



*The Presbyterian
Church of*

Saint David

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers,
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Organist: Tristan Cleveland-
Thompson
Clerk of Session: Murray Alary

We are so glad you have chosen
to worship with us this morning!

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day, April 19th 2015
MISSION AWARENESS SUNDAY
(as led by the Mission and Outreach Committee)

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: *We gather together to worship and praise our 'Good Shepherd', who cares so well for us. The Lord is our Shepherd, and we have all we are ever likely to need. We gather together to worship and praise our 'Good Shepherd', who safely leads us, and gives us strength for the journey. The Lord is our Shepherd, who allows us to rest and renew our energies. We gather together to worship and praise our 'Good Shepherd', who offers us a feast when we are under pressure. The Lord is our Shepherd, whose unfailing love is always waiting for us.*

*Hymn: The Lord's my Shepherd

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Prayer of Confession: *Most Gracious God, may Your name be praised and magnified, not just in this place, but throughout the land. We come humbly before you this morning to worship You. May we do this with passion and commitment. Walk with us Lord, in our daily lives. Make us aware of the needs of others. Show us how we can best serve these needs. We confess that often we are forgetful, or may feel that we are not capable. Remind us that we are not alone for you are with us. Forgive us, Father, for all the times we falter. Thank You for getting us back on track. Give us strength to share as you share; Give us love to love as You Love; and Give us courage to "go and tell".*

Assurance of Pardon *Lord, we are assured of your pardon for our transgressions when we read: "The Lord is near to all who call, to all who call in truth. God will fulfill the desire of those who fear him; He also will hear their cry and save them.*

We Hear God's Word

"Open our eyes Lord"

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First Reading:

1 John 3:16-24

Nicole

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23 ✕ *The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. ✕ He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; ✕ he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. ✕ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and*

your staff- they comfort me. ✠ *You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.*

✠ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.** Gloria Patri (*sung*)

*Hymn: Saviour like a Shepherd lead us **699**

Conversation with the young people: Kathy

(Young people leave for Sunday School)

Gospel: **John 10: 11-18**

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

*Hymn: All the way **699**

Sermon: God leads us...

Minute for Mission: The Helen Watson Story
Johannah



We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem:

*Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" **830**

Offertory Prayer

Announcements:

"Lord, listen to your children praying" (*unannounced*) **449**

Prayers of the People Shelley

The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: The King of Love My Shepherd is **691**

*Benediction and *Choral Amen:

Postlude:

Worship is now ended let our service begin!

Flowers in the sanctuary have been placed by the choir in memory of Ross Nelson (Larry) MacLean. Saint David's also received a donation from Cecil Publicover for the organ restoration fund in memory of Larry MacLean.

National Volunteer Week 2015 took place from **April 12 to April 18**. The primary purpose of this specially designated week is to thank and honour people who donate their time to help others by supporting the causes in which they believe. Volunteer Week also serves to reinforce the human values that volunteering represents and increase awareness of the vital importance of volunteerism to our communities. St. David's honours the dedicated volunteers of **David's Place** for their amazing work in this past year of changes.

Calvin **Ladies Guild Spring Luncheon:** will be held on Sat. Apr. 25th at 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Tickets \$8.00.

THIS WEEK - (April 19 – April 26)

Today	11:00 am	Traditional service Sunday School at 11:15
Thursday	7:30	Choir practice
Friday		David's Place
Sunday	9:00 am -	Early service
	10:00 am -	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	90th Anniversary service with guest speaker the Rev. Dr. Laurence DeWolfe. As part of the celebrations we will have a light luncheon following the service. The congregation is invited to bring sandwiches, cheese or fruit/veggies. There will be cake and ice cream for dessert.

With our 90th Anniversary coming up on April 26, we should get the church sanctuary looking polished. We haven't had a polishing party in quite a while. Please indicate if you would be willing to help with a little elbow grease to polish the lectern, the candle holders, the cross, etc. It could be some afternoon, evening or Saturday morning the 25th. Many hands make light work and shorten the time needed. If you are willing and able, please speak to Phyllis Morrison after service, or e-mail her at pmorrison@eastlink.ca or phone 429-4353 and indicate what time is best for you.

Kings Church, New Minas Turns 25 – On April 22, 1990 the congregation was officially constituted by the Presbytery of Halifax & Lunenburg at a special service held at the Kentville Christian Reformed Church. On Sunday, April 26, we will celebrate our Silver Anniversary with a special service at 10am.

Vox: a choir for social change, and the Don't Be Afraid campaign will be hosting 'Ukuthula' on May 10th at St. Matthew's United Church in Halifax, NS. They will present two performances at 2:30pm and 7:00pm. Admission is by donation in support of The Youth Project and The Don't Be Afraid campaign.

1 John 3:16-24 We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us--and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

John 10:11-18 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away--and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."



PASTORAL CARE

Those seeking pastoral care are requested to contact one of the following:

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MISSION AWARENESS Sunday is set aside by the General Assembly to remind us that the primary activity of the church is to reach out to the world around us with the love of God made known in Jesus Christ

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP We pray for our mission partners around the world who join with us in offering the Good News of Jesus Christ.

STEWARDSHIP Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.
1 Peter 4:10



We welcome younger children to our services! St. David's is a breastfeeding friendly facility.



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. Participants in the service are from the Mission and Outreach Committee. Refreshment Hosts are David and Nancy Tindall.