## WELCOME TO...

The Presbyterian Church of

# Saint David

9:00 a.m. Worship 19th Sunday after Pentecost, September 25, 2016

Prelude
Call to Worship:

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; come let us adore him. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Hymn No. 32 'Within your temple, Lord'

Prayer of Confession (unison) Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbours and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins, and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ our saviour. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon Minister: Friends, believe the good news. **People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven** 

Hymn 18 "Through all the changing scenes of life"

Psalm 91: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his

wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Hymn 502 "Lord, thy word abideth"

Meditation: Serenity"

O, Sabbath rest of Galilee! O, calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee, the silence of eternity interpreted by love. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease: take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Invitation:

Hymn 548 "Let us break bread together" (Verses 1 and 2)

#### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you**. Leader: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them to the Lord.** 

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### People: Why do we give thanks at this table?

Leader: We give thanks for God's creation, for making us in God's image.

We give thanks because God never gave up on us, even though we were not faithful to God.

We give thanks because when it was time,
God sent His only Son, Jesus, to show God's love for us.

Leader: How do we praise God for all this?
All: With all the faithful of every time and place,
this song is sung to God's glory:
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the
highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: What do we remember at this table?

People: We remember God's Son, Jesus:
He healed the sick and restored sight to the blind;
He welcomed strangers and ate with outcasts.

Dying on the cross, he saved us from our sins,
Risen from the dead, he gives us new life.

#### People: How are we able to remember?

Leader: We are able to remember because of the gift of the Holy Spirit, God's first gift to those who believe, who will complete God's work in the world.

#### People: Why do we eat bread at this table?

Leader: On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, blessed it, and gave it to his friends. He told them to eat it and remember him. And ministering in Jesus' name we do likewise.

#### People: Why do we drink from the cup at this table?

Leader: After the meal, Jesus took the cup, and gave it to them as the promise that our sins are forgiven. And ministering in Jesus' name, we do likewise.

Leader: Let us pray that these elements will become holy Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

People: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, All glory and honour are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

Leader: Since this meal brings us together with all Christians, let us pray for the needs of the world, the church, and all of God's children. (The minister offers prayers asking God to help all those in need.) Now, together let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

#### The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Communion

Hymn 548 "Let us break bread together" (Verse 3)

Prayer after Communion (unison)
Gracious God,
you have made us one with all your people
in heaven and on earth.
You have fed us with the bread of life
and renewed us for your service.
Help us who have shared Christ's body
and received his cup to be his faithful disciples,
so that our daily living may be part of the life
of your kingdom and our love be your love
reaching out into the life of the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn No. 549 "For the bread which you have broken" Postlude