St. David's Church Announcements for Sunday, Jan 12th 2025

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:

Sunday School: Today's lesson: Sin ~ December Memory Verse: Psalm 8

Our need for additional volunteers makes it difficult for us to respond to children who need consistent one-on-one care. In the event that a child needs ongoing behavioural help during Sunday School or is wandering from the group, we may ask parents to come assist with their child's learning, or else return the child to their parents in the service so the rest of the class can continue. If you have a child with special considerations, please speak to Sarah King before the service.

Creche/Playroom:

We have an unsupervised Creche/playroom for Families to use. This space is available to use anytime and during the worship service.

Though please be reminded that it is unsupervised.

Pop-Up Choir Call:

The next Pop-Up Choir will be next Sunday, January 19th
The Pop-Up Choir will meet with Brian at 9:30am in the Sanctuary for rehearsal
followed by the 11am service. And do let Brian know either way, so he can
Prepare accordingly. Thank you!

AMS:

The January **AMS meeting will be held today** after the service in the Armour. Join us for a light lunch, with a devotional and meeting to follow. All are welcome.

Donations and Year-end Tax receipts:

You may have heard that the Government of Canada has announced an extension of charitable donations to February 28, 2025.

Please ensure that cheques are dated for 2024. Donations may also be made by etransfer and that email is: stdavidsnfld@gmail.com

Please be sure to specify donation is for 2024. Thank you.

Session: Will meet on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:30pm

Futures Committee: Will meet on Wednesday, January 15th at 7pm

Board of Managers: Will meet on Wednesday, January 22nd at 7:30pm

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!

Bible Study:

Our group meets weekly on **Wednesdays at 12:30 pm.** We will be following along with the past Sunday's weekly bible area of focus in our walk through the story of the bible. Members are encouraged to draw parallels between parts of the story and other similar or contrasting stories, with Rev. David providing parallels in the stories of Jesus. Connections to personal life or other stories are also frequent, and are very welcome! **Next Bible Study: Wed, January 15th at 12:30pm**

<u>Pickle Ball games for our congregation</u>: This lively group meets on <u>Wednesday from 2 to 4pm – Next date</u>: January 15th

Good Companions

Good Companions will meet on Thursday, January 16th, 2025, from 2 to 4pm

News from the Pews - Newsletter

Our next once-a-month, Newsletter will be sent out to the Congregation on Saturday, February 1st, 2025.

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 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!** ©

Yes, it's that time of year... Annual Report time! Please have all Yearend Reports emailed to the office by the end of January. Thank you!

BRIDGES TO HOPE:

Weekly "Flyer" Specials – January 9 – 15, 2025 - Items helpful for food hampers:

Walmart - Campbell's Soups - \$0.77

Dominion - No Name Mac & Cheese - \$1.00

Campbell's Soups - \$1.00

The suggested item(s) for January 2025, especially useful for Bridges To Hope – Peanut Butter/Cheez Whiz. 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.

Bridges to Hope – 2024 Year In Review:

In 2024, overall visits to our food bank increased by 31% from 2023, for a total number of 17,191 food bank visits - of this number, 2492 were Seniors. The largest demographic increase we saw in 2024 was among children (0-18 years). Children made up 5643 visits to our food bank last year, up from 3450 in 2023.

This marks a 63.5% increase. For the full BTH Programming Statistics for 2024

and their newsletter, go to https:// bridgestohope.ca and choose "About Us", and then the "Newsletter" to see their latest newsletter.

How to reach us:

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Music Director: Brian Way

Administrator: Heather Steele Morrissey

Church Office: 709-722-2382

Church Email: stdavids@nfld.com

Women's Auxiliary: Lillian Crawford

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

Session: Lillian Crawford (Clerk)

Sue Templeton Ken Templeton Janet Calver

Aubrey Bonnell Penny Gillies Eleanor Bonnell

Jenny Griffioen Kathy McKay Steve Bruneau

Jennifer Waterman Ian Bruneau Ed Vanderkloet

Envelope Secretary: Ian Bruneau

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Board of Managers: Jill Bruneau, Keegan Allen, Anne Calver,

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