



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 November 20, 2011

**Christ the King Sunday**

*\*All who are able are asked to stand.*

Through the Scriptures the church is bound only to  
**Jesus Christ its King and Head.**

He is the living Word of God to whom the written word  
bears witness. (from Living Faith)

**God Calls Us to Worship**

Prelude: Melodie by Purvis

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship:

\*Hymn: God of mercy, God of grace **39**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession: We draw near to you in spirit  
and in truth, that we might worship and adore you, Lord God. We  
would confess that we have not always loved you, nor loved our

neighbour; we have not always trusted your teaching Lord Jesus,  
nor obeyed your word, nor let you reign in our hearts as king.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us.** We have let possessions be more  
important to us than people; we have been more interested in  
promoting ourselves than in bearing witness to your kingdom; we  
have asked for your forgiveness without being willing to forgive.  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.** We come before you Lord God,  
that we might be set free from all that would come between us and  
you, all that would spoil our lives, and the lives of others, and the  
life of the world. **Lord, have mercy upon us.** We believe that  
your love is from everlasting to everlasting, and includes us; that  
our lives can be transformed, that Christ is willing to dwell within  
us, and rule our unruly wills, and reign in our hearts. For you alone  
can put us right and grant us peace. **Be for us Lord Jesus a  
hiding place from the wind, a shelter in the storm; be for us  
oh Holy Spirit, rivers of water in a dry land, be for us a  
shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Come Lord Jesus, as  
we come to you now, reign in our hearts, reign in your  
church, reign in your world.** Hear this our prayer our God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**We Hear God's Word**

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

First Reading: *Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24*

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

Responsive Reading: *Psalm 100*

*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the  
LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.  
Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are  
his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his  
gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give  
thanks to him, bless his name. For the LORD is good; his  
steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all  
generations.*

Gloria Patri (sung)

\*Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God (1-2) **625**

Conversation with the young people: **Jesus the king**

Hymn: Seek ye first the kingdom of God (3) **625**  
Gospel: *Matthew 25: 31-46*  
*One: The Gospel of the Lord.* **All: Praise to you, O Christ**  
Hymn: Brother, sister, let me serve you **635**  
Sermon: **SERVANT KING (servant leader)**

### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings  
Anthem: Hold Me, Rock Me by Brian Tate  
\*Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" **830**  
Affirmation of Faith : The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of the Book of Praise)  
Offertory Prayer  
Announcements:  
"O Lord, hear my prayer" (*sung unannounced*) **446**  
Prayers of the People: The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")

### We Go Out to Serve God

\*Hymn: Rejoice the Lord is King **267**  
\*Benediction:  
"Irish Blessing" by L. MacLean  
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: March by Charpentier

**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. Our Welcoming Elder this morning is Colin MacPherson. Our scripture reader for this morning is Katherine Blaikie.

**We welcome** younger children to our services! St. David's is a breastfeeding friendly facility. If desired a **nursery room** is available with an audio link.

**The 3 R's at Saint David's** - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.  
**This is a 'scent free' zone for the comfort of all.**

The deadline for the **next newsletter** is today. Please have items to Carol Dobson asap!

### **THIS WEEK - (November 20-November 27)**

**Today** Sunday School: 11:15 am.

7:00 pm Coffee and Conversation

(formerly the Lecture Series). Rabbi Ellis will give an introduction to Judaism today – meet in the Parlour.

**Monday** 7:00 pm Evening Study: join with us in exploring the foundations of faith. Held in the Minister's study

**Tuesday & Thursday** 9:30-10:30 am Fitness Classes

**Wednesday** 10:30 am Morning Study: join with us in exploring the foundations of faith (in the minister's study)

**Thursday** 7:30 pm Choir Practice

**Friday** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm David's Place (Hall)

**Sunday** 9:00 am Early service with communion:

This ½ hour service consists of meditation, music and message.

Please join us! The service this week will explore the Christian understanding of God as Creator.

10:00 am Circle of Prayer.

11:00 am Traditional Service celebrating the first Sunday of Advent.

**Christmas Chowder Luncheon and Sale, 12 – 2 pm Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011** Tickets \$10.00 for chowder lunch, or \$5 for tea & sweets. Shop at the bake table, silent auction and gift table.

