

The Presbyterian Church of

Saint David

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers,
Halifax, N.S. (by Memorial Library)

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Minister Emeritus: Rev.

Dr. John Pace

Organist: Tristan Cleveland-Thompson

Clerk of Session: Murray Alary

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day

World Communion October 2, 2011

* All who are able are asked to stand.

God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude: Prelude: Elevation by Couperin

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship: *We are all one family.*

We are all one family, made in the image of God.

We are all one family, all over the world, each unique, each special.

We are all one family, brothers and sisters.

We are all one family, given gifts and talents to share.

We are all one family, united in love, united in peace, united in Christ our Lord. AMEN.

*Hymn "All people that on earth do dwell" **65**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession: Jesus prayed that we might be one. One in spirit, One in mission, In union and communion with each other and with You.

Today, God, we confess fumbleings and failures in accomplishing unity, as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task. On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and



celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen. (Silence is kept)

One: Lord have mercy. All: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon: In the name of the one who prayed we all may be one, I declare that our brokenness and separation has been ended and our new life and unity have begun in the love of Jesus Christ Amen.

We Hear God's Word

"Speak, Lord, in the stillness" (sung unannounced) **442**

First Reading: *Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20*

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 19**

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Gloria Patri (sung)


Hymn "We are one" (1-3) **471**

Family Conversation

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| Hymn | <i>"We are one"</i> | (4) | <u>471</u> |
| From the letters: | | <i>Philippians 3:4b-14</i> | |
| Gospel: | | <i>Matthew 21:33-46</i> | |
| <i>One: The Gospel of the Lord.</i> | | All: Praise to you, O Christ | |
| *Hymn | <i>"You satisfy the hungry heart"</i> | | <u>538</u> |
| Sermon: | I want to know Christ | | |
| | (and the power of his resurrection!) | | |

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem  Anthem: Lamb of God by Robert Ray
 Soloist is Daniel Wheeler
 *Doxology: *"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"* **830**
 The Apostles' Creed – inside back cover – Book of Praise
 Offertory Prayer
 Announcements
 Invitation
 Communion Hymn: *"One bread one body"* **540**
 Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (Please follow at 564) ending with
 Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")
 Celebration of the Sacrament
 Prayer following Communion

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: *"Now let us from this table rise"* **556**
 *Benediction:
"Irish Blessing" by James Moore
 May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back.
 May the sun shine warm upon your face, The rains fall soft upon your fields.
 And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand.
 Choral Amen: (Please be seated for the Amen)
 Postlude: The Lords Prayer by Jeff Enns
Worship is now ended, let our service begin!

We welcome all who are worshipping here today! If you are here for the first time, please sign the Guest Book at the main entrance.

We welcome younger children to our services! St. David's is a breast feeding friendly facility. If desired a **nursery room** is available with an audio link. The **welcoming elder** this morning is Valerie Macdonald. Our hosts for the coffee hour are Di and Fred McClintock. The reader this morning is Fred McClintock.

The 3 R's at Saint David's - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

This is a 'scent free' zone for the comfort of all.

The church parking lot is to be used for church business only!

Please ensure that people meeting here have a place to park.

THIS WEEK - (October 2 – October 9)

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| Sunday | 9:00 am | Early service with communion: This is a 1/2 hour service of meditation, music and message celebrating the Season of Creation. Please join us! |
| | 10:00 am | Circle of Prayer |
| | 11:00 am | Traditional Service |
| Tuesday | 2:00 pm | Worship and Church Life Committee |
| | 7:00 pm | M & O will be meeting in the church hall. |
| New members warmly welcomed - We need your help so come and make a difference in our world! | | |
| Tuesday & Thursday | 9:30-10:30 am | Fitness Classes |
| Thursday | 1:30 | St. Vincent Communion – all are most welcome to come and participate! |
| | 7:30 pm | Choir Practice |
| Friday | 10:00 am – 1:00 pm | David's Place (Hall) |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Early service with communion: |
| | 10:00 am | Circle of Prayer |
| | 11:00 am | Thanksgiving Service |

Food Drive in support of David's Place on Oct 9/11 - Please bring in non-perishable food items to be given to those in need of Food Bank support at David's Place. These food items will be part of our offering to God on Thanksgiving Sunday. The M & O committee thanks you for all contributions. Anything would be helpful but if possible necessities include more protein. Suggestions: tinned meat or fish, cheese whiz, canned milk, peanut butter.

St. John's United Church, Halifax, would like to invite you to a Taize Prayer this Sunday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. in Studio 3 at the Maritime Conservatory of Performing Arts on Chebucto Rd. Join us for an

evening of songs, scripture, prayer and mediation. Access to the Conservatory will be on the east end of the building, beside St. Matthias Lane. All welcome.

Women's Inter-Church Council: FALL RALLY

**And Fellowship of the Least Coin
INGATHERING SERVICE 2011**

Theme: "Pray and Act For Change"

Monday, October 24, 2011 – 7:00pm

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 216 School Street, Dartmouth.

Guest Speaker Sister Mary Morris co-founder of Marguerite

Centre a long-term residential facility for women in recovery from addictions and abuse.

The Helen M. Watson Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Saint

David Applications for financial assistance from the Helen M.

Watson Fund will be received prior to October 31, 2010. The Helen M. Watson Fund of The Presbyterian Church of Saint David

produces income to be used "exclusively for local missionary work in Nova Scotia". If you have any questions, please contact either Mac Mackay- (902) 422-5481 or David Craig- (902) 477-8751. Application Form and Guidelines Document, may be obtained from the Church Office (902) 423-1944, or by E-Mail: stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca after October 1, 2010

**Food Fight: Food Security, Human Rights & Ending Poverty
Join us to commemorate October 17th, the International Day for
the Eradication of Poverty. A weekend of engaging Halifax
events for the entire community:**

Saturday Oct 15 @ 11am-4pm: Community Fair, Speakers & Panels on Poverty at Home and Abroad. Halifax North Memorial Public Library. Sunday Oct 16 @ 1-4pm: Fair Food Fair hosted by Oxfam at the Seaport Farmers Market. Fundraiser for the East Africa Famine Relief. Sunday Oct 16 @ 7pm (Doors open at 6:30): Concert Fundraiser & Social at The Company House, Gottingen St. Proceeds to local poverty advocacy and East Africa Famine Relief. \$10 Suggested donation or PWYC at the door.

Monday, Oct 17 @ 9:30am: First Voice First: A practical workshop for First Voice Advocates and Allies. Brunswick Street United Church. @ 12 noon: Rally and March beginning at Brunswick Street

United Church For additional information, or to get involved please contact mphhalifax@gmail.com or waynemaacnaughton@gmail.com

MISSION CAPSULES

NICARAGUA: Helping feed the hungry

Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Denise Van Wissen, a nutritionist who, after three years of working in Guatemala, has returned to Nicaragua to serve as a technical advisor at *Soynica*. Soynica promotes the right to food security and helps families break the vicious cycle of poverty. Denise works in Managua with another Soynica nutritionist on the nutritional aspects of various projects. Among many other things, Denise updates the content of Soynica's educational workshops, keeps Soynica staff up-to-date on current nutrition topics and reviews and analyzes periodic reports. Let us pray for Denise as she works to make a difference in the lives of families in Nicaragua.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP *World Communion Sunday*

Pray for our partner churches in countries around the world. May we be faithful partners, reflecting the mutual nature of mission.

STEWARDSHIP We are *all* stewards, Guides, leading the way. We are the light-bearers Brightening the path of today.

Dave Brandon, Dare to be Stewards

PASTORAL CARE

Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact one of the following:



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