

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, May 19th 2013 PENTECOST

Our Vision

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Prelude: *The Entry of the Scriptures Call to worship: *Hymn: Great God arise 41 Prayer of Confession: *Almighty God, you poured out your* Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus our Lord. Assurance of Pardon:

We Hear God's Word

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Introit: Come, Holy Spirit First Reading: *One: The Word of the Lord* **All: Thanks be to God.** Responsive Reading:

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Psalm 104.24-35b O God, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Yonder is the sea, great and wide, it is teeming with countless creatures, living things both small and great. There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. *These all look* to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

May the glory of God endure forever; may God rejoice in God's works –

God looks on the earth and it trembles. God touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to God as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to God, for I rejoice in God. Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless God, O my soul. Praise be to God! Gloria Patri (sung) *Hymn: Holy Spirit hear us 381 Conversation with the young people: The sail (Young people leave for activities) Acts 2: 1-21 From the letters: Gospel: John 20: 19-23 One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ *Hymn: Filled with the Spirit's power 282 Sermon: ALL THAT IS NEEDED

We Respond to God's Word



Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Anthem:

*Doxology: *"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"* <u>830</u> *Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (inside back cover of the Book of Praise) Offertory Prayer Announcements:

"Lord, listen to your children praying" (unannounced) <u>449</u> Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: O breath of life, come sweeping through *Benediction: *Choral Amen: Postlude:

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

Mission and Outreach is organizing a **clothing drive** on behalf of the Halifax Refugee Clinic's used clothing store "Section 96" on Grafton Street. We invite the congregation to bring in any lightly used **spring and summer clothing** that they would like to donate to this worthy cause. The drive ends on June 9th. Thanks.

THIS WEEK - (May 19- May 26)			
Today	9:00 am	Early service	
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer	
	11:00 am	Traditional service - children's time	
Tuesday&Thursday Exercise class			
Thursda	y 7:30	Choir practice	
Friday	10:00 at	m - 1:00 pm David's Place (Hall).	
Sunday	9:00 ar	9:00 am - Early service	
10:00 am - Circle of Prayer			
	11:00 an	n Traditional service	

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Nancy Purves who died Wednesday morning at home. A committal service will be held.

In keeping with the spirit of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) meetings in Halifax in October 2011, Calvin Presbyterian Church Mission and Outreach Team and St. David's Presbyterian Church Mission Committee has been endeavoring to get to know our indigenous neighbours. Professor Patti Doyle-Bedwell has agreed to do a workshop on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples adopted in 2007 by the UN General Assembly. Professor Doyle-Bedwell is Mi'kmaw and director/associate professor of the transition year program at Dalhousie University. The workshop will be held June 8th from 9:30 am-2:30pm at Calvin Presbyterian. There is no charge for this event and morning coffee break and a light lunch will be offered. For planning purposes, we do ask you to let us know if you are coming . Please leave us a message by phone at 455-7435 or e-mail calvinhalifax@bellaliant.com **ART SHOW** & SALE featuring many local artists: Saturday, June 8th 11 am – 6 pm; Sunday June 9th 10 am – 3 pm at SAINT BENEDICT PARISH, 45 Radcliffe Drive. Free admission. Refreshments

Ezekiel 37: 1-14 The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of

Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

Acts 2:1-21 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 20: When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

L.J. Suenens, 20th century

"I believe in the surprises of the Holy Spirit."



PASTORAL CARE Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact

one of the following: Kenn Stright office: 423-2660 home: 477-2870 Valerie Macdonald home: 455-1893



MISSION May 19

Limitless Possibilities: Fati's Story Fati can't walk, but this hasn't stopped her from achieving a remarkable level of success in her life. Her story begins at the Garu Community Based Rehabilitation Centre in Ghana, where she first learned to sew through a vocational training program supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development. She became so good that, although she was once considered an outcast in her community, she is now a sought-after seamstress and operates her own very successful business. Renowned for her talents. Fati even has six apprentices working in her store, all of whom are excited to work with and learn from someone so talented. Stories like these are made possible by the generous support of Presbyterians in Canada. Together we can build brighter futures for the most vulnerable. **PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** *Pentecost* Pray that the Holy Spirit will awaken within our congregations a yearning for peace and justice for all in this land.

STEWARDSHIP If a man is proud of his wealth, he should not be praised until it is known how he employs it. *Socrates, philosopher*

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 Don Knox. Our reader today is . Refreshment Host: the Lappin family