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MISSION MOMENTS: A miracle of abundance

Like those who witnessed Jesus feeding the five thousand, members of the Northern New Brunswick Regional Ministry have experienced a miracle of abundance. The four separate congregations were each struggling in their own way until they came together to grow as one. Through *Presbyterians Sharing*, these partners in ministry are now sharing their gifts in ways that enhance, inspire, and build their communities. One of the congregations with established gifts in youth ministry recently sent a youth team to another ministry in the region to help them run a Vacation Bible School. What started out as a kind gesture ended up inspiring new leadership and sparking a whole new children's ministry where there was none before. This is just one example of how these congregations, through gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*, are growing together to share God's love.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray and give thanks for the members of the Listening Committee as they hear about the experience of LGBTQI people in the church.

STEWARDSHIP If you haven't got any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble.

Bob Hope (1903 - 2003), comedian



I Breastfeed.

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.

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. Greeting you this morning is Colin MacPherson. Our reader for this morning is Phyllis Morrison. Our refreshment host is Val Macdonald.



*The
Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David*

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S.

Interim Moderator: Iona MacLean

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WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day

February 11, 2018 The Transfiguration of our Lord

We gather on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Peace and Friendship Treaties with the Mi'kmaq bind us together as we strive for reconciliation.

Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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GATHERING



Introit: *Drop, Drop, Slow Tears*

-Gibbons

*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship: *Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.*

What we do know is this: When he is revealed we will be like him, for we will see him as he is

Hymn: *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

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Prayer of Adoration: **Almighty God, Whose Son was revealed in majesty before he died on the cross:**

Give us faith to see his glory as we gather here today
and strengthen us with his grace
that we may become more and more like him,
so that our lives may show the glory of his love
in our world today.
In his name who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: [II Cor. 5:17-18]

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

everything old has passed away; see everything has become new!

**All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself
through Christ, and has given us the ministry of
reconciliation.**

EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 50:1-6

¹*The mighty one, God the Lord,*

speaks and summons the earth

from the rising of the sun to its setting.

²**Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.**

³*Our God comes and does not keep silence,*

before him is a devouring fire,

and a mighty tempest all around him.

⁴**He calls to the heavens above**

and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

⁵*'Gather to me my faithful ones,*

who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!'

⁶**The heavens declare his righteousness,**

for God himself is judge.

Hymn: "We have come at Christ's own bidding" 187

Community conversation

From the letters: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Gospel: Mark 9: 2-9

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

Hymn: "Swiftly pass the clouds of glory" 186

Sermon: **Moment of Truth**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee* -Paul Halley

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

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

Hymn: "Arise, your light is come" 712

Benediction (... *be with you all. And also with you*)

Postlude: *Fugue in E Minor* -J.S. Bach

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

THIS WEEK – (February 11-25)

Today	9:00 am	Early service with communion
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional Service – Sunday School Food Bank Sunday
	12:00 pm	Refreshments
Wed.	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday		David's Place -
Sunday	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service –

We extend the sympathy of the congregation to Gwen Larsen and family on the death last week of her sister Gail Herbin. The service will be Monday, February 12, at 2:30 pm in St. John's Anglican Church in Wolfville.

We extend the sympathy of the congregation to Jim Osmond, Judi Henderson and Kay Foxton on the death on Wednesday of Kay's brother-in-law Tommie Foxton. He was Jim's uncle. There will not be any visitation or service

We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the family of Clary Anderson who died on Wednesday. Service details will be announced.

Camp Geddie staff applications are now available from the website www.campgeddie.ca

Session will meet **Wednesday, February 14, at 7pm.**

Advance Notice: The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on **Sunday, March 4**, following the 11 a.m. Service of Worship and the Men's Soup Contest (sandwiches, rolls, and sweets welcomed).

The Women's Inter-Church Council of Halifax will celebrate the 2018 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER with a service at **2:00 p.m., Friday, March 2** (storm date **March 9**). at Halifax Christian Church, 51 Farnham Gate Road. The 2018 theme is "All of God's Creation is Very Good", prepared by the WDP committee of the Republic of Suriname. Guest speaker, Reverend Diane Parker, retired Anglican minister, will speak on "God's Creation". Reception to follow. All Welcomed - friends, family.

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**2 Kings 2:1-12** Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men

of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6** And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Mark 9:2-9** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.