WELCOME TO...

The Presbyterian Church of Saint David

June 15, 2014



TRINITY

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy (vs. 1)

Gathering: The blessing of Father, Spirit, Son - Holy Trinity, Three in One, be in our meeting and our greeting, in the worship we share and the words of our prayer. The blessing of Father, Spirit, Son -Holy Trinity, Three in One, be in our living and our breathing, that through our hearts and our words your truth may be heard.

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy (vs. 4)

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Holy and triune God, You alone live in perfect relationship, One God in three persons, Mutual and loving, Ever seeking reconciliation and unity. You have called us to live in your completion, yet We confess that our relationships are imperfect and We are incomplete without you. We are selfish and greedy. We are anxious and resenting. We feel the shame of our foolish behavior and brokenness. We have allowed sin to drive us apart from one another And from you.

Forgive us and restore us, Draw us close and bind us together in your mercy. May we long for wholeness and peace, May we strive toward gratitude and grace in the saving name of your son, Jesus Christ, By the working power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn: O Love that casts out fear

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A thought to guide us: Martin Luther put it well when he declared: "To try to deny the Trinity endangers your salvation, to try to comprehend the Trinity endangers your sanity."

Scripture:TRINITY: Where to find it?Matthew 3: 16-17Matthew 28: 19John 15:262 Corinthians 13:141 John 5: 6-8But you really have to wait until Nicaea- Constantinople

Prayer: Holy God, you have revealed yourself to us in a trinity of ways: as our powerful Creator, our dying Saviour, and our comforting Spirit.

But we also know you as a loving parent, a risen Lord, and a dynamic breath of fresh air.

We're never really sure of how you are able to be all these things to us, but you are. And we praise you.

Holy God, lead us down your Holy Way that we may grow in becoming who you have created and redeemed us to be.

As we hear what may seem to our limited minds to be an impossible call, teach us the grace to place our limitations within the wonder of your unlimited hands. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen. ~ posted on the Long Green Valley Church of the Brethren

Invitation:

The celebration of communion is always a festival of friendship, a pulling together of our faith and hope, our moments of struggle and our glimpses of glory. It is here, where bread is broken and wine is shared that we see you most clearly, expressed in ways beyond our understanding. It is here, where bread is broken and wine is shared, that we can most fully be ourselves and see others for who they truly are: sons and daughters of the living god. Here the common things of life - bread and wine, memories and dreams - become holy, touched by God. Here that which is earthly becomes divine, and that which is human becomes more than it has ever dreamed.

As we gather at this table, let us share the peace of Christ by greeting our neighbours with a handshake and offering words of peace, "The peace of Christ."

Hymn: O mystery profound

Prayer of Thanksgiving:
The Lord is here. God's spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give
thanks and praise. (Continue in thanksgiving)
O God, giver of all that is good,
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these
gifts of bread and wine. May we know you in the fullness of
your presence – the Creator, Redeemer and Spirit. By your
Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other.
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Prayer after Communion *Thanks be to you, Triune God, for your presence and your promise, and the power of your Spirit.* May the blessings of this table strengthen our faith, increase our generosity and unify our hearts, for we pray in the name of Jesus, the Risen One. Amen.

Hymn: Now to Christ

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Go now into the world. Search for the God who is not far from each one of us. Offer to all who ask an account of the hope that is in you. Keep your conscience clear as you live the commandments in love. And may God who created you greet your prayers with constant love; may Christ Jesus give you life through his own life; and may the Spirit of truth abide with you and within you, always. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord, in the name of Christ. Amen.