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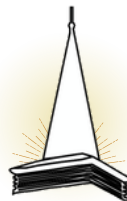
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Minister's Message



1: Oliver proudly showing his catch

This summer, together with my son Oliver, I had my first experience jigging for cod. We were on vacation on beautiful Fogo island, and a local took us out on his boat. It was Oliver's 9th birthday, and we were in fact jigging in the waters off of the surprisingly aptly named Oliver's Cove.

The day was sunny and fair, the waves were big enough to be fun for the boys but not so big that anyone felt unsafe (the deft hand of our skipper was also, I'm sure, quietly playing a part in our comfort). We motored around, dropped our lines, wiggled them up and down a bit, then reeled them in and moved on to try another spot in what looked to me like random spots in the great expanse of the sea.

Spending time in the outports of Newfoundland, it is impossible not to feel a connection to that old way of life. How many men made their living on these waters, passing their day as we were doing! The gunnels along the side of our boat had many grooves worn in them from years of fishing line sliding back and forth in the hopes of catching a fish. I sat with the line in my hand, the cool fresh breeze and the warm sun on my back and I looked around at the beautiful views of Fogo island and thought to myself:

"What a life! I think these fishermen had the best office in the world, jigging peacefully waiting for fish, looking at the view in the fresh air."

Of course, life was harder for them than for me as a vacationer. I was out for an hour, they were out all day. I was out on a calm, sunny, cool day, they were out every day rain, sun, sleet or gale. I got fresh cod as a treat, they had no Sobeys for alternatives.

This fall, I am preaching on the exercise of prayer for our spiritual health, beginning with the practice of "adoration", learning to open our eyes to the good in the world around us. I adored the experience of jigging, fishermen would no doubt adore a warm cozy office with friendly church folks around and nothing smelling of fish.



Here, is a prayer for *you*

Pray it as often as you like, in part or in whole, filling in the blanks with whatever strikes you at the moment. You don't have to go to Fogo to find good worth celebrating, but practicing prayer like this is good for you wherever you are! Come out and join us each Sunday at 11, as I teach more about the spiritual exercises of our faith and how they can strengthen us for any day that may come. Hope to see you soon!

Dear God,

You have made good things,

I see _____ and it is good.

I hear _____ and it is good.

I feel _____ and it is good.

There is something new that is good:

There is something old that is good:

There is something private that is good:

There is something public that is good:

Lift up my head, Lord, so that I won't miss the view.

Quiet the stresses of my heart, so I don't drown out something better.

Blow across me with your spirit so I tingle with the sensation.

Fill me with joy, and I will praise you.

In Jesus name, Amen.

Rev. David

MINISTER AT ST. DAVID'S PRESBYTERIAN



Treasurer's Report

Message for News from the Pews September 2026

The summer seemed to motor by. We're now into "back to school" and "back to the normal fall-winter-spring church calendar" mode. Yes, we are indeed back after the summer rest. There are some items that require thought in the next couple of months, including the dreaded oil bill. More on that later.

Thanks to Steve Bruneau and friends and our summer student, Aidan, there was some work completed in the Church and on the grounds around the Church. The work included a set of steps to the upper level of the new playground, a blossoming community garden, some freshly painted walls in the Sanctuary and in the Hall, and cleaned pews and wood surfaces. We also had a company drop by and clean the furniture and rugs in the Armour Room.

We applied for a summer student with funding from the federal Student Grants 2026 program. We went through the federal Job Bank and interviewed a successful applicant. Aidan Bailey started work on July 3rd. He made a great difference to the church's pews and woodwork and several of our walls have sparkling new paint. Aidan also kept our lawns trim and also watered the church's beautiful plants and our new grass in front of the ANC House (next door) and in front of our new digital sign.

We were not so fortunate in applying for a grant under a federal accessibility program. We missed the application deadline by merely minutes and so lost the ability to install a new audio-visual system in the sanctuary and Armour Room. All the work that went into preparing for the application has not been lost or forgotten. The Board plans to create a Grant Library where we can store valuable information for upcoming grant opportunities.

Over the summer I put some thought into possible future grant opportunities. They are mainly in three areas: accessible or gender-neutral washrooms, major audio-visual upgrade project for the sanctuary and Armour Room, and projects related to climate change adaptation. I'm again asking for input from the congregation. Of the three projects listed above, how would you rate them in importance?

And I'm also seeking your help. Do you know of anyone in the congregation or in the community at large who would be willing to help out with grant writing, researching grant opportunities for St. David's, and preparing submissions? If so, please get in touch me.