Phyllis is looking after the Bake Table and would ask that you pull out your favourite recipe and help us with this fund raising event. We accept bread, rolls, muffins, cookies, cakes, squares, fudge or other kind of candy, jams, pickles, etc. We ask that you put your name on the item and maybe add what price you might expect-

Questions? Call 429-4353 or e-mail pmorrison@eastlink.ca. Please indicate if items contain nuts!

**Christmas Families:** Once again this year we have requested 15 families to support with food and gifts. Watch for tags on the tree by December 11 at the latest. Please remember to sign out your tag. You can also donate money towards the groceries. If you purchase a gift, you may obtain tax credit by giving your receipt to Mac Fyfe. Wrapping Day will be December 21. If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Macdonald at 455-1893.

**PLUM PUDDINGS** . Please consider ordering a pudding for a friend or neighbour and don't forget yourself. November 29<sup>th</sup> is the last day of production, so please order well in advance. Prices: 1 lb - \$10; 1 ½ lb - \$15; 2 lb - \$20. Call Diane McClintock 832-3913

The Ladies Guild of Calvin Presbyterian Church will hold their Christmas Coffee Party, Craft and Bake sale on Saturday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> between 10:30 and Noon. A variety of small hot items will be served as well as Sweet breads and squares. Admission \$7.00

The annual service to mark St. Andrew's Day will be held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church , Dartmouth on Sunday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. with music led by the Kilted choir and refreshments after the service. Preacher: Rev. Sarah Raeburn.

**Total Offerings**

Giving Goal for October: \$13,590

Amount given in October: \$10,324

Thank you for your continuing generosity. The money you give helps Saint David's move on towards Christmas 2011. Then we will be helping Christmas Families and attending Christmas services with stories, music and song. Give where you can, whether it is your money, your energy or your time.

Our giving goal for November is \$13,612.

**Presbyterians Sharing**

Giving goal for 2011:	\$25,000
Given up to October 31st:	\$19,842
Thank you for your generosity to Presbyterians Sharing.	
A Presbyterians Sharing project close to us is the support given to helping the churches of Elmsdale and Hardwood Lands through times of significant transition.	

Annual Turkey Supper – First Sackville Presbyterian Church. 60 Beaver Bank Road, Lower Sackville. Eat-in or Take-out. Three sittings 4:30, 5:15, and 6:00 pm, Saturday December 3, 2011. Adults \$12.00, Child age 6-12 \$5.00, under 6 free. Call 865 8477 for information or to reserve tickets. Also **Bake Sale table.**

**A Child's Christmas in Wales Dec. 4 at 4 pm** The Halifax Camerata Singers, featuring Camerata Xara Young Women's Choir, present a family concert of Christmas music and the reading of *A Child's Christmas in Wales* on Sunday, Dec. 4 at 4 pm at First Baptist Church, Halifax. This popular work will be read by John Hancock, a familiar voice from CBC Radio where he is national sports host and a member of the local Information Morning team.

**Come to the Stable:** You are cordially invited to participate in "Come to the Stable" at St. Matthew's United Church, Barrington @ Spring Garden, on Sunday, November 27 from 2 till 4 pm. In the sanctuary, there will be a collage of Nativity Scenes from around the world to view and appreciate. Singing, stories will be presented, all related to the *Creche*. Light refreshments will be served. Suggested donation is \$5 per person/family.

**“Coping With The Holidays Following The Death Of A Loved One”** Time: 7:00 pm Date: Monday, December 5th, 2011 Venue: Hospice Society House 9 Spring St. Bedford, N.S. Speakers: Jacquie Bell, Nick Zwaagstra & Roy Ellis

**MISSION CAPSULES: CANADA: Working together on Justice Initiatives** Through *Presbyterians Sharing* we support Presbyterians working with KAIROS...Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives. Presbyterians across Canada are involved in

KAIROS campaigns, writing letters to the government and supporting Southern partners. On June 20, 2011, The Moderator of the 137th General Assembly (2011), The Rev. Dr. Rick Horst, joined church leaders from other denominations and over 250 people in Ottawa to celebrate the Canadian Government's endorsement of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and to encourage the government to implement the Declaration. The 2011-2012 KAIROS campaign will explore ways to build bridges of understanding and respect with our indigenous sisters and brothers in Canada and around the world. Let us pray for Presbyterians involved in KAIROS as they contribute to the ecumenical life of the church.



**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** *Reign of Christ Sunday*

Pray that our lives will reflect the reign of Christ on a daily basis.

**STEWARDSHIP** For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. *Matthew 6:21 NRSV*

**PASTORAL CARE**

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

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