



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 23, 2013
Fifth 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 *Send out your light and your truth, O God. Let them guide us to Your holy mountain, to the place where you live. Then we will go to the altar of God, to God – the source of all our joy.*

*Hymn: O send thy light forth

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Prayer of Confession: *God, my soul is sad. My heart is hopeless. I feel empty within and without. But I know the cure.*

The crack in my heart can be mended by you. The thirst in my throat can be quenched by you. How refreshing you are! *I spend a few minutes in worship and you replace everything that is missing. You restore my heart. You replenish my spirit. So I'm telling my soul, "Cheer up!" I'm counseling my heart, "Have hope!" For you, my God, are all I need and more.*

Assurance of Pardon: *Why are you cast down, O my soul? Why are you disquieted within me? Put your hope in God!*

We Hear God's Word

From the letters: **Galatians 3: 23-29**

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

Responsive Reading Psalm 42 *As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise God, my help and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land*

of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. **By day the Lord commands God's steadfast love, and at night God's song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.** I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me?" Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?" **As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?"** Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? **Hope in God; for I shall again praise the one, who is my help and my God.** *Gloria Patri (sung)*

*Hymn: Give me oil in my lamp 655

Community Conversation:

Gospel: **Luke 8: 26-39**

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

*Hymn: Jesus, where'er thy people meet 431

Sermon: **Deliver us from... Depression**

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: Fight the good fight 690

*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!

Notice: Session meets to receive and act on the Review Committee report immediately following worship.

THIS WEEK - (June 23-30)		
Today	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service -
	12 noon	Session meets to receive and act on the Review Committee report
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 - with Brian Fraser

The Rev. Dr. Brian Fraser is in Halifax to teach a summer course at the Atlantic School of Theology on 'Thinking in Jazz about Missional Leadership.' Brian served as Dean of St. Andrew's Hall, the Presbyterian college at the University of British Columbia, and professor of church history at Vancouver School of Theology from 1985-2001. While there, he founded the Elders' Institute. In 2002, he launched Jazzthink, a company that uses the wit, workings, and wisdom of jazz to provoke SMARTer conversations among teams of all kinds. Brian will be doing a public Jazzthink session on Wednesday, July 10, at Bearly's House of Blues and Ribs (1269 Barrington St).

Galatians 3:23-29 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Luke 8:26-39 Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people

came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.



PASTORAL CARE

*Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact
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MISSION MOMENTS Volunteering in Malawi

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support short term volunteers with International Ministries. In January, Dr. Ian Persaud spent four weeks volunteering at Ekwendeni Hospital in Malawi. He assessed and treated patients, spent time in outpatient clinics, and taught medical students on a hospital rotation. He also offered teaching sessions to the physicians and clinical officers at the hospital. Ian shares, "I found it incredible to see what the healthcare workers were able to accomplish in spite of the many challenges they faced. It was incredible to play an active role in delivering healthcare in Ekwendeni, and to see firsthand the work being done in Malawi.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for staff and volunteers who are training for leadership at our summer camps. May this time of training prepare them for a vibrant ministry with children and youth. Remember Katherine Blaikie, Jessica Boone and the rest of the Camp Geddie staff

STEWARDSHIP The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship. We cannot say we love the land and then take steps to destroy it for use by future generations. *Pope John Paul II*

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 Phyllis Morrison. Our reader today is Marie Wamboldt. Refreshment Host: is Sally Fyfe.