



*The Presbyterian  
Church of  
Saint  
David*

1544 Grafton Street at  
Blowers, Halifax, N.S.  
(by Memorial Library)  
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Organist: Tristan  
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Clerk of Session:  
Murray Alary

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

**WELCOME!**

Service for the Lord's Day, April 7<sup>th</sup> 2013  
**88<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**Our Vision**

*A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community*

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**God Calls Us to Worship**

Prelude: Selections from Orgelbuchlein by JS Bach

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to worship:

\*Hymn: We love your house O God **428**

Prayer of Confession: *Loving God, as we bow our heads in your presence this day, we come with the realization that we have often been less than you call us to be. You call us to honour our mothers and fathers and to respect elders and authority. So often, Lord,*

**we choose instead to ignore them and refuse to learn from their wisdom and experience. Rather than celebrate the past and learn from it, we feel sure that there must be newer, better ways to do things. And sometimes our**

**attitudes put us in danger of losing an important part of who we are. Lord God, you have called us to share the Gospel and make disciples of all nations. In Your mercy, please forgive us for our failure to do as you ask. Through the power and work**

**of Your Spirit in and among us, help us to honour our past while still having vision for the future. Give us strength and courage to share our faith with others and in so doing, live out your calling on our lives. We pray in Jesus' name.**

Assurance of Pardon: *The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.*

**We Hear God's Word**

Introit: Nzamuranza (Glory to God) Traditional Mozambique

First Reading:

**Deuteronomy 6: 1-9**

*One: The Word of the Lord*    **All: Thanks be to God.**  
Responsive Reading:    **Psalm 47**    *Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth. He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm. God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.*    *Gloria Patri (sung)*

\*Hymn: I am the church    **475**

Conversation with the young people:    **Love your church**  
(Young people leave for Sunday School)

From the letters:    **Hebrews 13:5b-8; 12:1**

Gospel:    **Luke 4:14-21**

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

\*Hymn: God is here as your people meet    **799**

Anniversary message:    **The church in Conversation: God has chosen our heritage for us** (Psalm 47)

**(Special guests: Brenda Fong and Barrie Cahill)**

### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings    Praise God    **830**

Presentation of Anniversary gift

Dedication prayer: *With joyful hearts we thank you, O Lord. Remembering faithfulness, honouring generosity, we dedicate this organ to your worship and praise, and the glory of your name, O Lord our God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*We covenant anew today, to share the ministry of Jesus as part of our life at St. David's, that all who cross our paths may know of his unconditional love and healing grace. Filled by the Grace*

**and Love of Jesus Christ, we rededicate ourselves to His service! With God's help, may it be so!**

Dedication of Gift to the church: **The Corkum Piano**

Anthem: Praise His Holy Name by Keith Hampton

\*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"* (unannounced)    **449**

Prayers of the People    The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

### We Go Out to Serve God

\*Hymn: The Church's one foundation    **479**

\*Benediction: As we celebrate our past and live out our faith in the present, let us also look forward to the future that God has promised. Let us go from this place to proclaim the Good News, knowing that God is with us – yesterday, today and forever.    \*Choral Amen:

Postlude: Postlude in D by W. Matthias

**Worship is now ended let our service begin!**

**The final amount raised by the Lenten luncheons is now known. Luncheons plus bake table: \$9,500.75**

**Readings and prayers today are from the Heritage Sunday materials of the Presbyterian Church in Canada HALIFAX LUNENBURG PRESBYTERIAL OF THE AMS** will meet Tuesday, April 9, at Calvin Presbyterian Church at 12:00. Bring sandwich. Dessert and beverages will be provided. The Mission speaker is from the Mi'kmaq community presenting the culture of this First Nation. Bring a small gift for an exchange activity(note pads, trinket, small dish, etc. wrapped in a brown bag) for the Gifting Blanket.

**THIS WEEK - (April 7-14)**

**Today** 9:00 am Early service  
10:00 am Circle of Prayer  
11:00 am Traditional service -  
Sunday School at 11:15  
**Tuesday&Thursday** Exercise class  
**Thursday** 7:30 Choir practice  
**Friday** 10:00 am - 1:00 pm David's Place (Hall).  
**Sunday** 11:00 am Traditional service with the Rev.  
Judithe Adam Murphy

**Food Bank Sunday**  
Sunday School

The Rev. Dr. P.A.Mcdonald will be on call while Kenn is away –  
469-4480

**Dedication of Gift to the Church**  
**Corkum Piano**

A BRIEF HISTORY: (excerpts) Session approved  
Worship and Music recommendation to look for a new  
piano in Feb. 2004, after which the old baby grand was  
"retired honourably" to the parlour and a loaner upright was  
obtained from Lawley's for our use, without cost, until a  
decision is made regarding a permanent instrument. (At St.  
David's March 2004).

In May Session "approved the purchase of the Yamaha C7  
(it is 7 feet 6 inches) Grand Piano and that the necessary  
adjustments to the floor of the sanctuary be made. Later in  
the summer the floor between the front row of pews and the  
chancel steps will be levelled and strengthened to support  
the new piano and a surface which will improve the  
acoustical quality of the sanctuary will be installed. When  
all is ready, we will take delivery..."

At St. David's June 2004: Arrival of this wonderful  
instrument has been delayed until all the work on the  
sanctuary floor was completed and the building was  
completely cleaned after the summer's restoration work.  
Only a pristine environment can be good enough for the C7.  
To celebrate the arrival of the piano, we are planning a  
youth recital for the new year and the inaugural recital with  
the renowned pianist Peter Allen on February 7, 2005 (At St.  
David's Dec 2004). An instrument such as this has been  
made possible by the generosity of Peggy Corkum and her  
desire for excellence in worship and the ministry of music.  
A grateful congregation says "Thank you" on this  
Anniversary Sunday.

**Deuteronomy 6: 1-9** Now this is the commandment – the  
statutes and the ordinances – that the Lord your God  
charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are  
about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your  
children and your children's children may fear the Lord  
your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees  
and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that  
your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and  
observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you,  
and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with  
milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has  
promised you. Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the  
Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your  
heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. 6  
Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your  
heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them  
when you are at home and when you are away, when you  
lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your  
hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write  
them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.



**Hebrews 13:5b-8** For he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. 12:1 Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

**Luke 4: 14-21** Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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## PASTORAL CARE

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### REMEMBER WHEN: Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 1925

Resolution 1. That we, members and adherents of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, residing at present in the City of Halifax and vicinity, do hereby resolve to form ourselves into a congregation to be known as "The Presbyterian Church, Halifax."

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** Pray for all members, adherents and friends of the Presbyterian Church of Saint David who cannot be with us in worship due to age, sickness or distance.

**STEWARDSHIP** Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others.

*St. Augustine*

**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.



I Breastfeed.

**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 Jamie Campbell. Our scripture reader for this morning is Shelley MacDonald Parsons. Refreshment Hosts today are members of the Worship and Church Life Committee.