

The Presbyterian Church of
Saint David



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WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day, September 29, 2013
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
PRESBYTERIANS SHARING SUNDAY

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: *The mystery of human existence is that we belong to God and have been made in the divine image. In God we live and move and have our being. Therefore, we know ourselves only when we know God. Our lives must reflect the Creator's love and purpose for all creation. We acknowledge God as Creator and Lord.*

*Hymn: The church is wherever God's people

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Prayer of Confession:

Assurance of Pardon:

We Hear God's Word

First reading: **Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15**

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

Responsive Reading: **Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16** *You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to God, "My refuge and my fortress;*

my God, in whom I trust." *For God will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; God will cover you with God's pinions, and under God's wings you will find refuge; God's faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in nighttime, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.* (Gloria Patri (sung))

*Hymn: Jesus loves me

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Community Conversation: - What's it spell?

Commissioning of the Sunday School staff

Gospel: **Luke 16: 19-31**
One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ
*Hymn: Let us hope **792**
Sermon: **My Life in Presbyterians Sharing**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
Anthem: O how Amiable by Caleb Simper
*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: *Loving God, through our gifts we proclaim how much you have done for us. Let our giving reflect the choice to live as Christ taught us, sharing love, faith and hope with people in our community and around the world.*
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: God bless your church with strength **491**
*Benediction: God sends each of us out into the world around us to serve and be served, remembering that together we are the body of Christ. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ that daily renews us, and the love of God that enables us to love all others, and the community of the Holy Spirit that binds us together in one body be with you: today, tomorrow and forever. Amen.
*Choral Amen:
Postlude:

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

Discover a World of Gifts, Handmade for You! Ten Thousand Villages Festival Sale offers fairly traded unique home decor and gifts at the Ten Thousand Villages Festival Sale at St Nicholas Church, 29 Westwood Blvd on Friday Oct. 4 from 5 PM to 9 PM and on Saturday October 5 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Call 826-7482.

Work Morning: On Saturday, October 5, we will be polishing, cleaning, and doing yard/garden work. We will start at 9:00 am; please join us for the morning. Bring a lunch if you wish to stay later than noon. Also bring your own tools, if you have them. So that we can plan ahead, please notify us if you will be attending by emailing Mac Fyfe at forest.fyfe@dal.ca or by adding your name to the sign-up sheet in the hall on Sunday. If you know what you want to work on, tell us that too. This might possibly be the last time that we do a fall clean-up on our present garden.

The Halifax Lunenburg Presbyterial of the Atlantic Mission Society will hold its Fall Meeting on Tuesday, October 29, at First Presbyterian Church, Lower Sackville, at 12:00. Bring lunch. Dessert and drink will be provided. Please note this is a date change. Everyone is invited.

THIS WEEK - (September 29 - October 06)

Today	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Presbyterians Sharing Sunday - Start of Sunday School
Tuesday	9:30 am	Exercise class
	2:00 pm	...Worship & Church Life Committee meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	Exercise class
	7:30 pm	Choir practice
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	World Communion Sunday Sunday School
	12:30 pm	Any who are considering joining the church (or who simply want to sit in) are invited to the parlour for an initial meeting.

October 13 is our Thanksgiving Service with the Rev. Judithe Adams-Murphy as our guest.

UPCOMING IN OUR CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

We will celebrate **World Wide Communion** on October 6. Rev. Stright and elders will be offering a series of internet studies and discussions for those wishing to join the church at the Christmas Communion on December 15. If you or anyone you know would like to become a member by affirmation of baptism (or by transfer from another congregation), please speak to the minister or your elder.

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of

hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Luke 16:19-31 [Jesus said:] "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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Today in our worship service we will reflect on the ministry we do in partnership with other congregations through ***Presbyterians Sharing***. This is our ministry. It's one way that we do mission and ministry in Canada and around the world. Together we are proclaiming the good news of the gospel in word and deed. Together we are helping grow innovative ministries with children and youth and equipping leaders - lay and ordained - to do effective and faithful ministry. Together we are supporting new congregation developments and helping congregations renew and grow new ministries. Together we are speaking out for the voiceless and supporting healing and reconciliation ministries. Together we are discovering, uncovering and doing God's mission - and in the process, seeing people's lives transformed.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP *Pray for the many missions and ministries in Canada and around the world that we support together through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing. We are making a difference!*

STEWARDSHIP As God sent Christ to us, so Christ sends us into the world. We are here to proclaim Christ in word and deed. *Living Faith, 9.1.1*

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 welcoming elder is Valerie MacDonald. Our scripture reader is Nancy Tindall. Our refreshment hosts are David and Nancy Tindall.