PASTORAL CARE



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webinars Are you interested in learning about digital giving? Church renewal? Sharing your congregation's story in inspiring ways? Moving forward with your church's vision? The PCC's webinars provide online learning opportunities that equip congregations on topics relating to leadership, renewal and stewardship. Each webinar is free, made possible by gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*. It's easy to register and participate. Each webinar is recorded and posted online for viewing at any time. To find out about upcoming webinars, visit presyterian.ca/webinar-wednesday.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Give thanks for congregations that are reducing their carbon footprint.

STEWARDSHIP Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude.

Mary Jo Leddy (1946), Radical Gratitude



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 Mac Fyfe. Our refreshment host is Heidi Schafer.



1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S.
Interim Moderator: Iona MacLean
Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald
Organist: Nick Veltmeyer

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day March 25, 2018 Palm Sunday

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: O Vos Omnes

*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures *Call to Worship: (while waving palms)

Praise God! Hosanna to the Son of David!

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

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

"All glory, laud, and honour" Hvmn: 214

"Remember your baptism"

Sung Response: "The Lord is my song"

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The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

O God, Creator and Sustainer of all life, . . .

Receive our worship in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we now confess our sin together:

Have mercy on us, O God,

according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy

blot out our transgressions.

Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin.

Create in us a clean heart, O God,

and put a new and right spirit within us.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: [from Psalm 25:8,10]

"Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. . . All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees."

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

EQUIPPING

PWS&D Lenten Liturgy

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Jeremiah 7:1-11

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

"All who the name of Jesus bear" Hymn:

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Community conversation

Gospel: Mark 11:1-19

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

"My song is love unknown" Hymn: 220

Upsetting the Applecart Sermon:

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Have Mercy Upon Me Anthem: -Handel Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" 830

Offertory Prayer Announcements

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

SENDING

"Ride on, ride on in majesty" Hymn: 217

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

Postlude:

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

| THIS WEEK – (March 25 - April 1) | | |
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| Today | 9:00 am | Early service with communion |
| | 10:00 am | Circle of Prayer |
| | 11:00 am | Traditional Service – Sunday School |
| | 12:00 pm | Refreshments |
| Thursday | 7:30 pm | Choir Practice |
| Friday | • | David's Place - |
| Sunday | 6:45 am | Sunrise Service |
| | 9:30 am | Easter Potluck Breakfast |
| | 11:00 am | Traditional service |

We welcome the Rev. Ian Fraser as guest preacher today. Ian is a retired Presbyterian minister from Montreal who will be one of the coaches in the New Beginnings project. He recently worked for about a year with St. Andrew's United Church, Halifax.

Once again Saint David's is asked to support the interdenominational "Food for Phoenix" healthy snack programme for homeless and at-risk youth. This is a once-a-year contribution. Cost per week is approximately \$175 but any donated amount is greatly appreciated by Phoenix House. Anyone who wishes to contribute toward this programme is asked to give their donation to Anne Sommerville (income tax receipts will be issued).

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

We don't hear the organ much at present. As the organ upgrade progresses, the organ will be played again. You can contribute to the organ improvements: If you have collection envelopes, clearly write on the envelope the amount you are giving to the Organ Upgrade. Or you can use any envelope: Write "Organ Upgrade", the amount and your offering number (or your name and address) and drop it in the collection plate.

If you wish you can give by e-transfer. Call Mac Fyfe, 425-3844 for details.

Refreshment hosts are needed for April 15 and on through May and June. Please see Phyllis to sign up. Thanks.

Holy Week Ecumenical Services: South-end churches invite everyone to attend joint Holy Week services. Services begin at 7:30am followed by a light breakfast at 8:00am.

Monday, March 26: All Saints Cathedral

Tuesday, March 27: First Baptist Church Halifax

Wednesday, March 28: St. Mary's Basilica

Thursday, March 29: St. Matthew's United Church

Thursday, March 29 - 6:30 p.m. Joint Maundy Thursday Communion Service at Calvin Presbyterian Church

Friday, March 30 - 10:30 a.m. Ecumenical Good Friday Service at St. Andrew's United Church with St. John's United, First Baptist, St. David's, and St. Andrew's participating.

Sunday, April 1: Sunrise Service with First Baptist

Easter Potluck at 9:30 AM

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#### **Introit Translation:**

## O Vos Omnes

O all you who walk by on the road, pay attention and see:

if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.

Pay attention, all people, and look at my sorrow: if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.

Jeremiah 7:1-11 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: Stand in the gate of the LORD's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah, you that enter these gates to worship the LORD. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your doings, and let me dwell with you<sup>[a]</sup> in this place. Do not trust in these deceptive words: "This is<sup>[b]</sup> the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the

For if you truly amend your ways and your doings, if you truly act justly one with another, if you do not oppress the alien, the orphan, and the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own hurt, then I will dwell with you in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your ancestors forever and ever.

Here you are, trusting in deceptive words to no avail. Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, "We are safe!"—only to go on doing all these abominations? Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your sight? You know, I too am watching, says the LORD.

Mark 11:1-19 When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately." They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the

fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry. Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see whether perhaps he would find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard it.

Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves; and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. He was teaching and saying, "Is it not written,

'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers."

And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching. And when evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city.