

The Presbyterian Church of Saint David

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WELCOME!

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

Service for the Lord's Day June 07, 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

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Opening Prayer: Be at 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: Acts 2: 42-46

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Reading: Psalm 116:5- end Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me. Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. I walk before the Lord in the land of the living. I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted"; I said in my consternation, "Everyone is a liar." What shall I return to the Lord for all his **bounty to me?** I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his **people.** Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. **O** Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord! Gloria Patri (sung)

*Hymn: The Church is wherever God's People
The community gathers to welcome new members
We honour our graduates.

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Gospel: Mark 14: 22-26 Luke 24:28-35

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

*Hymn: Jesus calls us here to meet him 528

Sermon: Creating Conditions for Communion

The Celebration of the Sacrament of Communion

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem:

O TASTE AND SEE

*Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" <u>830</u>

Offertory Prayer Announcements

Invitation

Communion Hymn: All who hunger

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Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (Please follow at 564) ending with

Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors") Celebration of the Sacrament Prayer following Communion

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: For the bread which you have broken <u>549</u>

*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 Don Knox. Our reader for this morning is Jeanne Stright. Our refreshment host is Vanora Haldane.

We welcome Gary and Barbara Smith into our membership by transfer of certificate this morning.

We welcome our graduates to the service this morning!

Margaret Campbell--Acadia Stephen Fyfe-- Dalhousie Andrew Saoud--Ambrae Academy Amanda Saoud--Dalhousie Regular activities THIS WEEK - (June 07- 14)

Today Sunday School: 11:15 am.

Refreshments following service.

Next week is food bank Sunday - please give generously!

Tuesday 2 pm Outreach and Education

Friday David's Place

Saturday Memorial service for Margo McCurdy

11 am at Snow's funeral home

Sunday 9 am Early Service with Communion

10 am Prayer Group

11 am Traditional service followed by a

congregational BBQ

Upcoming:

June 21st Service honouring Aboriginal Sunday (first combined service for the summer). The time is 10:30 so

PLEASE don't forget!

The Halifax Lunenburg Presbyterial of the Atlantic Mission Society will hold its 131st **Annual Meeting**, Saturday, June 13. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Dartmouth. Registration begins at 9:30. Cost for lunch and materials is \$10.00. The theme for the day is FACE TO FACE, SIDE BY SIDE. The key note speaker is from the Phoenix Program for Youth. Join us for Communion, Mission Updates and Fellowship. New Officers will be installed.

The second Sunday of every month is **Food Bank Sunday**. We either distribute the items brought in to our guests at David's Place or use them to make the meals each week. While we appreciate and use all donations, we find a need right now for toiletries, particularly unopened travel size, tuna, and bags of apples and oranges. Thank you for remembering our guests.

Saint David's has a very important ministry in our fellowship time following the service. It is easy to do as there are always folks around to help. Coffee, sugar and juice are provided, but hosts are requested to bring a litre of 2% milk. If you desire, you can bring along some cookies or fruit. Packages of cookies are also available for use if you just bring the milk.

The **Worship and Church Life** Committee is responsible for the areas of Worship and Music, Christian Education, Pastoral Care

and Congregational Events. You are invited to join the Committee on Tuesday June 9th at 2 pm in the Assembly area .

Acts 2:42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Mark 14: 22 While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Luke 24:28-35 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

PASTORAL CARE

Valerie



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

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In Holy Communion Christ places his table in this world to feed and bless his people.. (from Living Faith 7.7.2)

MISSION CAPSULES: This Sunday, Presbyterians from across Canada are gathering in Vancouver, BC for our annual General Assembly. Tristan Gerrie, a young adult representative at last year's Assembly, shares, "I felt the Spirit amongst us during our worship services, heard of God's work around the world through our ecumenical speakers and felt the warm embrace of fellowship amongst my brothers and sisters in the church. I am grateful for this opportunity to have been involved." This year, under the theme *Imagining the Kingdom* commissioners will once again come together to discuss policy, approve budgets, share stories from their ministries and dream for the future.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for the work of the General Assembly.

STEWARDSHIP A road that perhaps more than any other leads to self atrophy is undedicated money. *E. Stanley Jones*



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.