

# The Presbyterian Church of Saint David

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S. (by Memorial Library)
Minister: Rev. Kenn Stright
Organist: Tristan Cleveland-Thompson
Clerk of Session: Murray Alary

# WELCOME!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning!

Service for the Lord's Day September 02, 2012 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost \*All who are able are asked to stand.

#### **Our Vision:**

A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community Office & Mailing Address: 1537 Brunswick St., Halifax, NS B3J 2G1 Minister (Kenn Stright): stdavids.stright@bellaliant.com (please send announcements to this e-mail address by Wednesday) Office: stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca Telephone: (902) 423-1944 Organist (Tristan Cleveland-Thompson): stdavids.music@bellaliant.com

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God Calls Us to Worship<br/>Prelude\*The Entry of the Scriptures<br/>Call to Worship:\*Hymn: Be thou my Vision<br/>Prayer of Adoration and confession<br/>Assurance of Pardon:

## We Hear God's Word

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"Open our eyes" (sung unannounced) 445 First Reading: Genesis 37: 5-11 One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Reading: Psalm 133 How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore. Gloria Patri (sung) \*Hymn: What a friend 746 Conversation with the community From the letters: Acts 2: 16-21 Luke 14: 25-33 Gospel: One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ Hymn: Open my eyes 500 DREAMCATCHER Sermon:

#### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Anthem: \*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: *"Lord, listen to your children praying" (sung unannounced)* **449 Prayers of the People** The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")

# We Go Out to Serve God

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\*Hymn: Will your anchor hold Benediction \*Choral Amen: Postlude:

#### 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 Greeter this morning is Don Knox. Our scripture reader for this morning is Davida Mackay. Our refreshment host is Olive Clark.

The Program Committee of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces is hosting a lecture series, "Imagine" with presenter, John Bell of the Iona Community on September 28-30th, at the Church of St David, Halifax, NS. Cost is \$75. Registration deadline is extended but hurray! Registration forms available from Kenn or from the Spring newsletter. Volunteers will be needed for the event – please talk with Kenn.

Sunday School begins on October 7 – World Communion Sunday.

Deadline for newsletter: Sept, 21. Please submit any contributions to Carol Dobson at cjdobsonpei@yahoo.ca

9 a.m. Early Morning Service resumes on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mission and Outreach will be meeting on Sunday Sept 9th at 12:30.

Acadia Divinity College's Metro extension program has several courses this fall: Christian Theology 1, taught by Dr. Leslie McCurdy at Bayers Road Baptist Church, Halifax, on Monday evenings starting Sept. 10. Perspectives on the World Christian Movement, at StoneRidge Fellowship, Sackville, on Tuesday evenings, starting Sept. 4. Abraham2Acts, a one-day seminar surveying the entire Bible, by Karen Klassen, on Saturday, Sept. 8, 9am--5pm, at Faith Baptist Church, Sackville. The Practice of Leadership in Contemporary Ministry from Oct. 18-20, which includes The Leadership Summit video conference at Rock Church, Sackville, followed by a day in class with Dr. Harry Gardner at Immanuel Baptist Church, Truro. To register, call Acadia Divinity College at 1-866-875-8975. For more information, contact the director of ADC in Metro at leslie.mccurdy@acadiau.ca.

The 6th Wave Metro New Horizons Beginner Band program for Seniors will be starting on Monday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Long & McQuade music store on Main Street in Dartmouth. For more information please contact Paul Barrett at barp@eastlink.ca or call 902-986-1785.

Regal Road Baptist Church is holding an Alpha Course, Sunday night Sept 16 for 7 weeks. We begin at 6pm and close at 8. We are doing the 7 week Alpha Campus Course. The talks are only 30 minutes. We incorporate a meal, dessert and coffee, small groups. This is a non- threatening way to be introduced to the Christian faith.

Genesis 37: 5-11 5 Once Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more. 6 He said to them, "Listen to this dream that I dreamed. 7 There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright; then your sheaves gathered around it, and bowed down to my sheaf." 8 His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Are you indeed to have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more because of his dreams and his words. 9 He had another dream, and told it to his brothers, saying, "Look, I have had another dream: the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me." 10 But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him, and said to him, "What kind of dream is this that you have had? Shall we indeed come, I and your mother and your brothers, and bow to the ground before you?" 11 So his brothers were jealous of him, but his father kept the matter in mind.

Acts 2: 16-21 **16** ... this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: **17** "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men

shall dream dreams. **18** Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. **19** And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. **20** The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. **21** Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Luke 14: 25-33 25 Now large crowds were traveling with him; and he turned and said to them, 26 "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, 30 saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. 33 So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.



# PASTORAL CARE

Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact<br/>one of the following:Kenn Stright office: 423-2660 home: 477-2870Valerie Macdonaldhome: 455-1893



## MISSION CAPSULES: KENYA: Helping to combat

**HIV&AIDS** Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help Dr. Rick Allen, a community health physician, and the Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA) address the health and socioeconomic problems of HIV&AIDS. Rick is also teaching classes on community health, HIV&AIDS, sexually transmitted infections, and human sexuality at the Presbyterian University of East Africa. All university students in Kenya are required to take a course in HIV&AIDS, which reflects just how important the whole issue is for the nation. Let us pray for Rick as he continues to carry out God's work in Kenya.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** Pray for the planned giving ministry of The Rev. Herb Gale as he visits congregations across Canada

**STEWARDSHIP** Employ your riches with kindly devotion, and thus root out evil from your hearts. All that has value in your lives you must concentrate in the persons of the poor; and so anoint your heads with devoted giving. *St. Paulinus of Nola* 

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.