Now for the dreaded oil bill...

Remember the Treasurer's Report back in May's NFPs? Here it is again:

*I'm being asked questions about the price of oil. We are on an automatic payment plan, running from December of one year to November of the next. In the 2023-24 year we had a credit balance of \$5,171.42 which I was able to persuade Irving to deposit into our checking account on Nov 18 2024. They also reduced our monthly payment from \$2,299 to \$2,036 to try to balance us out for 2024-25. Happily, in November 2025 we also had a \$3,111.50 CREDIT balance. Last year I did not go after Irving. I let it slide forward into the 2025-26 year. At the end of April 2026, our credit balance had turned into a debit balance of **\$7,785.90**. This was due to the long, cold, and windy winter and to the reduction in our monthly payment, almost \$300 from 2024-25. What are we going to do? I am going to start turning down the heat whenever and wherever possible. What will Nov 2025 bring? I'm not sure, but I do expect to have to pay Irving this year.*

The September Irving invoice let me know that our current outstanding amount due is \$5,350, meaning we've used that much more expensive oil than we've paid for. If we purchase zero (0) litres of oil in the next two months and pay our normal monthly payments of \$2,025, come November, I'll still have to pay Irving \$1,300. Now comes the scary part – If we purchase the same amount of oil as last year (1,904 litres) at this year's latest price (\$2.012/litre) and still take off the automatic payments (\$2,050), I will still have to pay Irving **\$7,119.53** in November.

Heather and others can attest that I did a really good job of turning down (or off) the heat during the summer months, but now that Fall is setting in, the heat will need to be turned up. Please keep this in mind as the collection plate is passed around.

We are renown as being a friendly, **warm**, and welcoming congregation and our heating bill certainly attests to the warmth people find at St. David's!

And finally, to all our good friends and supporters who give their time and enthusiasm to so many tasks, both outdoors and in – everything from re-doing the tape on the pickleball court, to helping out with small maintenance jobs around the church, putting up the playground set and building the community garden raised beds, and helping with our restarting church activities – my heartfelt thanks!

Condolences

Margaret Howie Armour (McGeachie) (1937 - 2026)

The sympathy of the congregation goes out to the Armour Family children – James, David, Douglas, and Jenny – and their families, on the passing of their mother, Margaret, on July 18, 2026. Margaret passed peacefully away at home in Montreal, Quebec just slightly more than one year after her husband, Jim Armour, died. Margaret will be fondly remembered by many here at St. David's for her enthusiastic participation in the life and ministry of our Church. Besides all that, she was a great friend to all those who knew her. There are many wonderful memories of her time here. She will be deeply missed.

For more details, please check out her obituary at:
<https://mountroyalcem.com/obituary/35280-margaret-howie-armour-nee-mcgeachie/#/>



Happy Birthday



October 2026



Best wishes from everyone here at St. David's, and we hope you have a wonderful birthday with family and friends!

Ava Quinton October 4	Emily Critch October 18	Evelyn Melendy October 24
Pam Bruce October 4	Timothy Bassler October 21	Michelle Sturtevant October 25
Jacqueline Brockerville October 5	Jean Patey October 22	Emily McLean October 28
Julie Gill October 5	Matthew Hudson October 22	Nicholas Lowery October 28
Matthew St. Croix October 11	Harry Crawford October 23	Emily Hancock October 31
Clayton Collins October 14	Penny Stansbury October 24	Eleanor Bonnell October 31
Margo Noseworthy October 15	Ethan Quinton October 24	

Happy Anniversary



October 2026



Monica and Michael McNeill 14th Anniversary October 5
Michelle and David Sturtevant, 13th Anniversary October 5
Mildred and Darrin Greeley, 37th Anniversary October 6
Meghan and David Mochulski, 8th Anniversary October 18
Lillian and Harry Crawford, 58th Anniversary October 19

What's Happening at *St. David's*

September 2026

Bible Study

1:00 PM –
2:30 PM

Bible study has resumed for the season – meeting on Wednesday afternoons, beginning Wednesday September 16.

Good Companions

2:00 PM –
4:00 PM

Good Companions will start their Fall season on Thursday, September 17th beginning 2:00 pm. The Good Companions is a seniors group that meets once a week in the church hall and Armour Room to share in some activities. If you would like to try your hand at carpet bowling, join a game of bridge or 120's or maybe a friendly game of Scrabble. Please join us on Thursday afternoons from 2 – 4pm. All are welcome!

