



PASTORAL CARE

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MISSION MOMENTS: Easing suffering in Bangladesh

Since the outbreak of state-led violence against the Rohingya minority in Myanmar's Rakhine state, Safiri has been living in fear. Her husband was shot and her entire village burned to the ground. One night, fearing an attack by members of the army, she fled with her children across dangerous countryside to the Balukhai camp in Bangladesh. Their arrival brought new challenges—shelter conditions were miserable and food, water and sanitation services scarce. Safiri's story of suffering is hard to grasp, but her needs for survival are very real. PWS&D, alongside Canadian Foodgrains Bank and ACT Alliance, is helping Rohingya refugees like Safiri meet their basic needs and find hope that life will once again be normal.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Give thanks today that we are able to be an expression of God's love to everyone we meet. Pray that other people may see glimpses of God's glory in and through our lives.

STEWARDSHIP God has given us two hands--one to receive with and the other to give with. We are not cisterns made for hoarding; we are channels made for sharing.

Billy Graham (b.1918), evangelist



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 Phyllis Morrison. Our reader for this morning is Andrew Lappin. Our refreshment host is Jane Brown.



*The
Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David*

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

April 15, 2018 Third Sunday of Easter

*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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**Please stand as able*

GATHERING



Introit:

This Joyful Eastertide

-Charles Wood

*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!

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

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

*Prayer of Adoration:

**We are blessed, O God of Life,
that on Sunday, the day of resurrection,
you raised Jesus from death.
In him we find abundant and eternal life.
In Jesus you make all things new.
We praise and adore you.
May we, who are witnesses of Jesus' resurrection
live his risen life.
May we always be your Easter people,
through Jesus Christ our Lord who is alive!
Alleluia! Amen.**

*Hymn: *"All people that on earth do dwell"* **65**

EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Acts 3:8-21

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

The Sacrament of Baptism

*Hymn: *"Child of blessing, child of promise"* **521**

*Aaronic Blessing (sung) **619**

From the letters: I John 3:1-7

Gospel: Luke 24:28-48

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

*Hymn: *"Now the green blade rises"* **256**

Sermon: **What we are**

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *Most Glorious Lord of Life* -William Harris

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

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: *"God is here! As we your people meet"* **799**

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

Postlude:

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

THIS WEEK – (April 15-22)

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	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service –

Flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning by Johannah Roberts in loving memory of her parents, Douglas and Ellen Dunlop.

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.

Find your church on the Twitter @St_Davids_Hfx and on and Facebook @StDavidsPresbyterianHfx (or just search Saint David's Presbyterian Halifax, and we should show up). As well, the Saturday Afternoon Concerts at Saint David's series has a Facebook page, @ www.facebook.com/saturdaysatstdavids/ (or search Saturday Afternoon Concerts at Saint Davids). To hear about news and events, click Follow on the Facebook pages and follow us on Twitter. We also have a website, which has all kinds of interesting pictures, bulletins, newsletters and announcements. It can be accessed at saintdavids.ca.

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

On **Monday, April 23rd at 7 pm**, Dr. Boris Worm will present "Healthy Ocean, Healthy People," a presentation examining the role the ocean plays in supporting our daily lives. This event will be held at St. Andrew's United Church, and will feature an art display from 14 Bells Fine Art Gallery.

Ladies Fellowship Spring Tea and Bake Sale , Calvin Presbyterian Church, 3311 Ashburn Ave, April 28 from 11 am- 12:30 pm , Tickets are \$8.00 at the door.

Nova Voce's Spring concert at St. John's United Church in Fall River (3360 Highway #2) will take place on **Sunday, April 29th at 3 pm – doors open at 2:30 pm**. Tickets are \$15, available from choir members, on line www.novavoce.com or at the door.

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**Acts 3:8-21** Jumping up, he stood and began to walk, and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. All the people saw him walking and praising God, and they recognized him as the one who used to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's Portico, utterly astonished. When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong,

whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah appointed for you, that is, Jesus, who must remain in heaven until the time of universal restoration that God announced long ago through his holy prophets.

**I John 3:1-7** See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

**Luke 24: 28-48** As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has

appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself.

Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.