ages are welcome and Christina will provide an e-version of the book for anyone who would like to join. She asks that everyone bring a mobile device (ipad/laptop) to access their book along with a Bible.

Christina's contact information is as follows:

Phone: 709-770-0217 and email: christinashalaby@outlook.com

ADVANCE NOTICE

Time really seems to fly and we are already looking ahead to our next project –

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS 2022

We are hoping to do at least forty-five (45) hampers, or more, this year!

The proposed delivery date is Saturday, December 17, 2022.

More information/details will come later but we are starting to stockpile some of the non-perishable items **now** so that there will be less to purchase when December arrives. Here's how you can help!

From the list below, select one or more items and donate it, placing it on the Food Trolley on Sunday or dropping it off at the Office during the week (Hours 9 AM – 1 PM daily).

Watch the Flyer “specials” to get the best deals possible!

Thank you for your support!

Non-perishable food items we generally need to purchase:

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| Sugar | Flour | Tuna |
| Green peas | Corn | Evaporated milk |
| Cheese Whiz | Peanut butter | Juice (1 L) |
| Cereal (box) | Teabags | Coffee (Instant) |
| Crackers | Cookies | Beans (tin) |

P. S. Monetary donations or gift cards are always helpful and appreciated!

From the A.M.S. ...

At the beginning of the month we announced the start our annual “Socktober” where we hope to fill the clothesline around the Sanctuary with socks, mittens and personal care items.

What a great response from the congregation!! As you can see our lines are filling to overflowing!!! These items are gathered to help the most vulnerable in our community.

As a reminder, items may include: toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, body-wash, shampoo, deodorant, underwear, etc. For all people of all ages.

Donations may be dropped off at the church office Monday thru Friday between 9:00am – 1:00pm ~ as well as Sundays.

AMS will be meeting October 23 after worship. All are welcome to join us in Armour Room. We plan to watch a presentation about Presbyterian World Service and Development.

Senior's Luncheon – October 13, 2022

The WA organized a Senior's Lunch and Social for October 13, 2022. It was a great opportunity for us to welcome back so many of our friends from Good Companions along with some new friends we hope to see again! It was like a reunion - lots of catching-up-conversations, lots of smiles and tons of laughter. Everyone enjoyed the lunch – homemade turkey soup, choir soup (always a favourite), fresh rolls and dessert – homemade blueberry cake with lemon sauce. Even though the meal was delicious, it was the friendship and companionship that made the day, as the pictures below show.

Thanks to all who helped out with the baking, cooking, preparation, serving and clean up. And thanks to all of you who simply came along and joined us for a wonderful afternoon. We hope to do it again soon! Stay tuned!





Bridge Party – October 18, 2022

The WA also organized a Bridge Party that took place this past week - Tuesday, October 18. It was an avid group of bridge players that met and there was much enthusiasm and friendship evident around all the tables. The afternoon started off with a lunch (choice of homemade soups and rolls followed by a choice of 3 desserts) followed by a wonderful afternoon of bridge playing. From the "newbie" to the more advanced player - all enjoyed the camaraderie. (See pictures below.) We hope to host more of these events in the near future. Watch for the announcements.

Many thanks to all the ladies who worked hard to make this a success: setup and take-down crews, cooks (the soups were yummy), dessert makers (those desserts were soooo good!), servers, and of course, all those who joined us for a wonderful afternoon. Until next time.....



Birthdays and Anniversaries and Graduations

Happy Birthday to Shemsadin Hamid who will be turning 9 years old on October 24th. Helping celebrate his big day will be his mom and dad, Rukiya and Thomas Hamid, and his siblings, Solomon and little sister Beli. Everyone here at St. David's wishes you a wonderful birthday Shemsadin! Have fun!

Happy Birthday greetings to Emily McLean who will be celebrating her birthday on October 28th with family and friends – near and far. Emily (living in Halifax) is the daughter of Christine and John McLean (Hammonds Falls, Nova Scotia). Her brother, Jackson, is living here in St. John's. Best wishes Emily for a wonderful birthday from all your friends here at St. David's!

