



### PASTORAL CARE

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

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### MISSION MOMENTS: *Presbyterians*

**Sharing** supports Joel Sherbino, a part-time mission liaison between the PCC and the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Malawi as he continues his ministry at Paris Presbyterian Church in Ontario. In accepting this position, Joel expressed his deep sense of call in these words: "I will always have one foot in each world, Malawi and Canada". Joel is in regular contact with the Blantyre Synod prison ministry's volunteers and staff, and encourages Canadian Presbyterians to learn about Malawi, pray for the people there and support special projects. Joel's position as liaison will help deepen the PCC's partnership with the CCAP, while offering opportunities for Canadian Presbyterians to engage in Christ's mission in Malawi.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** *We pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development partners walking hand-in-hand with those suffering with tuberculosis, HIV, leprosy and malaria as they journey to health and prosperity.*

**STEWARDSHIP** A thing is better for being shared

*-Gaelic saying*

**We welcome** younger children to our services! St. David's is a



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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 Greeters this morning are Colin MacPherson and Gary Smith. Our scripture reader for this morning is Marie Wamboldt. Refreshment Host is Phyllis Morrison.

## *The Presbyterian Church of* **Saint David**



1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax,

**Minister:** Kenn Stright

**Organist:** Freeman Dryden

**Clerk of Session:** Valerie Macdonald



## WELCOME

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

**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Passion/Palm Sunday – April 09, 2017**

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

### Our Vision

**A Worshiping, Sharing, Welcoming Community**

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### God Calls Us to Worship



Prelude: Handel: - Overture to ALCINA

- ARIA from Concerto #12

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship: *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!*

### Lenten Liturgy

**\*Palm Sunday Parade: Sunday School and choir**

**\*Hymn**

All glory, laud and honour

Confession: *We confess that we are not so different from those who welcomed Christ into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday yet later shouted 'Crucify him!' or remained silent in the face of injustice. We have betrayed you too, Lord Jesus by our sins both secret and known. Yet you died for people like us, and you rose on the third day that we might be redeemed. For the sake of Jesus Christ do not hold our sins against us.*

Assurance of Pardon: *In Christ, God hears; God answers; God sets us free.*  
**In Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

### We Hear God's Word

*One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.*  
 Responsive Psalm: **Psalm 118** *O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

\*Hymn: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Conversation with the children: *Part of the Parade*

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

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

Choir: *Hallelujah Chorus*

Sermon: From Palms to Passion

Scripture: Portions of the Passion (see below)

### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choir: *Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain*

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

**830**

Offertory Prayer

Announcements:

Prayers of the People:

John Wamboldt

The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")

### We Go Out to Serve God

\*Hymn: *"My song is love unknown"*

**220**

\*Commissioning and Benediction: (be seated)

Amen: (Handel)

Scripture: Philippians 2: 5-8

Choir: *Surely He Hath Borne Our Griefs*

Postlude: Recessional by William Walond.

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



THIS WEEK - (April 09-16)		
Today	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	<b>Palm Sunday Parade</b> and Sunday School
		<b>Vesuvius Chamber Choir</b>
		<b>Food Bank Sunday</b>
	12:15 pm	Final Lenten Study in the minister's study
<b>See list of services Monday-Friday</b>		
Thursday	7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday here with Calvin
Friday		David's Place
<b>Good Friday service at 10:30 – First Baptist</b>		
Easter Sunday		<b>Sunrise service Point Pleasant Park - 6:20</b>
	9:00 am	Early service
	9:45 am	Easter breakfast
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Easter Communion
	12:15 pm	Easter luncheon

If you wish to present Easter flowers or contribute money for same, please contact Phyllis Morrison (no lillies!).

**The Easter Breakfast** this year will be a potluck event. Please join us for this pre-service celebration and bring along your favourite muffins, fruit, bread, or cereal.

Upcoming: On April 23<sup>th</sup> we will have the **Rev. Iona MacLean** join us for Anniversary Sunday and the Sacrament of Baptism as Anderson Harris is welcomed into the family of faith.

The newest ensemble of the Halifax Music Coop is the **Vesuvius Chamber Choir**. We welcome them this morning!

The Vesuvius Chamber Choir (VCC) is an exciting group from the Halifax Music Coop's choral program. Extensively auditioned and rigorously rehearsed, the VCC brings baroque and renaissance masterworks to life. This Holy Week the VCC is joined by a consort of friends from across the province and will travel to Yarmouth to share their passion for the staggering music of Victoria and French composer Jean Gillis. Don't miss your chance to hear them for the first time! **Concert tickets can be bought at: [thehmc.ca](http://thehmc.ca)**

**Repairing the Southeast Corner** Repairing the brickwork on the SE corner is estimated to cost \$7,500. If you would like to contribute, make a donation to the Building Fund. How? If you have offering envelopes, enter your donation on the Building Fund line. If you do not have offering envelopes, put your donation in any envelope and write "Building Fund", the amount and your envelope number. If you don't know your envelope number, write your name. If you will not be in church, you can mail your donation to: St. David's, Box 36061, RPO Spring Garden Rd, Halifax B3J 3S9.

**The Helen M. Watson Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Saint David:** Applications for financial assistance from the Helen M. Watson Fund will be received prior to April 30, 2017. This fund produces income to be used "exclusively for local missionary work in Nova Scotia". If you have any questions, please contact Mac Fyfe (902) 425-3844, Mac Mackay- (902) 422-5481 or Johannah Roberts (902) 457-2836. Application Form and Guidelines Document, may be obtained from the Church Office (902) 423-1944, by E-Mail [stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca) or from the Web site, after April 1.

**L'Arche Halifax** will be holding its popular Annual Art Show and Sale in the St. Agnes Church Auditorium, 6903 Mumford Road (corner Chebucto Rd) on Friday, April 21 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, Saturday, April 22nd from 10:00am to 6:00pm and Sunday, April 23rd from 9:30am to 3:00pm. Selected works by Renee Forrestall, Zahava Power, Mohamed Ahmed and Inana Jewels will be included. Please join us. A portion of the proceeds will be used in support of the work of L'ARCHE HALIFAX.

## **Ecumenical Holy Week Services**

**10-13 April 2017; 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast after each Service**

### **Monday, April 10**

Cathedral Church of All Saints, 1330 Cathedral Lane

### **Tuesday, April 11**

St. John's United, 6199 Chebucto Road

### **Wednesday, April 12**

St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica, 5221 Spring Garden Rd

### **Thursday, April 13**

St. Andrew's United, 6036 Coburg Rd

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY SEDER SERVICE**

St. David's, 7 pm with Calvin Presbyterian

Led by Rabbi David Ellis

## **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

10:30 First Baptist

## **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE**

Point Pleasant Park (lower entrance) 6:20 am (sunrise 6:28)

## **EASTER SERVICES**

Early service – 9 am Easter Breakfast 9:40

Traditional Communion Service

Paul Halley and the King's College Chapel Choir will perform Bach's **St John Passion** on Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm, at the Cathedral Church of All Saints (Halifax).



**Matthew 21: 1-11      Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

**Summary of the Passion from Matthew 26:14-27:66**

Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver. And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.... (that day) they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?"... While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he

broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. To Peter he said: "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." ... In the garden he said: Then he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me."... See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.... While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; ... "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him.

The high Priest asked him: "What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." What is your verdict?" They answered, "He deserves death."... Then they spat in his face and struck him; and some slapped him, They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor. Now Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so.".. after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

**Philippians 2: 5-8** Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.