



## PASTORAL CARE

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### MISSION MOMENTS: Medical ministry in Nepal

“We serve, Jesus heals” is the motto of Tansen Mission Hospital in western Nepal, which serves a population of one million. Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Dr. Nicholas Bauman, a surgeon appointed to the United Mission to Nepal. As part of the Tansen Hospital medical and surgical team, made up of Nepali and international physicians, Nick responds to referrals for gynecology, urology, and abdominal problems. Nick also teaches post-graduate students enrolled in the Medical Doctorate in General Practice. He shares, “Our faith community has always stressed the importance of mission, particularly the sense that our lives are not our own, but are gifts, and that we are entrusted by God to be stewards of this gift.” Nick is joined in Nepal by his wife Becky and their four children.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** Pray for the continued efforts of individuals and communities in responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s 94 Calls to Action, released in 2015.

**STEWARDSHIP** We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.

*Winston Churchill (1874-1965), British prime minister and statesman*



**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 afternoon is Don Knox. Our reader for this morning is Phyllis Morrison. Our refreshment host is Phyllis Morrison.



*The  
Presbyterian  
Church of  
Saint  
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**Interim Moderator:** Iona MacLean

**Clerk of Session:** Valerie Macdonald

**Organist:** Nick Veltmeyer

# WELCOME!

**Service for the Lord’s Day**

**May 20, 2018**

*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 if able*

**GATHERING**



Prelude:

\*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship:

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,  
make known God's deeds among the peoples.*

**Sing to God, sing praises.**

*Glory in God's holy name;*

*let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.*

**Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.**

\*Hymn: "God, we praise you for the morning" **436**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

**God of life, we rejoice in your love which has filled creation from the beginning and which calls all life into being. We praise you for Jesus Christ who reveals most fully your loving purpose for all people. We bless you for your Spirit who draws all humanity into the circle of your tender love.**

**God of grace, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**Please forgive us and renew us in your love.**

**Heal the wounded relationships that separate us from you and one another;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

### EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Isaiah 43:18-21

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 126

<sup>1</sup> *When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.*

<sup>2</sup> **Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;**

*then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.'*

<sup>3</sup> **The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.**

<sup>4</sup> *Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.*

<sup>5</sup> **May those who sow in tears**

**reap with shouts of joy.**

<sup>6</sup> **Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.**

Hymn: "Breathe on me, breath of God" **389**

Community conversation

From the letters: Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel: John 16:12-15

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

Hymn: "Fight the good fight" **690**

Sermon: **Forward to what lies ahead**

### We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

### SENDING

Hymn: "Sing your praise to God eternal" **423**

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

Postlude:

**Our worship continues with our service in the world.**

### THIS WEEK – (May 20-27)

<b>Today</b>	4:00 pm	Traditional Service
	5:00 pm	Refreshments
Friday		David's Place -
Sunday	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service –

We welcome guest organist, Ian Bent of St. Paul's Anglican Church.

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

Sunday School will end on June 3. This will also be Communion Sunday.

If you know of anyone graduating from high school or university this year, please let someone on the Worship and Church Life committee know. Thanks.

Services will continue here through July. On July 29 we will meet together with St. John's and First Baptist. Schedule to follow.

The following is the schedule for the New Beginnings small groups. There are places available in all of them, so pick the one that best suits your time schedule.

- **Sunday 12:30 pm** Meets in the sanctuary. Next one is May 27.
- **Monday 7:00 pm** 1245 Wright Avenue  
First session, Monday, May 21
- **Wednesday: 9:30 a.m.** North Branch Library  
First Session Wednesday May 23
- **Thursday: 7:00 pm** 5872 Gorsebrook Avenue  
First session Thursday, May 24
- **7:00 pm** 212 Waterfront Drive, Bedford  
First Session Thursday, May 24

There are 4 sessions for each group, spread over the next 5 weeks. We want and need your input, so please seriously consider signing up for 1 of the groups. While it is preferable to stay with 1 group, if you have a conflict in a particular week, you may join one of the other groups.

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**Isaiah 43:18-21**

Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honor me,

the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

**Phillipians 3:4b-14** If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

**John 16:12-15** “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.