A very Happy Birthday to Michelle Sturtevant who is celebrating her birthday on October 25th! It will be a happy day with family and friends from Ontario to Newfoundland joining the celebration. Making it very special day will be husband, David, and her two little boys, Oliver and Orson, and all her adorable pets. Best wishes Michelle from everyone here at St. David's! We wish you a wonderful birthday!

Happy Birthday wishes to Evelyn Melendy who will celebrate her birthday on October 24th! Evelyn will share her big day with her husband, Nowell, and children, Roxanne and Sheldon and their families, along with other close family and friends. All the folks here at St. David's hope you have a wonderful day, Evelyn, and all the best in the year ahead!

Happy Birthday to Ernst Rollmann who will be celebrating his birthday on October 25th with family and friends – near and far! Ernst and his family have been very involved with the life of St. David's for many years, with Ernst playing a key role in the spiritual life of the congregation through his missionary work afar and with his work with our young adults. Ernst will be sharing his special day with his mom and dad, Marcella and Hans Rollmann, and his brothers, Peter and Hans Jr.. Best wishes from your St. David's family, Ernst and we hope you have a wonderful day!

Happy Birthday greetings to Ethan Quinton who will celebrate his 3rd birthday on October 24th! Ethan is the son of Melissa Smallwood and Josh Quinton and grandson of Becky and Leith Quinton. This little note from Becky explains a bit about his party... sounds like fun!

"... As his birthday is so close to Halloween he is having a costume party and looking forward to dressing up as Marshall the Fire Chief of "Paw Patrol" OR maybe a T-Rex! ..."

All the folks here at St. David's hope you have a great birthday Ethan and may there be many, many more to come!

Happy Birthday wishes to Penny Stansbury who will celebrate her 2nd birthday on October 24th! Penny is the daughter of Phoebe and Nick Stansbury, grand-daughter of Lori and Fuat Sezer and the great-grand-daughter of Edith Peach! The Stansbury and Sezer families live in Texas. Best wishes Penny from everyone here at St. David's. We know you will have a very special birthday!

Happy Birthday to Nicholas Lowery who will be celebrating his birthday on October 28th! Nicholas will be celebrating his special day with family and friends far and wide including his mom and dad, Susan and Travis Lowery, sister, Jane (all living in the States), grand-parents, Lillian and Harry Crawford, and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Your St. David's family hope you have a great day!

Happy Birthday to Harry Crawford who will be celebrating his birthday on Sunday, October 23rd! Harry will be sharing his special day with family and friends, near and far – including wife, Lillian, and daughters Allison and Susan and their families. Best wishes from everyone here at St. David's, Harry! We hope you have a great day with many more to come!

And also with the Crawford family, belated congratulations to Lillian and Harry Crawford on their wedding anniversary! Lillian and Harry were married 54 years ago on October 19, 1968. Much happiness and best wishes from all your friends here at St. David's!

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

The Good Companions group are wondering if there might be a few people interested in getting together on Thursday afternoons to play Bridge. If you would like to, please call Heather in the office at 722-2382 and she will put you in touch with the organizers.

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.

Bridges to Hope

Here are some "specials" from the weekly flyers, which are always useful for Bridges To Hope and can be added to our Food Trolley.

Weekly "Specials"

October 20 - 26, 2022

Good Suggestions for the Food Trolley

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| Walmart | Campbell's Soup | \$0.67 |
| | Great Value Canned Vegetables | \$0.97 |
| No Frills | Graves Apple Juice | \$0.99* |
| | Holiday Luncheon Meat | \$1.00 |
| | Flakes of Ham, Turkey, etc. | \$0.88 |
| | Unico Diced Tomatoes | \$0.88 |
| | Colgate Toothpaste | \$0.79 |

* Also good item for Christmas Hampers

Outside Announcements and Activities

St. John's Choir Card Game

The St. John's Choir will host a card game (bridge or 120's) on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at Wesley United Church Hall starting at 7:00pm with dessert served with tea or coffee. Admission is \$15.00, bring your own cards and snacks. Call Helen at 682-4982 or Carolyn at 690-6329.