Pop-up Choir

9:30 AM

Pop-up choir will resume on the third Sunday of the month, September 20th. Please plan to meet Brian for rehearsals at 9:30am in the Sanctuary. There will be a short break at 10:40am, followed by the worship service from 11:00am to 12:00 noon.

Fall schedule:

Sunday, September 20th
Sunday, October 18th
Sunday, November 15th
Sunday, December – TBA

Women's Auxiliary

12:00 PM

Our monthly Lunch/Bridge will resume on Tuesday, September 22nd. Tables of four (4) must be booked in advance. Cost \$20.00 per person.

The next meeting of the WA will be held on Tuesday, September 29th 2026 at noon in the Armour Room to discuss and plan upcoming events, including the October Bridge Party.

If you would like to join this vibrant group, drop by and get to meet the ladies. There is a great lunch, a short devotion, and a business meeting where the plans for the next activities take place.



Contemporary Service

11:00 AM

Our contemporary services will resume in September, beginning with our first taking place on Sunday, September 27th. Contemporary services take place each month, on the fourth Sunday.

Joint Service

11:00 AM

Joint services with our sister church, The Kirk, will resume on Sunday, September 27th at St. David's, followed by a time of fellowship with tea, coffee and sweets in the Hall!

September is also Hunger Action Month, a national awareness campaign focused on raising awareness of food insecurity and supporting those in need. We're pleased to be partnering with Bridges to Hope as part of this important initiative, with a big food drive taking place on September 27th. More details on how you can get involved will be shared soon!

Editor's Note

Session, Sunday School, and the Atlantic Mission Society have begun in early September prior to the publishing of this newsletter. Details on Pickleball will be shared soon.

Early October 2026

Additional events taking place in October will be shared in our October 2026 News from the Pews Newsletter

Prayer Shawl

10:00 AM

The Prayer Shawl Knitters will hold their first monthly meeting of the fall on Tuesday, October 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the Armour Room. No knitting experience is required! Join us for a fun and friendly morning of knitting, fellowship and good conversation. Everyone is welcome!

Holy Communion

11:00 AM

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, October 4th. We invite you to join us for this special service as we gather together in worship, reflection and fellowship. October 4th is also expected to be VOWR Sunday. More details will be shared as we get closer to the date.



Happenings Around the Church

BY JANET CALVER



1-3: The garden progress

Well, if you haven't been around the Church grounds in a while, you'll notice some big changes when you do look.

It perhaps all started with a dream that Michelle Sturtevant had for a safe little space where the Sunday School children could play and perhaps have a little garden space to plant some seeds early in the Spring. It didn't take long for Michelle's enthusiasm to spread and before you knew it, a group was formed to make her wish a reality.

Steve Bruneau took the lead role on construction. Thanks to Steve and several other "worker-bees", some wonderful changes have been made!

The first thing you might notice is a sturdy set of steps leading up over the bank. These steps lead you to the newly painted white picket fence. When you look over the fence, you'll see a transformation! What used to be nothing more than weeds and rocks is now a beautiful garden space.

Steve has put his Kubota to good use and has levelled off a surprisingly large area on the side and back of our Church property. He has also put in place a top-notch playground structure complete with swings, grab bars and chute-chute! The play structure is intended for use by the St. David's children community and for the children who temporarily stay at the Ada Barnes House next door.

Beyond the playground, Steve and friends have installed some raised beds which will be put to good use as a little community garden for members of our Church community and others in the neighbourhood. There are additional future hopes and plans, but the work completed so far, has been tremendous. A big thank-you to everyone who has played a role in this initiative! Stay tuned! ■



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Work Around the Ada Barnes House

SUBMITTED BY
STEVE BRUNEAU

We received this note from Steve Bruneau about the great things that have happened over the past few weeks at the Ada Barnes House next door to St. David's. Read on...

The Ada Barnes House operated by Safe Haven for New Canadians Inc (Formerly the St David's Group Homes Inc.) has undergone some improvements! A new driveway, widened for two cars, will help serve our tenant, the ANC, much better. A new retaining wall looks great and removes the eyesore of the tumbling wooden structure. We have levelled the area between the house and church parking lots, effectively pushing the embankment away from Elizabeth Ave.

This new grading eases snow clearing and sight lines but most importantly it makes room for a new bus shelter. We are in discussions with Metrobus and the City about the installation of much-needed shelter in front of our church. The shelter and installation is at their cost and would be similar to the other aluminum and glass bus shelters with solar panels for lighting. Lastly, the old sign was removed as part of the grading.

