

The
Presbyterian
Church of



Saint David

Welcoming St. Andrew's, First Baptist, St. John's
Service for the Lord's Day July 05, 2015,

Communion Sunday

**All who are able are asked to stand.*

Our Vision:

A Worshipping-Sharing-Welcoming Community

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God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude:

*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship: *This is the day that the Lord has made. We will be glad and rejoice in it. Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness. The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to those who seek him.*

*Hymn: The Son of God proclaim **558**

Opening Prayer: *Be by our side on the journey of faith on life's pathways and at every encounter, engender our compassion, so that we may welcome others and listen to their stories. Kindle anew the desire to proclaim your Word. May it illumine us and may our hearts burn to bear witness to it. May your Holy Spirit teach us the art of explaining scripture and open our eyes to recognize you. Grant us the courage to become vulnerable so that our sisters and brothers may know you through us and that we may know you through them. Amen.*

We Hear God's Word

First Reading: *Ezekiel 2:1-5*

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

Responsive Reading: *Psalms 123 To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.*

Gloria Patri (sung)

*Hymn: The Church is wherever God's People **484**

From the Letters: **2 Corinthians 12:2-10** *Jenny Csinos*

Gospel: **Mark 6: 1-13**

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

*Hymn: Jesus calls us here to meet him **528**

Sermon: **Mystical Moments**

The Celebration of the Sacrament of Communion

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Special Music:

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

Offertory Prayer - Announcements

Invitation

Communion Hymn: One bread, one body **540**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (Please follow at 564) ending with Lord's Prayer as printed.

Celebration of the Sacrament

Prayer following Communion

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: Sent forth by your blessing **775**

*Benediction: Choral Amen: Postlude:
Worship is now ended let our service begin!

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 this morning is . Our Valerie Macdonald reader for this morning is Phyllis Morrison. Our refreshment hosts are Jane Brown and Phyllis Morrison. Celebrating Communion with Kenn is Jenny Csinos, First Baptist.

Regular activities THIS WEEK - (July 05- 12)

Today	Refreshments following service.
Friday	David's Place
Sunday	9 am Early Service with Communion will resume on September 13 10 am Prayer Group will resume on September 13
July 12th	10:30 am services begin at St. John's United meeting at the Conservatory of Music, 6199 Chebucto Road (corner of Chebucto and St Matthias St)

Ezekiel 2:1-5 He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person--whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows-- was caught up into

Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Mark 6:1-13 He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

THE BLANKET EXERCISE: Upper Hall, St. Andrew's United Church Tuesday, July 7th at 1 pm. Come Join the GO Project Youth in exploring our history. All are welcome to come and participate and learn with us!

Our prayers go with Martha Martin (St. John's) as she officiates at the memorial service for her beloved aunt.

First Baptist Prayer List HOME: Rev. Dr. Carey Harvey, Evelyn Denton, Marjorie Fountain, Doris Hilchey, Sally Illsley, Dorothy Shears, Helen Bethune, Roy Yetman, Doreen Thorne, Terry Milne, Marion Crowell, Yvonne Ward, Gordon Taylor, Alice Auld, Kendra Fader, Doris Grant. IN HOSPITAL: Lynne Alary(NSRH), Don Myers (VG) CONGRATULATIONS to Anthony and Amanda (Seymour) Zadeh who were married at FBC Halifax June 27. Also to Adam and Emilie (Bishop) Johnston who were married there yesterday!

SINCERE SYMPATHY is extended to the family and many friends of Rev. Terry Tingley (June 27). Rev. Tingley served at FBC as Director of Christian Education (1970 - 1978) and was a long-time supporter of CABF

Summer Faith Formation Challenge for July 5-11:

1. Take Time for Reflection - Allow space to clear your head and be with your thoughts. Block out some time with no phone, computer or other distractions. FBCH sanctuary will be open Tues-Thurs from 12-1 for quiet reflection.
2. Find Faith in Film - Watch a movie this week looking for themes of faith. How does your faith connect? Join in for movie night at FBCH in the parlour Wed, July 8th beginning at 6:30pm. We'll watch, "Bridge to Terabithia" (all ages) with popcorn and drinks! Contact Lic. Jenny Csinos for details.
3. Make a Rock Pile - The Old Testament people used to make a pile of rocks as reminders of the blessings God gave them. Make your own "rock pile", or other symbol, and remember how God has touched your life.

Halifax Summer Choral Conducting Symposium, IN CONCERT: Thurs. July 16th, 7:30 pm, Bethany United Church, \$10 admission at door. Program: Haydn's *Te Deum No. 2* in C, Fauré's Requiem, with HSCCS Conductors and Chorus, Susan Boddie, soprano, Gregory Servant, baritone, Shawn Whynot, organ, Lynette Wahlstrom, piano. More info at www.halifaxsummerchoral.com.

Summer Art Show and Sale: The Contemporary Art Society is

holding a Summer Art Show & Sale at Park Lane Mall, Wednesday, July 15th - Sunday, July 19th during mall hours. Drop by and enjoy many beautiful paintings in a variety of styles, media and sizes. Phone 902-457-0920 for details.

Summer Drive-in Services, 7pm, Bedford Baptist Church. 50th anniversary of services in the church parking lot. "Come as you are, stay in your car."

Please see the **calendar of events** on our website, fbchalfax.ca, for a complete list of activities. **Summer office hours** are Mon. - Thurs., 7:30 am to 4:00 pm; Fri., 7:30am - 1:00 pm.

Announcements to FBC Halifax must be received by 11am on Wednesdays.

PASTORAL CARE

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

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Valerie Macdonald home:455-1893



Kenn will be on holiday from July 6-12. Office hours resume from July 13- 20...on holiday from 21-25 and taking continuing education until the end of the month.

MISSION CAPSULES: Seeing faith in action

Mission trips engage participants in meaningful mission as they meet our international and Canadian partners and learn about work that is supported by *Presbyterians Sharing* and Presbyterian World Service and Development.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray that young people will stay safe this summer: in their homes and communities, at camps, on city streets, in playgrounds, on beaches and in the water. Pray for the GO team.

STEWARDSHIP Gratitude makes every day sacred. Expressing our gratitude is a gift to the giver. Gratitude for small things makes every day a gift. *Sue Bender, author*

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.**