

# The Presbyterian Church of Saint David



**WELCOME**

Morning Service

**Tuesday of Holy Week**

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

## God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude:

Welcome:

*The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind. **Silence is kept.***

*As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and forever. **Amen.***

\*Hymn “Will you come and follow me”

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Prayers of Confession: *God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. **Amen.***

*Lord have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.*

**Assurance of Pardon:** *May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.*

Response: “Nothing can Trouble”

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## We Hear God’s Word

Responsive Reading:

Psalm 71:1-14

*In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. **Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.** For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth. Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you*

who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you. *I have been like a portent to many, but you are my strong refuge.* My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all day long. *Do not cast me off in the time of old age; do not forsake me when my strength is spent.* For my enemies speak concerning me, and those who watch for my life consult together. *They say, "Pursue and seize that person whom God has forsaken, for there is no one to deliver."* O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me! *Let my accusers be put to shame and consumed; let those who seek to hurt me be covered with scorn and disgrace.* But I will hope continually, and will praise you yet more and more. *Open my eyes, O Lord that I may see the wonders of your law.* Open my eyes, O Lord that I may see the wonders of your law. *Lead me in the path of your commandments that I may see the wonders of your law.* *Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.* Open my eyes, O Lord that I may see the wonders of your law.

From the letters: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31  
Gospel: John 12: 20-36

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

Response: "Open our eyes, Lord" 445

Sermon: "Be careful what you wish for!"

### We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People:

*Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise. (Offer personal prayers of thanksgiving and intercession.) God of love, as you have given your life to us, so may we live according to your holy will revealed in Jesus Christ. Make us bold to share your life, and show your love, and bring others to the place where they too can see Jesus in his glory, in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*This we pray in Jesus' name and we continue with his words:*

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.*

### We Go Out to Serve God

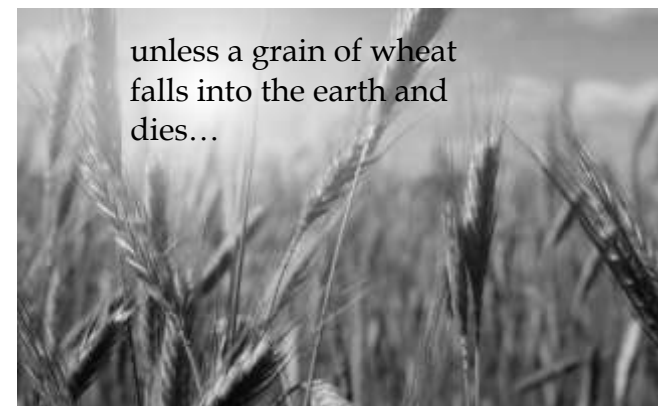
\*Hymn: "I have decided to follow Jesus" 570  
\*Commissioning:

### **Holy Week Ecumenical Services (7:30 a.m.) (Service and Breakfast)**

**Wednesday, March 27** Fort Massey United Church  
**Thursday, March 28** St. Andrew's United Church

**Friday, March 29** Ecumenical service at First Baptist 10:30 am

Thank you to those taking part in the service this morning.



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falls into the earth and  
dies...