A new sign will be installed reflecting the house name, operators and any other information that is agreed to by consensus of all parties. We are excited for its completion! ■



Out and About

Our Congregation over the Summer



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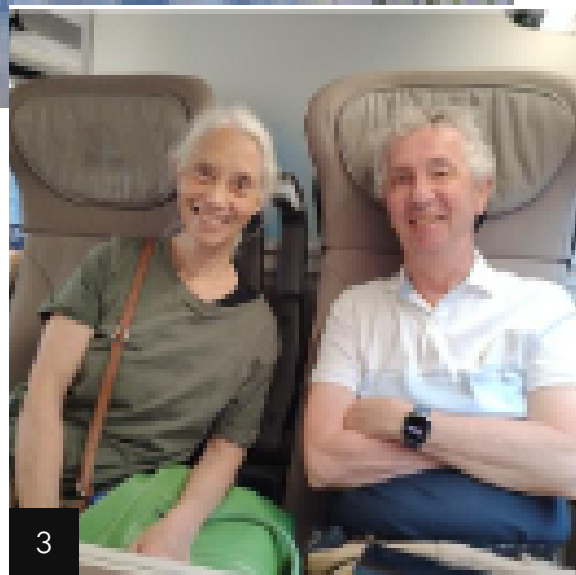
BY JANET CALVER

1: Corner Brook, 40 years later. 3: On the Eurostar train.
2: Garden Results. 4: Baltic III Making Progress.

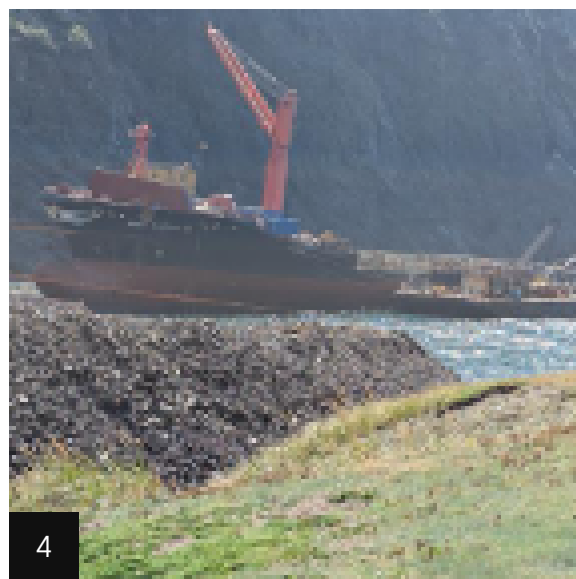
This was a special summer for us in many ways and one we'll remember forever. We went on a trip to Europe with two good friends and while there, we took our first cruise, attended an Andre Rieu concert in his hometown of Maastricht in the Netherlands and got to ride the train under the English Channel! When we got home, it was time to get serious with our garden and get those veggies growing. And then in August, Brian's sister, Paulette, arrived from New Zealand and spent a week here in Newfoundland before travelling on to Nova Scotia and Ontario to meet up with other siblings before heading home. Paulette had not been back to Newfoundland in over 40 years and she was so excited. She couldn't get over the changes in both St. John's and Corner Brook (where she was born). Needless to say, we didn't stop much - too much to see! (While we were on the west coast, we hiked to Wild Cove (aka Cedar Cove) to see the progress with the Baltic III ship that was grounded there.) ■



