



## GATHERING



Prelude:

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to worship: *In deep gratitude we come to worship God. We recognize God as the source of all goodness. All good gifts come from the Spirit of God: love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God. We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is. We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.*

\*Hymn: Give thanks my soul

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Prayer of Confession: *We pray for all who have forgotten how to say thank you; who have gotten used to saying, "I earned this," and who truly feel they have only themselves to thank. We pray for all who are too busy to be thankful; who asked themselves this morning, "Do I have time to go to church?" and who even in worship are thinking about their to-do lists. We pray for all who are grudgingly thankful; who say, "I guess this will have to do," while believing that God has given them a raw deal. We pray for all who are too tired to be thankful, who sigh, "I just want to get through this day," and who have no energy to open their eyes to the blessings around them. We pray for all who are not thankful enough to be generous, who bargain with God, "I'll be unselfish when you give me more," or who are free with money, but are stingy in spending time with others. We pray for all who are barely thankful; who say the words, but don't feel grateful in their hearts who go through the motions, but think, "I don't know how to be really thankful." Today we pray a simple prayer. For what we have received, Lord, make us truly thankful. Amen.*

## PROCLAIMING

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 65 *Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive*

*our transgressions. Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.*

\*Hymn: For all your goodness, God

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Community Conversation:

From the letters:

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Gospel:

Luke 17:11-19

One: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

All: **Praise to you, O Christ**

\*Hymn: O Lord my God

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Sermon: **A GENUINE THANKSGIVING**

## RESPONDING

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem:

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

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Introduction to offering: *Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

Offertory Prayer

Announcements:

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

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Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer (debts & debtors)

SENDING

\*Hymn: All things bright and beautiful

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\*Benediction:

\*Choral amen

Postlude:



**Worship is now ended let our service begin!**

**A-11 Edict for ordination of elders**

Whereas Nancy Tindall, Susan Lappin and Colin Roop, members of this church, have been duly elected to the eldership by this congregation, and have been approved by the session, notice is hereby given that the session will proceed to ordain to that office on the 16th day of October in the year 2016 at 11 o'clock (am), unless some valid objection has been given unto the moderator within ten days from this date (final date for objection is Oct.12<sup>th</sup>).

{Presbyterian Church of Saint David, October 02, 2016}

Valerie Macdonald, Clerk of Session

Thank you to those who decorated the sanctuary as we celebrate Thanksgiving today!

**Set aside:** Hardwood Lands Bean Supper Saturday, October 15th  
4:30-6:00 pm



	<b>THIS WEEK - (October 9-16)</b>	
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	traditional service and the ordination of elders
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 pm	Choir practice
<b>Friday</b>		David's Place.
<b>October 23 - Brief financial review conducted by our finance committee immediately following the 11 am worship service.</b>		



**The Women's Inter-Church Council** of Halifax-Metro annual Fall Rally and "*\*Fellowship of the Least Coin* 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ingathering Service" will take place at Saint Theresa's Parish, 6351 North Street, Halifax at 7:00pm on Monday, October 17, 2016.

The guest speaker will be Sister Jovita MacPherson who will speak on the street ministry in Halifax of the Sisters of St. Martha's. A free-will offering will also be received for the sisters of St. Martha's Street Ministry. A reception will be held following the service. All Are Welcome.

On October 30, **St. James Church, Truro** celebrates 95 years of life and ministry. As part of our celebrations we are hosting a Celebration in Song featuring the St. James Male Chorus. All are invited to this service of special music and praise at 7 pm Sunday October 30. We will be serving a "cup of tea" in the hall following the service.

**Deuteronomy 8:7-18** For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to

yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

**2 Corinthians 9:6-15** The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

**Luke 17:11-19** On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."