

The Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S. (by Memorial Library) **Minister:** Kenn Stright **Organist:** Tristan Cleveland-Thompson 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 14th 2013

## **Our Vision**

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#### God Calls Us to Worship

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Prelude: Psalm 98 Bedard

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to worship

"I joyed when to the house of God" \*Hymn:

Prayer of Confession Assurance of Pardon

#### We Hear God's Word

Introit: Psalm 42 in Afrikaans

First Reading: Acts 9:1-6

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

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 30** I will extol you, O God, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O God my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed **me.** O God, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. Sing praises to God, O

you God's faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

For God's anger is but for a moment; God's favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

By your favour, O God, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. To you, O God, I

cried, and to you I made supplication: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it

tell of your faithfulness? "Hear, O God, and be gracious to me!

O God, be my helper!" You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so

that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O God my God, I will give thanks to you forever. Gloria Patri (sung)

\*Hymn: "Will you come and follow me"

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Conversation with the young people: (Young people leave for Sunday School) From the letters: **Revelation 5:11-14** 

John 21:1-19 Gospel:

One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ \*Hymn: "Great Shepherd of your people, hear" 450

Sermon: "Connections and Reconnections"

## We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Laudate Dominum Mozart featuring Shannon Lawson

\*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: "Brother, sister let me serve you" 635

\*Benediction \*Choral Amen

Postlude: Recessional Matthias

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

#### THIS WEEK - (April 14-21)

Today 11:00 am Traditional service -

Sunday School at 11:15

7:30 pm Tupper Band concert

Tuesday & Thursday Exercise class

Thursday 7:30 Choir practice

**Friday** 10:00 am - 1:00 pm David's Place (Hall).

**Sunday** 9:00 am Early Service with Communion

10:00 am Prayer Circle

11:00 am Traditional service and Sunday

School

#### We warmly welcome the Rev. Judithe Adam Murphy back to the pulpit of St. David's this morning!

A gift to the organ fund in memory of Ross Nelson (Larry) MacLean has been received from Cecil Publicover.

The Tupper Band will present its Spring concert in the sanctuary this evening at 7:30. Admission is \$10.

Fundraising concert featuring St. Matthew's The Lunch Bunch (Choir), Acabella (Handbell Choir) and Terry Hurrell with tales of Albert will take place at St.

Matthew's United Church, Barrington at Spring Garden, on Sunday, April 28 at 3 pm. Tickets cost \$20 and are available from 429-1680 or at the door. Proceeds will help pay for the new Yamaha Grand Piano.

Annual Garage Sale First Baptist Church Sat., April 20, 9am - 12noon Admission \$1 - rain or shine! Books, clothes, jewellery, Household items and more.

#### **Total Offerings**

Giving Goal for March: \$9,493 Amount given in March: \$9,841

Thank you for your generosity. Five Sundays in this month. Your offerings allow Saint David's to move forward.

#### **Presbyterians Sharing**

Giving Goal for 2013: \$26,000 Given up to March 31st: \$7,363

Thank you for your generosity to Presbyterians Sharing. Please remember the money you give here goes to benefit many programs of our National Church

Acts 9:1-6 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

Revelation 5:11-14 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

John 21:1-19 After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped

into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

#### PASTORAL CARE



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

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World Health Day - Building Healthier Futures in Nicaragua

High rates of poverty and the rising price of seeds make it difficult for farmers in Nicaragua to grow enough food or balance their diets. Many children are chronically undernourished and experience delayed growth. With your support this is changing. Presbyterian World Service & Development is working in 17 communities to improve farming practices and introduce new fruits and vegetables into family diets. Community health volunteers are taught how to identify malnutrition and take action to get children's healthy development back on track.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** Give thanks for healthcare workers as they care for sick people with compassion and diligence.

**STEWARDSHIP** Be careful to make a good improvement of precious time. *David Brainerd* 



**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.

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 Anne Sommerville. Refreshment Host is Kathy Large.