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Music in the Hall

Summer Concert Series



BY JANET CALVER

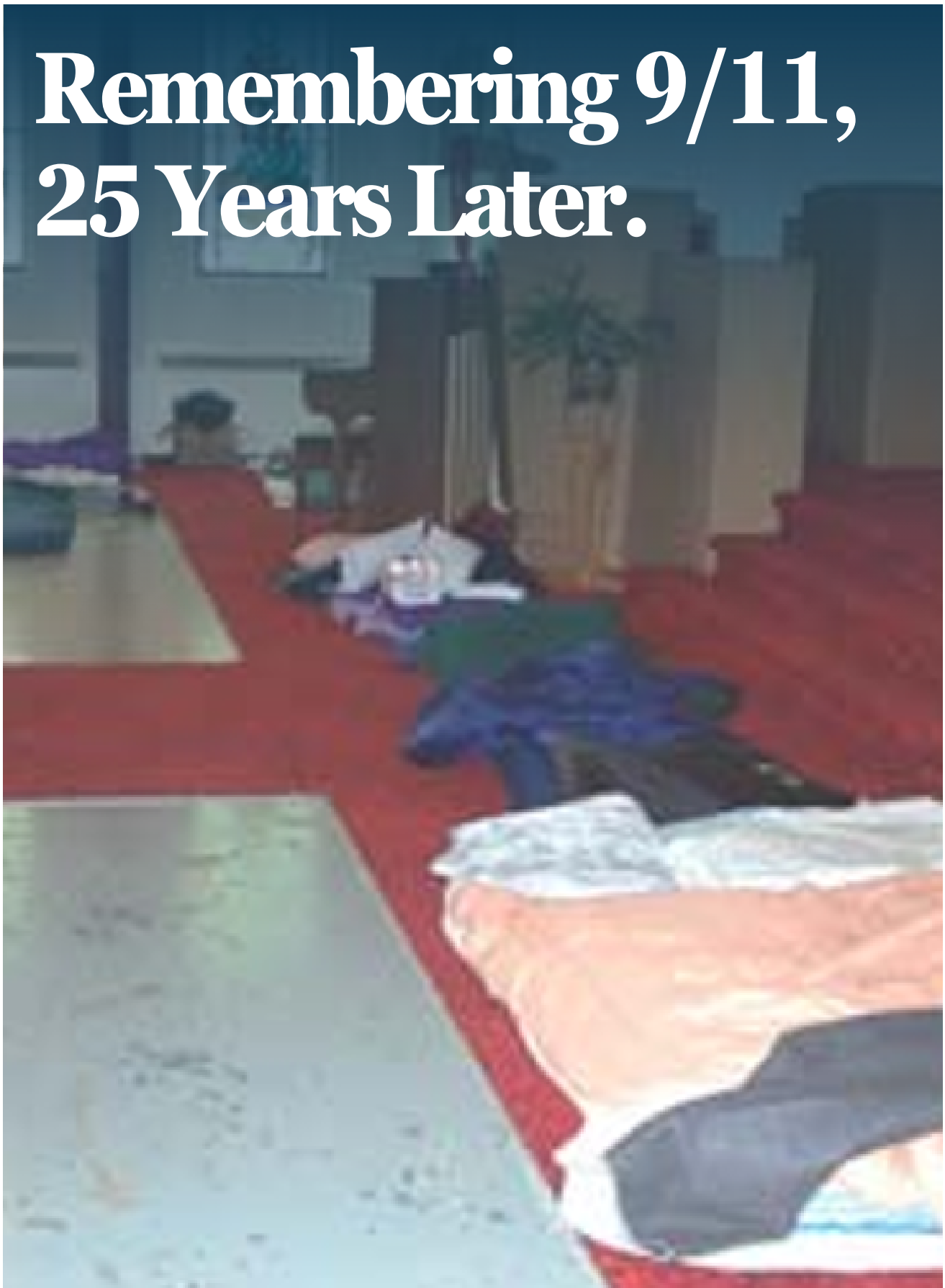
1: Brian, David, Wendy and Dominic
2: Scott, Sonya, Michele and Brian



Our July concert featured the Gosse Sisters – Sonya and Michele – along with Scott Mansfield and Brian Way. What a treat to have these two super-talented ladies as part of our Music in the Hall series! Their love for music and singing has defined their lives from an early age. They continue to share their special gift with every performance they give and this concert was no exception. We look forward to their next visit! And many thanks to Scott and Brian for their always terrific accompaniment!

The August concert was sold out and not surprising considering David Pomeroy, Wendy Woodland, Dominic Greene and Brian Way were our guest performers! David and Wendy captured the audience with their outstanding performances – many well known and loved operatic favourites. Dominic's violin and Brian's piano accompaniments added so much to the overall atmosphere. Thanks to all the performers for making it a very special evening and we hope you'll come back soon! ■

Remembering 9/11, 25 Years Later.



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1: Getting started on “something” before confirmation that St. David’s would host anyone.



2: John McLean, David Charmichael and Harold Hammond work on air mattress detail.

Most of us have vivid memories of September 11, 2001. Most can remember where you were or what you were doing when you first heard the news or saw the unbelievable happening right before your eyes. For some within our Church, there were terrifying moments when contact with their own family members living in the targeted areas was lost. But the feelings of fear and uncertainty soon changed to concern for others who had literally landed on our doorsteps.

