

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, July 07, 2013 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

## **Our Vision**

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#### **God Calls Us to Worship**

Prelude: \*The Entry of the Scriptures Call to worship \*Hymn: Unto the hills around Prayer of Confession: Assurance of Pardon

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#### We Hear God's Word

First reading: Exodus 6: 1-8

One: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Reading: Psalm 46 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the **earth.** *He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the* bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with *us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.* Gloria Patri (sung) \*Hymn: Simply trusting everyday 689 **Community Conversation:** Hebrews 11:32-40 From the letters:

# Gospel:Matthew 5: 37-45One: The Gospel of the Lord.All: Praise to you, O Christ\*Hymn:When Israel was in Egypt's land708Sermon - Long Walk to Freedom

#### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Musical selection:

\*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: We are Marching Siyahamba639\*Benediction:<br/>\*Choral Amen:<br/>Postlude:639

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

*Throughout the summer children are encouraged to attend worship... activity packs are available!* 

	THIS WEEK - (July 07- July 14)
Today	9:00 am Early service
	10:00 am Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am Traditional service -
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

Our deep sympathy goes out to Carolyn MacDonald and family on the death of her daughter Heather after a long illness.

**It's a boy!** Kyrie Manuel Stright Aquino made his entrance into this world last Sunday night to the delight of his parents Naomi and Romy and grandparents Kenn and Jeanne.

The Rev. Dr. Brian Fraser will be doing a public Jazzthink session on Wednesday, July 10, at Bearly's House of Blues and Ribs (1269 Barrington St).

#### Summer Sounds, Thursdays 12:15 - 1 pm St. Matthew's

July 11: Ann Bradley, soprano; Shawn Whynot, July 18: Scottish Thistle Country Dancers July 25: Baroque 'n Fiddle String Quartet **Exodus 6:1-6** Then the Lord said to Moses, "Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh: Indeed, by a mighty hand he will let them go; by a mighty hand he will drive them out of his land." God also spoke to Moses and said to him: "I am the Lord. I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as God Almighty, but by my name "The Lord' I did not make myself known to them. I also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they resided as aliens. I have also heard the groaning of the Israelites whom the Egyptians are holding as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. Say therefore to the Israelites, "I am the Lord, and I will free you from the burdens of the Egyptians and deliver you from slavery to them. I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. I will take you as my people, and I will be your God. You shall know that I am the Lord your God, who has freed you from the burdens of the Egyptians.

Hebrews 11:32-40 And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Matthew 5: 37-45 Let your word be "Yes, Yes' or "No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one. "You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. "You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.



#### 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 MOMENTS Responding to the gospel call

for justice Janette McIntosh, an Elder at West Point Grey Presbyterian Church, represents The PCC on the Sustainability Circle of KAIROS: Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives. In February 2013 Janette visited Mexico with KAIROS to learn how Canadian mining companies are impacting people. Since returning to Canada she is sharing the stories of what she learned and encouraging people to act. "I think many of us assume that the laws we have to protect workers' rights, health and safety, as well as the environment, apply everywhere Canadian corporations go. However, in reality, this is not the case." Supporting participation in KAIROS is one way gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help Presbyterians live out the gospel call to do justice.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** *South Africa* During the unsettled days of transition as the people seek God's way into the future.

**STEWARDSHIP** "It always seems impossible until it's done." — Nelson Mandela

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 Murray Alary. Our reader today is -----. Refreshment Host: Abongnwen Abianui.