



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 November 18, 2012

25th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Our Vision

A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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God Calls Us to Worship



Prelude: Improvisation on Here I am Lord

*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship:

*Hymn: God is here! Let your people meet

799

Prayer of Adoration and confession *God of compassion and
Creation, you spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on earth came to
be. We now witness the degradation of creation, the
destruction caused by human hands, and we are sorry and
repent of our sin, sins that have brought sickness, suffering
and sorrow to others and the creation itself. Gracious God in the
quiet of the moment hear us as we open ourselves to you (silent prayer) Your
Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms
innumerable, including the fragile earth and us amongst its inhabitants. As
our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you.
As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the
warmth of your love. Through you all things are brought to
new.*

Pardon: *How many ways can we proclaim, there is no end, no end, no end to
the love of God, no storm can halt it, no battle can destroy it, not even death
itself can kill it. There is no ending within the love of God. Amen.*

We Hear God's Word

"Open our eyes" (sung unannounced)

445

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

One: *The Word of the Lord.*

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 16** *Protect me, O God, for in you I
take refuge. I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no
good apart from you." As for the holy ones in the land, they are the
noble, in whom is all my delight. Those who choose another god
multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will
not pour out or take their names upon my lips. The LORD is
my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The boundary lines
have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly
heritage. I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my*

heart instructs me. I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Gloria Patri *(sung)*

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*Hymn: In the bulb there is a flower

Conversation:

From the letters: **Hebrews 10: 11-25**

Gospel: **Mark 13: 1-8**

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

Hymn: Let us hope when hope seems hopeless 792

Sermon: **The end is still to come**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Song of Peace

*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

*Hymn: Christ is coming 795

Benediction: The Kairos time is upon us— a crisis that brings both danger and new possibilities. The time to act is now. **It's the end of the world as we know it – thanks be to God!** May the God who created, is creating and who will continue to create, bless us. **Amen.** May the Christ who entered deeply into human life continue to walk beside us. **Amen.** May the Spirit's presence and power hover over us as at the dawning of creation. **Amen**

*Choral Amen:

Postlude: Improvisation on Let there be Peace on Earth

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

The Ladies Guild of Calvin Presbyterian Church, Ashburn Ave. will be holding their **Christmas Coffee Party**, Craft and Bake Sale on Saturday, Nov.24 between 10:30 and 12. Small hot items will be served as well as squares and sweet breads. Admission \$7.00.

First Sackville Annual Turkey Supper, November 24, 2012

Serving from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. Two sittings 4:30 and 5:15.

Adults \$12.00, Child 6 – 12 \$5.00 child under 5 Free. Booking of tickets recommended. Call 865- 9529 for info and tickets.

Bake table also available. First Sackville, 60 Beaver Bank Road, Lower Sackville.

St. Andrew's Dartmouth: Annual service to mark St. Andrew's Day: Nov 25 at 7 :00 p.m. Preacher: Rev. H. Kenn Stright
A Ceilidh with haggis after the service.

FAIR TRADE AND BAKE SALE Including deli food, jewellery, crafts and scarves at St. Andrew's United, Sat. Nov. 25. All welcome 12 noon after morning worship.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY SERIES starts Dec. 2

Let's mix bible study with an exploration of the Young Adults in Mission Workcamp in Trinidad this past summer!

You will get to study four amazing topics while learning about this mission effort that has 13 denominations work together in the Caribbean and North America. Six more topics await you in Lent!

Study 1 Psalm 150 Glorify and Enjoy!

Study 2 David – the Singer and the Song

Study 3 What Instrument do you play?

Study 4 Can you sing? What gifts have you been given?

The Christmas Chowder Luncheon takes place on **Saturday, December 1 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Price will be \$10 for chowder tea and sweets, \$5.00 for tea and sweets only.**

Everyone is welcome to work, contribute or simply attend. The bake table welcomes baked goods, jams and jellies, preserves, candy, meat pies, soups etc. Please keep this in mind when you are planning your fall cooking. The gift table requires new personal and household items. Gift certificates, artwork, dishes, other items of a unique nature would be suitable for the silent auction. We know we can all pull together to achieve the success we have always enjoyed!

The Auxiliary used to decorate, but it is no longer in existence. One or two people can't do this, and it doesn't happen by magic. If you think someone else will step forward and everyone thinks that, then no one steps forward. Please advise if you can help out the evening of Nov. 28 or during late morning or afternoon on Nov 29. Thanks. Phyllis Morrison

	Sept	Oct
Giving goal		
	\$9,977.91	\$12,295.92
Amount given	\$9,709.39	\$9,557.33

Presbyterians Sharing: Received in October \$1,661

Year to date \$19,564, 75% of our \$26,000 target.

PWS&D \$125 in Oct., \$1,697 year to date.

THIS WEEK - (November 18-25)

Today	9:00 am	Early service with communion:
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service. Sunday School at 11:15.
Tuesday	9:30- 3 pm	Presbytery of Halifax and Lunenburg meeting here
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:
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional Service
	12:30 pm	Advent Bible Study in the Parlour

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory. "There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by his actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world. "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail. The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The LORD will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

Hebrews 10:11-25

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain

(that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Mark 13:1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.



PASTORAL CARE

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

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MISSION CAPSULES: ROMANIA: Making a lasting impression. Brian Johnston serves in Romania at the Theological Seminary of the Hungarian Reformed Church. He teaches English and leads two choirs of seminary students. Brian's ministry multiplies as his students graduate and become ministers, sharing the good news throughout Romania. When the choir travels to perform in villages in Transylvania, they are often hosted by former choir members who provide wonderful hospitality as well as inspiration to the current members. As we give to *Presbyterians Sharing*, let us pray for Brian and his current and former students as they work to share the good news in Romania through music and ministry.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP *Restorative Justice Week*

Pray for prison chaplains, that they will bring compassion and understanding to their ministry.

STEWARDSHIP An enduring environmental ethic will aim to preserve not only the health and freedom of our species, but access to the world in which the human spirit was born
Edward O. Wilson, biologist

We welcome younger children to our services! St. David's is a



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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.**

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 Lois Yorke.