With thousands of people stranded in our Province, the call soon went out for help.

We know the great story of how the residents of Gander and vicinity, Stephenville, Deer Lake and Happy Valley-Goose Bay, pulled together to make their “guests” feel at home. The same show of love and concern came from members of St. David’s and the St. John’s community as a whole. Our Church did not hesitate to answer the call for assistance. Over 70 stranded passengers came to St. David’s bringing nothing with them but fear and anxiety. While many stayed at St. David’s, others found refuge with our families in their homes. Our compassion gave them the strength to carry on and to believe in goodness again.

So as we remember the day the world changed, we can also reflect on how kindness and caring are even more powerful and life-changing.



If you haven't noticed it, there is a little plaque on the wall in the foyer thanking our congregation for their care and kindness.

And finally, this piece was played in our sanctuary by a German man who was stranded at St. David's. It was completely spontaneous and everyone who was there at the time joined in singing. It was pretty special.

Let There be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, may this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment
in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. ■

Emails received from those who stayed with us during those uncertain days. They shared messages of gratitude, hope, and love.

From: Carol Stewart
Fort Worth, Texas

September 13, 2001.

Thank you & may God bless you. I don't have the words to let all of you know how much your kindness & support mean.

Respect fully.

From: James Stewart, Fort Worth Texas
October 4, 2001

I feel I must also express thanks to you and all who aided in a time of deep and extreme turmoil and confusion. Having read and re-read your kind response to my wife, I felt it necessary to respond personally. May all who encounter another be as generous, and blessed. please accept the following in the spirit in which it was written.

"If this were my last day among you and given five hours of daytime, this is how I hope they may be filled:

Find a young child to gain a smile.
Find a person who needs to smile.
Find one that I've done wrong and
one whose done the same.

In this, there will be atonement.
To find one to teach a skill.
To find one to give a thrill.
Find one whose soul aches
that I can ease some pain.

This will give me contentment.
To find one to aid in time of fear.
To find one to erase a tear.
Find a way to show all who have
given my life gain.

This will give me PEACE.

From: Danine Schilling-Jordan.
Subject: Hebrews 13:2
Date: September 24, 2001.

Rev Duff,

Thank you for writing us back and letting us know what was going on in the past couple weeks- It warms my heart to know that people are still doing God's work and I feel especially BLESSED that my friend and her family were welcomed by you and your congregation. The Ivy's are wonderful Christian people and I am sure that is why an angel guided them to you.

I look forward to hearing from you and sharing your newsletter with the rest of our staff across the United States. Thank you once again for taking in Sara Ivy and her family and the rest of God's children on those flights. Our gratitude at VRS is more than words can express!! And my simple "Thank You" doesn't seem enough, but that is all I can offer. In God's Love,

From: Francis Radoux and Luc Renson.
Flight SABENA 559 American Airlines 6207 / Brussels (Belgium)-Dallas (USA)

Tuesday, September 18, 2001 9:46 AM

Subject: Thanks, many thanks !!!!

Hi Dear You All!

I'm back home (!) after all those days... Many thanks for your hospitality, your kindness, the way you take care of us! It's unbelievable. After days we now realize what happens. The terror for all those families now missing someone. Fortunately you transform our tragedy into hopes, hopes that it was finished, hopes to see our families very soon. We were all together, like a big family, sleeping, eating and waiting.

Many thanks for the time you gave us, taking care of any doubts, of any enquiries. I could not remember the name of all of those from the community and the others, but please be kind to transmit our very best greetings and thanks to all.

As a reminder, I carefully keep the calendar you gave us as an image of friendship, of hope, of liberty as the associated pictures suggest beauty, calm, serenity and space. Be sure the way you welcome us will stay as unforgettable.

Best Regards to all of You.

P.S. We leave St David Church at around 7:00am Thursday 13th, September, 2001.



REMEMBERING 9/11

a personal reflection

SUBMITTED BY GRACE BUTLER DIFALCO

In New York City (late 1980s), I was fortunate to have visited the twin towers where I enjoyed a delicious meal in the restaurant located at the top.

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1: H.Q. Reception Table—a quieter moment

As the huge elevator lifted "into the sky", I remember being very fearful of getting trapped inside. So I was relieved when the door opened.

That evening, NEVER could I have imagined that being trapped inside the elevator would have been "playful" compared to what its future held and NEVER could I have imagined how our province would become linked forever to NYC by being a refuge to the world as panic, death and horror filled the very building in which I stood to look out over the city lights twinkling as stars through the calm, dark shadows of the evening. NEVER!!

