

St. David's Church Announcements for Sunday, Dec 8th 2024

Church Office Hours:

Tuesday thru Friday from 9am to 1pm. Please call 709-722-2382 OR email us: stdavids@nfld.com ~ Messages will be checked regularly.

For pastoral care ~ Please contact Rev. David Sturtevant at 709-699-3661

The sole email address we are using to accept donations is:

stdavidsnfld@gmail.com . It is linked to our bank account and automatically accepts all donations.

St. David's Upcoming Events and Notices:

The Sunday School "No Rehearsal Pageant" is today!!

At **11am**, our regular service time, everyone will come together as part of this fun and imaginative retelling of the Christmas Story.

The Pageant will be followed by a Family Christmas Lunch ~ all are welcome!!!

Bible Study

This week, our Bible Study will be continuing to look at chance encounters with Jesus by studying the healing found in John chapter 9. Come join us as we read the Bible together and discern its wisdom for today!

Next Bible Study: Dec 11th at 12:30

Pickle Ball games for our congregation

Pickle Ball takes place every **Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 4 pm**. If you'd like more information, or if you would like to get some education on the rules and instruction on how to play, please contact the office.

Next Pickle Ball: Wednesday, Dec 11th

AMS Christmas Lunch

The December AMS Meeting will be a joint Christmas lunch with our sister church, St. Andrew's! It will be held on Thursday, Dec 12th at 1pm in the Armour room at St. David's.

Good Companions

Good Companions will be taking a break for the rest of December, returning to a regular schedule on **Thursday, January 9th, 2025.**

Bridges to Hope – November 2024 Update:

Nov 2024 was our food pantry's busiest month on record!!

844 food hampers were distributed to 1,754 people which included 208 seniors and 611 children. 189 emergency hampers were distributed to those who had already received a hamper. There were 65 new families or individuals using BTH for the first time. For the BTH newsletter, go to <https://bridgestohope.ca> and choose "About Us", and then the "Newsletter" to see their latest newsletter.

Bridges to Hope: Weekly "Flyer" Specials – December 5 - 11, 2024 - Items helpful for food hampers:

No Frills -	Campbell's Soups - \$0.88
Dominion -	Graves Apple Juice - \$1.25
Lawtons -	Colgate Toothpaste - \$0.99
	Heinz Beans or Pasta – 4/\$5.00 *

*3 days only – Dec. 6/7/8

The suggested item(s) for **December 2024**, especially useful for Bridges To Hope – **Canned Meat**. Other non-perishable food items are always welcome and appreciated! While Bridges to Hope always has an ample supply of dog food, they have a shortage of cat food. Your help in this area would be appreciated too. Thank you.

The Board of Managers

The BOM are looking for new members. If you think that you might be interested in being part of the Board, we would love to hear from you. Maybe consider attending one of the monthly meetings to see what we are all about. You would be most welcome!

Sunday Coffee Hour Volunteers

Sunday Coffee Hour is a lovely custom we have at St. David's. 😊

We are looking for individuals and families to help assist with setting up and/or serving ... there is really not much to it and other volunteers would be delighted to show you the ropes! We have all that you would need – including the baking!

The December sign up sheet has been put on the refrigerator in the kitchen ~ maybe take a peek at your schedule and see if you may be able to assist one Sunday... it would be truly appreciated.

News from the Pews - Newsletter

Our next once-a-month, Newsletter for December was emailed out on Sunday, December 1st ~ thank you to everyone involved in the “putting together process”. We are delighted with how well it is being received by YOU, our St. David's family!

If you are not already on our email list, please contact the office and we will happily add you to the list. If you would prefer to have one dropped of at your home, we can do that too!! It would be our pleasure!

We would love to read your stories and see your pictures, hear about special events, a holiday-trip, a treasured pastime and **maybe share a favourite Christmas recipe!!** We are interested in any of the ways you would like to stay in touch and connect with each other. Send your stories to: stdavids@nfld.com ~ thank you!

The January 2025 Issue of the News from the Pews Newsletter will not be sent out until January 8th. Please have your submissions for that issue in by **January 3rd, 2025. Thank you! 😊**

How to reach us:

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Good Companions (Seniors): Call Heather in the Office

Bible Study: Rev. David Sturtevant

Atlantic Mission Society: Kathy McKay & Penny Gillies

Prayer Shawl (Knitters): Lillian Crawford

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