Topsail United Church

Annual On-Line Harvest Auction will take place from Tuesday, Oct.4 at 8 A.M and will close on Thursday, October 27 at 11 P.M. Please visit <https://www.charityauctionstoday.com> to register to bid. For More information, please contact the church Office at 834-4567. Thank You.

Special Event/Concert

Coast Tsm'syen (British Columbia) First Nations Elder, Speaker, Singer, Songwriter and Recording Artist, [Shannon Thunderbird](#) is coming to St. John's to present a concert at **Holy Heart Theatre on Thursday, October 27th**. This concert titled "Big Drums are Calling- A Fusion of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Voices Raised in Celebration" will also feature performances by Eastern Owl, Deantha Edmunds, 100 Voices Children's Chorus, and Holy Heart Chamber Choir.

This concert will conclude a week of workshops and presentations by Ms. Thunderbird to NLESD schools and community partners. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The concert begins at 7:00 PM and tickets can be purchased from the [Holy Heart Theatre website or box office](#). Proceeds from the concert go to supporting Holy Heart's Food Programs.

Quilts @ The Cathedral

Come join us and view this magnificent display and read the stories of the Quilts. Quilts @ The Cathedral takes place Friday, October 28th from 12 noon to 7 p.m. and Saturday, October 29th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Quiet Hour from 10 to 11 a.m.) Music will be offered at regular times during the exhibit.

Tea/Coffee and sweets will be available in the Cathedral Crypt on Saturday, for \$5 per person.

Entrance to the event is by donation (\$5 suggested) or pay what you are able. All donations go to support the ministry and outreach of the Cathedral Parish.

Would you like to be part of the Quilts @ The Cathedral Show? For more information visit: <https://ourcathedral.ca/quilts/>



L'ARCHE AVALON PRESENTS

IMAGINE THE WORLD DIFFERENTLY

*An evening of short films on disability,
community, and inclusion.*

**Friday, November 4th
7-8:30pm
MUN Med School
Room 1M101**

Featuring:

- *Variety of short films on disability
- *Q&A with documentary filmmaker
Michael McDonald
- *Information on L'Arche Avalon
- *Light refreshments

**FREE ADMISSION
EVERYONE WELCOME!**

For more information contact
office@larcheavalon.ca



From The Archives

This week, I happened to come across some old pictures taken at Beachy Cove in the early 1940's (?). The picture below shows left to right: Gordon Thomas,??, and Rev. Sass. Does anyone have any idea who the woman is in this picture? If so, I'd love to know..... The next time you are in the Armour Room, have a look at the pictures on the wall and find Rev. Sass. Rev. Sass was Minister of the Queen's Road Presbyterian Church from 1944-1949.

As always, thanks to Pam for taking care of all these great pictures from our past!



Church Trivia Questions

Way back when:

Last week the question was: Who was the only member of the Canadian military to serve as our minister?

The answer is: During World War II, John F. Nute became our minister from 1941 to 1943. He resigned from the church to become a Chaplain in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Rev. Nute was born in New Jersey in 1907 and attended the Wheaton and Westminster Seminary. In 1936 when he married Marjory Cox he was living in Nova Scotia and serving as a Presbyterian Minister. The family eventually moved to Maple Ridge BC, where John died on Oct 29, 1986. His wife died in 1997 and is buried beside her husband.

This week the question is: Who was the minister who came to the Queen's Road Church, discovered a \$15,000 debt and worked diligently with the congregation to pay off the mortgage? And for an extra question, that was done during a Thanksgiving ceremony in which year?

Recent History:

Last week the question was: What do the initials C.G.I.T. stand for and when did this group close at St. David's?

The answer is: The C.G.I.T. stands for Canadian Girls in Training. This group was active in during the 1960's and wound down in the early 1970's.

This week the question is: What does St. David's generally do now to obtain money for large projects?

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 – Sheena Findlay

Atlantic Mission Society – Kathy McKay

Session – Lillian Crawford

Prayer Shawl (Knitters) – Bouwina Fogwill

Food For Thought – Ernst Rollmann

Women's Bible Study – Christina Shalaby

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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