Even when NYC and the world returned to a sort of normal, I tried to place myself inside these massive, concrete towers at the time it was happening. I couldn't, for no one can imagine it, not now, not ever.

Back then, even my little word soldiers were too traumatized to acknowledge the tragedy. In their weakened state, they would fall while trying to march forward. The years rolled on but they never forgot and, recently, they began to march forward once again, carrying a banner for 9/11 and so I have allowed them, in their weak and powerless voice to pay their tribute and to honour lives lost and lives forever changed. ■

Never

We never shall forget that day
When death controlled the skies
Or know the paralyzing fear
Within each haunting cry
We never can imagine
Being trapped inside the halls
Of strangling smoke and rising flames
And crumbling concrete walls
We never can imagine
The fight at any cost
To hold once more our loved ones
Yet knowing all is lost
We never can imagine
The horrors of a flight
Where everyone's held hostage
And, yet, take up the fight
We never can imagine
The chilling, thunderous sound
Of crashing planes and crashing towers
Free-falling to the ground
And, too, we never shall forget
The "tower" of strength inside
Each one who entered, unafraid
As the world stood still and cried.

Grace Butler Difalco

Emails recieved from those who stayed with us during those uncertain days. They shared messages of gratitude, hope, and love.

From: Joe, Jacqueline, Dawn and Stuart Logan
Stewarton, Ayrshire, Scotland

Date: September 30, 2001.

Dear Rev. Duff,

On behalf of my family, I would like to thank yourself and your parishioners for the warmth of welcome, compassion and friendship shown to us all after the tragic events of 11th September.

We were stranded in what we stood up in but through the generosity of one of your families I am now proud to call friends, namely Freda, Ian and Laura Denness, we were taken to the local shopping Mall where we could purchase a change of clothing. Freda and her family eventually allowed us to share their home for the remaining three days prior to departing. For that I am eternally grateful as my wife Jacqueline has a disability and was beginning to suffer a bit sleeping on the floor.

Still that suffering is nothing compared to the people of New York on September 11th. We all have our health and families when others have lost everything. I can relate in some small way to the rescue services as I was a serving Police Officer during the Lockerbie disaster in the late 80's. I too had to recover the victims and worked for three weeks in the mortuary personally dealing with 86 victims. I can assure you that I can still, even after so long a time remember almost all, and watching the TV news brought everything back to me so vividly.

It is truly amazing the resilience and fortitude of the human spirit in times of trouble and distress. An example being Lillian, who must have worked through 36 hours without a break and still had a smile for everyone.

Would you please convey my eternal thanks to all your parishioners and be assured that I will never forget my trip to Newfoundland which to many of us is truly a New-Foundland. But as your Church is styled on the Church of Scotland, and many of the parishioners are from Scotland, I would expect nothing less.

Best Regards,

From: Valerie Delacave
Subject: Thanks for the 11th of September help.
Date: October 18, 2001 7:26 AM

Dear all,

I have not had the occasion yet to thank you for the incredible solidarity and love that we felt when we were stuck in Canada following the 11th of September attacks.

I was on my way from Brussels, my country's capital, to attend a conference in Las Vegas, when I suddenly ended up discovering Newfoundland and its reputable hospitable people.

I want to thank you all, and please mention this to all of those who helped out, for the amazing reaction that people had. I was travelling on my own that day, and thanks to your people, the whole experience remains a sweet memory. It is weird to say, considering the cause that brought us there, but your community was so protective and dedicated. Your people showed that bad can bring out the best of people as well, it sounds cliché, but I experienced it comes from truth.

This said, I hope that you are all doing fine, and thanks again.



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Groups and Events

If you have an event coming up or information to share, let us know.



Bridges to Hope

“The Weekly "Flyer" Specials with items helpful for food hampers”, will be included in your weekly Announcements insert in the Order of Service. 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 – Monthly Update for September 2026:

Our food bank saw a total of 1888 visits in the month of August. Children (aged 0-17) made up 32% of this total with Seniors (aged 60+) accounting for 4% of the total.

