

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, (by Memorial Library) Minister: Kenn Stright Organist: Tristan Cleveland-Thompson Clerk of Session: Murray Alary



WELCOME!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning! Service for the Lord's Day March 02, 2014 Transfiguration – Annual Meeting *All who are able are asked to stand.

Our Vision

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God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship:

*Hymn: We have come at Christ's own bidding

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Confession: We, who stumble and fall so often, we who live in the brokenness of sin and suffering and sickness and sorrow worship you, longing for your light to shine upon us. Dazzle us with your holy love, draw us into your purifying presence, speak to us your transforming truth. Then, grant us grace to live every moment changed by such glory- daring to live with hope and courage and love reflecting the life of Jesus, through whom your glory shines in the most unexpected ways. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Scriptures invites us to listen to Jesus and follow the path he has chosen for us. In the dazzling light of his love follow and believe

We Hear God's Word

"Open our eyes" (sung unannounced) 445 First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18 One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Psalm: Psalm 99 God is ruler; let the peoples tremble! God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! God is great in Zion; God is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is God! Mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Extol the Sovereign our God; worship at God's footstool. Holy is God! Moses and Aaron were among God's priests, Samuel also was among those who called on God's name. They cried to God, and God answered them. God spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept God's decrees, and the statutes that God gave them. O Sovereign our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the Sovereign our God, and worship at God's holy mountain; for the Sovereign our God is holy. Gloria Patri (sung) *Hymn: Open my eyes that I may see 500 Conversation with the children: Peek a Boo 2 Peter 1:16-21 From the letters: Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9 One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ Immortal, invisible, God only wise *Hymn: 290

Sermon:	TIME to TRANSFIGURE!				
We Respond to God's Word					
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings					
Anthem:					
*Doxology:	"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"	<u>830</u>			
Confession of Faith (Apostles' Creed)					
Offertory Prayer					
Announcements:					
Prayers of the People:					
The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")					
We Go Out to Serve God					

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*Hymn: Swiftly pass the clouds of glory

* Commissioning:

* Benediction

*Choral Amen:

Postlude:

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

Next week will see the **time change** arrive – please make certain you arrive at church on the new time!

Matthew 17:1-9 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Exodus 24:12-18 The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

2 Peter 1:16-21 For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit

spoke from God.

THIS WEEK - (February 23-March 02)

Today9:00 amEarly service10:00 amCircle of Prayer11:00 amTraditional service and Sunday School

Noon: Men's Soup contest Annual Congregational meeting to follow

Tuesday&Thursday		9:30 am Exercise class
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Worship and Church
Thursday	7:30pm	Choir Practice
Friday 10-12 noon		David's Place - Friday Drop-In
Sunday	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
1	l 1:00 am	Traditional service Food Bank Sunday

12:15 pm Lenten Study in the minister's study

Too much of everything at Christmas? Give it all up for Lent! David's Place can use your excess bars of soap, shampoo, shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes, deodorants for men and women, combs and other personal items (preferably travel size all unused)! Drop off at the church anytime!

Food Bank Sunday: A reminder that next Sunday, March 9 is our usual Food Bank Sunday in support of David's Place.

The Drop-in would like to fill up the freezer with a supply of meals, so that we are able to plan a bit ahead. The type of dish will change from month to month. This month we are asking anyone who feels so inclined to provide a pot of soup. These could be dropped off ready to freeze on Friday, next Sunday, or anytime through the month.

We hope that by inviting the congregation to help us provide the meals that you will feel more a part of this ministry. For further information, please contact Johannah Roberts at 457-2836 or Valerie Macdonald at 455-1893.

Thank You We wish to thank the loving people of Saint David's for all the kindness shown to us, especially during these past few weeks of illness. The cards from the congregation and Sunday School, the visits, calls, and help with transportation have meant so much to us. Truly we see more every day what a caring church we have! Sincerely, John and Marie Wamboldt

You are invited to participate in a six-week study program after church starting March 09, exploring basic Christian beliefs entitled, **"Beginnings: An Introduction to Christian Faith."** The conversation is generated around a series of videos entitled: "So, Is This All There Is?", "Who Is Jesus, and Why Should I Care?", "What Happens When I Die?", "Can I Trust God?", "If I Don't Feel Lost, Why Do I Need to Be Found?", "How Can I Make a Life and not Just a Living?"

The Halifax Chapter of the Women's Interchurch Council of Canada will hold their **2014 World Day of Prayer Service** at 2:00pm on Friday, March 7, 2014 (storm date will be March 14) at the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, 2096 Windsor Street, Halifax. St. John's United is hosting its monthly Taize Prayer, this evening, Sun., March 2 – 7p.m., in the Judith Grant Room at the Maritime Conservatory



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: A Commitment to Change in

Afghanistan Atiq Ullah used to plant his crops without considering how much seed to use or when they should be cultivated. This was not the result of carelessness, but a lack of knowledge about proper agriculture techniques. In December 2012, Atiq Ullah and 1,200 farmers in Afghanistan received training through a PWS&D-supported project. "After attending this training, I realized that we have been wasting much of our resources," said Atiq. He has since reported a 90 per cent increase in his crop yield. "As I have observed the change in my crops, I want to teach the same skills to other farmers in my village."

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for those who are homeless, that they will find warmth and comfort during cold winter months.

STEWARDSHIP I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity an obligation; every possession a John D. Rockefeller, Jr. duty.

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 scripture reader for this morning is Shannon Scales. Please stay for soup luncheon!