



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 Passion/Palm Sunday - April 13, 2014

\*All who are able are asked to stand.

## **Our Vision**

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## God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude: Hosanna David by Ives \*The Entry of the Scriptures Call to Worship: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! Lenten Liturgy: Palm Sunday Parade: Sunday School and choir



Hosanna, loud Hosanna 218 Hvmn Confession: We confess that we are not so different from those who welcomed Christ into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday yet later shouted 'Crucify him!' or remained silent in the face of injustice. We have betrayed you too, Lord Jesus by our sins both secret and known. Yet you died for people like us, and you rose on the third day that we might be redeemed. For the sake of Jesus Christ do not hold our sins against us.

Assurance of Pardon: In Christ, God hears; God answers; God sets us free. In Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

## We Hear God's Word

"Open our eyes" (sung unannounced) 445 First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Psalm: **Psalm 118** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. *This is the Lord's doing;* it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Gloria Patri (sung)

\*Hymn: Children of Jerusalem Conversation with the children: Join the Parade



Gospel:

Matthew 21:1-11

One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ Praise him, praise him \*Hymn: Sermon: WHO IS THIS?

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## We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings	
Anthem: Ingretiente Domino by Malcom *Doxology: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow''	<u>830</u>
Confession of Faith (Apostles' Creed)	
Offertory Prayer	
Announcements:	
"Lord, listen to your children praying" (sung unannounced)	<u>449</u>
Prayers of the People:	
The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")	

### We Go Out to Serve God

\*Hymn: Ride on, ride on

\* Commissioning:

\*Choral Amen:

Postlude: St Andrews Suite by Enns

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

#### THIS WEEK - (April 13-20) 9:00 am Early service Today 10:00 am Circle of Prayer 11:00 am Palm Sunday Parade and Sunday School 12:15 pm Lenten Study in the minister's study See list of service Monday-Friday Tuesday&Thursday 9:30 am Exercise class Fish Chowder luncheon Wednesday Noon Thursday 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday service Thursday after service Choir Practice Friday 10-12 noon David's Place - Friday Drop-In Good Friday service at 10:30 Sunrise service Point Pleasant Park - 6:10 Easter Sunday Early service 9:00 am Easter breakfast 9:30 am Circle of Prayer 10:00 am Combined Communion with NS Korean 11:00 am Congregation 12:15 pm Easter luncheon

## The Helen M. Watson Fund of the Presbyterian Church of

**Saint David:** Applications for financial assistance from the Helen M. Watson Fund will be received prior to April 30, 2014. The Helen M. Watson Fund of The Presbyterian Church of Saint David produces income to be used "exclusively for local missionary work in Nova Scotia". If you have any questions, please contact Mac Fyfe (902) 425-3844, Mac Mackay- (902) 422-5481 or Johannah Roberts (902) 457-2836. Application Form and Guidelines Document, may be obtained from the Church Office (902) 423-1944, by E-Mail stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca or from the Web site, after April 1, 2014.

**FISH CHOWDER LUNCHEONS** If you can participate any Tuesdays morning with preparation of ingredients and any Wednesday please contact Colin MacPherson (434-1674) or Don Knox (423-2067). Also gingerbread makers will be called by Dorothy Jackson. **And don't forget to come on Wednesday!** 

The **Halifax Lunenburg Presbyterial** will meet Tuesday, April 22 at St. Andrew's, Dartmouth at 11:30. Bring a bag lunch. Dessert and beverage provided. The program will be a craft time. Please bring glue guns and your favorite scripture. The theme will be Preparing with Prayer. A time of Joy.

The Easter Breakfast this year will be a potluck event. Please join us for this pre-service celebration and bring along your favourite muffins, fruit, bread, or cereal.

Following the **Easter service** we will be joining the Korean congregation for lunch. Saint David's has been asked to provide sweets and sandwiches. If you would like to help with this so that we don't have to purchase as much, please contact Valerie Macdonald at 455-1893.

**Garage Sale:** First Baptist Church Halifax (1300 Oxford Street) Sat., April 26, 9am - 12noon; Admission \$1

Upcoming: On April 27<sup>th</sup> we will have the **Rev. Bonita Mason** join us for morning services and a special meeting of our Coffee and Conversation group at Refreshment time. Bonnie is the



supervising chaplain for the Atlantic region for the Canadian Armed Forces and a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada – and a Nova Scotia native. Bonnie will speak to the C&C group about military chaplaincy – all are welcome and encourages to stay.

Ecumenical Holy Week Services 14-17 April 2014; 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.

## Continental Breakfast after each Service

**Monday, April 14** Cathedral Church of All Saints 1330 Martello Street Host: Very Reverend Paul W. Smith, Dean

**Tuesday, April 15** First Baptist Church Halifax 1300 Oxford St Host: Rev. John E. Boyd

Wednesday, April 16 St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica Grafton Street & Spring Garden Host: Very Reverend John Williams

**Thursday, April 17** St. Matthew's United Church 1479 Barrington Street Host: Rev. Betsy Hogan

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE Church Hall, 7 pm with Calvin Presbyterian GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 10:30 here at St. David's EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE Point Pleasant Park (lower entrance) 6:10 am

## **Total Offerings**

Giving Goal for March: \$10,625 Amount given in March: \$9,666 Thank you for your generosity. Your offerings allow Saint David's to move forward.

**Presbyterians Sharing** Giving Goal for 2014: \$22,000 Given up to March 31st: \$7,668 35.0%

Thank you for your generosity to Presbyterians Sharing. Please read "Mission Moments" in the bulletin to see what your gifts are doing.

**Isaiah 50: 4-9a** The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens-

wakens my ear

to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Matthew 21: 1-11 Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'



## 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: HIV and AIDS education in Kenya

The PCC and the Presbyterian Church of East Africa are working together to address the issue of HIV and AIDS in Kenya. *Presbyterians Sharing* supports Dr. Rick Allen, who has been working with the PCEA for the past 19 years on public health issues. Each year, Rick teaches a class on HIV to about 300 students at the Presbyterian University of East Africa, fulfilling the government requirement that all university students take a course on HIV. He also teaches classes on nutrition and health, and helps the PCEA run week-long workshops for pastors on HIV and AIDS. So far, almost 450 pastors have completed the course, which is designed to give ministers the skills they need when dealing with HIV in their parishes and communities. Rick's work has helped change people's approach to HIV and AIDS, transforming stigma and discrimination into love and support.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** Pray for all who are involved in lastminute planning for the National Women's Gathering, Burst Forth. May they be energized, inspired and focused.

**STEWARDSHIP** Children must early learn the beauty of generosity. They are taught to give what they prize most, that they may taste the happiness of giving. *Charles Alexander Eastman* 

We welcome younger children to orthur 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 Jamie Campbell. Our scripture reader for this morning is Johannah Roberts. Refreshment Host is Dorothy Jackson.