



The Presbyterian Church of
Saint David

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

WELCOME!

**Service for the Lord's Day, June 16, 2013
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

Our Vision

A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude:

*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to worship *Give to the Lord the glory God deserves! Bring your offering and come to worship. Worship the Lord in all holy splendour. Let all the earth tremble before the Lord. **For our God is great, and worthy of our praise!***

*Hymn: How blest are they (vs. 1-4) 17

Prayer of Confession: *Our hearts are blessed as we gather before You today for you have given us freedom from all our sins and joy in exchange for heavy hearts. **You are the refuge we seek when we are troubled and the courage we need when we venture into our days. Bless us today with Your steadfast love as we declare our trust in You. (continue in prayer...)***

Assurance of Pardon: Friends in Christ, what joy there is for those whose sins are forgiven, whose mistakes have been wiped away by God's mercy and grace! **Let us rejoice in God's unfailing love, which has set us free yet again.**

Hymn: How blest are they (vs. 5 seated) 17

We Hear God's Word

From the letters: **Galatians 2:15-21**

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 32** *Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. **Happy are those to whom God imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to God," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them. You are a hiding-place for me; you preserve me from trouble;***

you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you. Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in God. Be glad in God and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Gloria Patri (sung)

*Hymn: Sing them over again **498**

Community Conversation:

Gospel: **Luke 7:36-8.3**

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

*Hymn: Forgive our sins as we forgive **751**

Sermon: **The joy of Forgiveness**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Musical selection:

*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: Where charity and love prevail **692**

*Benediction: *Choral Amen:

Postlude:

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

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

THIS WEEK - (June 16-23)

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

Galatians 2:15-21 We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

Luke 7:36-8:3 One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his

feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him – that she is a sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." "A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he cancelled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he cancelled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then turning towards the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.



PASTORAL CARE

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

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MISSION MOMENTS June 20 is World Refugee Day. No one is a refugee by choice. Refugees and internally displaced people are forced to flee their homes out of fear for their lives and liberty. Many live in crowded camps, waiting for peace and an opportunity to return home.

Presbyterian World Service & Development supports displaced people living in refugee camps and those looking to build new lives here in Canada. Currently PWS&D is helping the ACT Alliance bring urgently needed assistance such as food, shelter, clothing and water to people affected by the ongoing conflict in Syria.

PRAYER *Aboriginal Day Sunday*

Pray for the healing of all First Nations people who have experienced pain and suffering because of past and present injustices, and for the peace of Christ and a future with hope for their children.

STEWARDSHIP Wealth consists not in having great possessions, but in having few wants.
Epictetus, 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.



! 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 Phyllis Morrison. Our reader today is Carol Dobson. Refreshment Host: is Marie Wamboldt.