 39 Cookstown Rd, St. John's, NL A1C 4G7

 <https://bridgestohope.ca/>

JOIN ST. DAVID'S AND ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES
FOR A **HUNGER ACTION MONTH**

FOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

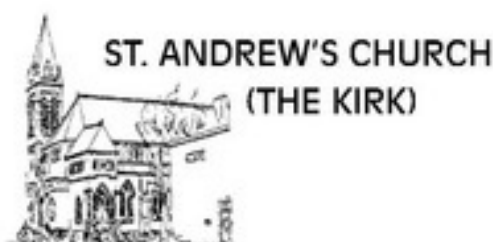
ST. DAVID'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 98 ELIZABETH AVE
11:00 AM (DURING REGULAR SERVICE)

Most Needed Items:

- Fresh carrot, potato, onion, and turnip
- Rice
- Pasta and pasta sauce
- Cereal and oatmeal
- Flour
- Sugar
- Cooking oil
- Kids' snacks (juice boxes, granola bars, applesauce, Goldfish crackers, etc)



TAKE ACTION ON HUNGER THIS SEPTEMBER.





Sunday Coffee Hour Volunteers

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

We are grateful for the coffee hour volunteers for all their help over the summer! That time of fellowship is so important to provide every Sunday and we can't thank you enough for your efforts - they go above and beyond! The September/October sign up schedule is now available in the kitchen.

In addition, 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! If you have a spare Sunday to help out just let the kitchen helpers know and we will walk you through it!

Thank you!



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Do you recycle your beverage containers? At St. David's, we do!

Throughout the year, the church, and some congregation members, drop off recyclables and donate the proceeds to St. David's. At the end of the year, the account is cleared and the amount divided equally between St. David's Women's Auxiliary and St. David's AMS. This year, the AMS will donate their proceeds to their latest project, PWH20-01, "Water, Sanitation and Hygiene".

Would you like to help us? Here's how:

- Drop off your recyclables at one of the recycling depots, enter the church's phone number (722-2382) on the monitor, and that's it!
- If you go into the depot counter, just tell them you'd like to donate the recycling to St. David's Church. They'll take care of the rest!

"Without water drops, there can be no oceans; without steps, there can be no stairs; without little things, there can be no big things!"



Music in the Hall

The next concert in our “Music in the Hall Concert Series” will be back in our warm and welcoming Hall on Friday, October 9th. It will be a Glen Campbell tribute concert with Bob MacDonald, Steve Power, Sandy Morris, Scott Mansfield and Music Director Brian Way.

To reserve your tickets, you can contact the main office by calling **709-722-2382** or by emailing **musicinthehall250@gmail.com**. Tickets remain the same at \$25 per person. The performance will begin 8:00 pm, with doors opening at 7:30pm.

The complete list of concerts - can be found on the Tower door entry bulletin board. And on our website under “concerts”.

Here is the schedule for the remaining concerts in the series:

Sunday, November 22nd: Gospel in the Sanctuary featuring Darrin Martin & Jonathan Parsons with Music Director Brian Way. An encore performance of our uplifting gospel concert!

Saturday, December 12th: “On a Winter’s Night” (Sanctuary) Shelley Neville & Bob MacDonald with Scott Mansfield and Music Director Brian Way. We are beyond delighted to celebrate these four performers and musicians in our 4th annual Christmas Concert!

Church Information

Questions, have an idea, or need assistance? Contact us!

Church Office Hours:

-  Tuesday to Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
-  709-722-2382 (General office)
-  709-699-3661 (Rev. David Sturtevant)
-  stdavidsinstjohns@gmail.com (messages are checked regularly!)

Pastoral Care

-  For Pastoral Care please contact Rev. David Sturtevant at 709-699-3661

Donations

-  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!
-  You can find more ways to donate on our website, stdavids.nf.ca/donations-2/

How to Reach us:

Minister: Rev. David Sturtevant – Cell. 709-699-3661

Music Director: Brian Way

Administrator: Heather Steele Morrissey

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): c/o Lillian Crawford

Session

Lillian Crawford (Clerk)

Sue Templeton Ken Templeton

Janet Calver Aubrey Bonnell

Penny Gillies Eleanor Bonnell Jenny Griffioen

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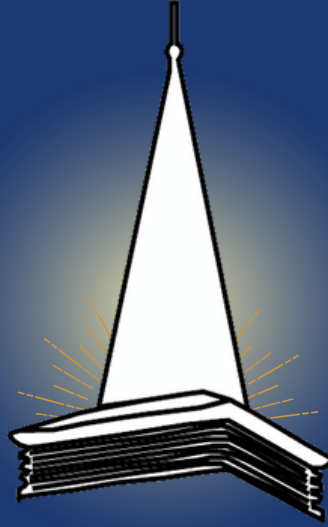
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