

PASTORAL CARE

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MISSION MOMENTS: Enjoying school and pursuing

dreams - Zindaba's story is not uncommon in many Malawian communities—children want to go to school but their families can't afford the fees. Zindaba feels very fortunate that her aunt paid for her first two years at school, a time the girl recalls with great joy. "The teachers were good and encouraged us a lot," she shares. Unfortunately, the expense became too great a struggle for her aunt. When Zindaba had to drop out, she never imagined she'd make it to university, but education support from PWS&D helped Zindaba pay her school fees and gave her support to pursue her dreams. Today, proudly displaying her university class scores, a smiling Zindaba talks about training to be an accountant.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray that the church may be a home where everyone feels welcomed and cherished as God's children, and that we bear witness to Jesus' ministry of inclusion.

STEWARDSHIP

Live like a shepherd, not like a wolf. Remember, recycling is an act of worship!

Christians for Environmental Stewardship



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 Val Macdonald. Our reader for this morning is Nancy Tindall. Our refreshment host is Vanora Haldane.



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 May 27, 2018 First Sunday after Pentecost

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 Mailing Address: 36061 RPO Spring Garden Halifax, NS B3J 3S9 Organist: (Nick Veltmeyer) nick.veltmeyer@gmail.com Office: stdavids.office@ns.sympatico.ca Telephone: (902) 423-1944 Web site: www.saintdavids.ca

> *Please stand if able GATHERING



Prelude:

*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures
*Call to Worship: [Joel 1:1a; 2:28-29] The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
The word of the Lord to the prophet:
I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

your old men shall dream dreams and your young men shall see visions.			
Hymn: "On this assembled host" <u>277</u>			
Litany for Pentecost:			
Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over the waters.			
From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust.			
Come, Holy Spirit!			
Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration,			
the prophets spoke and acted in faith and were bearers of your Word.			
Come, Holy Spirit!			
Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples;			
you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.			
Come, Holy Spirit!			
Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you make us the living temple of your			
presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.			
Come, Holy Spirit!			
Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you			
create; you give gifts so that the whole creation may become what you			
want it to be.			
Come, Holy Spirit!			
God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit			
transform us,			
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,			
may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our			
strength,			
now and always. Amen.			
EQUIPPING			
First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14			

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One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.
Responsive Reading: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
²⁴ O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.
²⁶ There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport

in it.

²⁷ These all look to you to give them their food in due season; ²⁸ when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. ³⁰ When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground. ³¹ May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in his works-³² who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. ³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.... ³⁵ Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord! "Spirit of the living God" Hymn: 400 Community conversation Reading: Acts 2:1-21 One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn:"Come, O Spirit, with your sound"Sermon:The intersection between heaven and earth

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We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and OfferingsDoxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"830Offertory PrayerAnnouncementsPrayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

SENDING

Hymn: "O Breath of life, some sweeping through us" <u>384</u> Benediction (... *be with you all.* **And also with you.**) Postlude:

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

THIS WEEK – (May 27-June 3)

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
	12:30 pm	Judi Henderson's small group meeting
Friday		David's Place -
Sunday	9:00 am	Early service
	10:00 am	Circle of Prayer
	11:00 am	Traditional service - Communion

We extend a warm welcome to our guest pianist Gabriel O'Brien. Nick is on vacation and will be back with us next Sunday.

Refreshment hosts are needed for June and July. 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 (today).
- Monday 7:00 pm 1245 Wright Avenue Next session, Monday, May 28
- Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. North Branch Library Next Session Wednesday May 30
- **Thursday: 7:00 pm** 5872 Gorsebrook Avenue Next session Thursday, May 31
- **7:00 pm** 212 Waterfront Drive, Bedford Next Session Thursday, May 31

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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**Ezekiel 37:1-14** The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

Acts 2:1-21 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.