

The Presbyterian Church of

Saint David



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

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Organist: Tristan Cleveland-Thompson
Clerk of Session: Murray Alary
Guest speaker: The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Chenard
Moderator of the Presbytery of Halifax and Lunenburg

WELCOME! TO OUR 87TH ANNIVERSARY

Service for the Lord's Day April 22, 2012 Third Sunday of Easter Earth Day

*All who are able are asked to stand.

Our Vision:

A Worshiping-Sharing-Welcoming Community

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Prelude: Prelude: Petit Piece by Bedard

*The Entry of the Scriptures

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

And also with you.

You call us together as your people, O God.

We gather with joy to bring you our praise.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

*Hymn: Guide me O thou great Redeemer

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Prayer of Adoration/Confession (unison) Our hearts are filled with awe, O Lord. You call us your children and we are humbled. You alone are God, ever deserving of our praise and adoration. Accept the worship we bring for we seek to serve you in all things. We know, gracious God, that we have not fulfilled our promises to you. We have not served you always, but served ourselves first. We are deserving of your punishment, yet you give to us forgiveness. For this gift of your grace, we offer ourselves in return. Cleanse our hearts with your Spirit and create a right spirit within us we pray. (silent prayer)

"Speak, Lord, in the stillness"

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First Reading: Acts 3:12-19

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

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 4) Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer. How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? But know that the LORD has set apart the faithful for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him. When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD. There are many who say, "O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O LORD!"

You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O LORD, make me lie down in safety. Gloria Patri (sung)

Hymn: Here I am Lord

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Conversation with the Young People

Young people retire to classes

From the letters: 1 John 3:1-7 Gospel: Luke 24:36b-47

One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ

Hymn Be thou my vision 461

Sermon: "Where does it start?!"

Offering Prayer of Dedication Doxology (830)

Announcements

Anthem: Lux Aeterna by J Rutter Soloist Sophia Nickel

"O Lord, hear my prayer" 446

Prayer

*Hymn: How firm a foundation <u>685</u>

Benediction

*Choral Amen:(Please be seated) *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.

Postlude:

Postlude in D Major by Glazunoff

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. (Envelopes are available in the pews or in the church entrance for those who wish to use them). The welcoming elder this morning is Jamie Campbell. Our reader for today is ______. The refreshment invitation this morning is for a light lunch.

The members of the Saint David's Auxiliary would like to extend thanks to everyone who responded to our appeal for funds for Phoenix House.

Walk for Memories: Saturday, April 28 at 1:00 pm The Bridge Studio 6960 Mumford Rd. \$40 per table. To book a table of four, please contact Nancy Fraser 818-3315

The final **Coffee and Conversation** session will take place next Sunday, April 29 at 7 pm. Representatives from the Halifax Refugee Clinic will be with us to share information about their work. Through the Mission and Outreach Committee, St. David's has developed a partnership with the HRC and helped

them with fundraising. This will be a fitting end to Mission Awareness Sunday.

THIS WEEK - (April 22-29)

Today Sunday School: 11:15 am. Potluck after the service in the hall. M&O committee meeting after this.

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

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!

10:00 am Circle of Prayer.

11:00 am Mission Awareness Sunday

will be celebrated today led by the Mission and Outreach

Committee.

The Tupper Band will present their annual Spring concert this evening at 7:30 pm. We enjoy the proceeds of their Christmas concert, which they provide to us at no charge, so we invite everyone to come out and support the band tonight. Admission is \$10, \$7 for seniors and students.

In celebration of our 87th anniversary, everyone is invited to join us for the luncheon following today's service. There are a number of historical displays and memorabilia in the hall for your information. Please come and have a look.

THE **HELEN M. WATSON FUND** OF THE

Presbyterian Church of Saint David

Applications for financial assistance from the Watson Fund will be received prior to April 30, 2012. The Helen M. Watson Fund of The Presbyterian Church of Saint David generates funds to be used "exclusively for local missionary work in Nova Scotia".

Application Form and Guidelines, may be obtained from the Church Office 423-2660, or by E-Mail: stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca.

PASTORAL CARE



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

Kenn Stright office: 423-2660 home: 477-2870 Valerie Macdonald home: 455-1893



MISSION CAPSULES: CANADA: Justice for Refugees

Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Action Réfugiés Montréal (ARM) as it seeks justice for refugees. Since it was founded in 1994, ARM has helped over 2000 refugees find safety and go on to contribute to Canadian society. The refugee experience is one of exile and loss. When people are forced to flee their country, they lose home, community and often family. ARM's programs help refugees rebuild their lives in their new community. Let us pray for ARM and for refugees who are rebuilding their lives in Canada.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray that we will have hearts open to earth's beauty; may we practice reverent care and stewardship of all that God has given us.

STEWARDSHIP Jesus knew that the place of money in our lives is a spiritual issue far more than it is an economic issue. *Harold Percy, Following Jesus*

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.