PASTORAL CARE



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MISSION MOMENTS: A dynamic gathering of youth

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support the vibrant ministry of Canada Youth. Every two years, hundreds of participants join together from across our denomination to celebrate their energetic faith. This remarkable event in July unites youth, young adults, church leaders and guests from around the world for five days of soulsatisfying worship, unique expressions of faith in large and small groups, dynamic keynotes and workshops, vibrant faith exploration and joyful celebration! CY is a gathering place for all kinds of enthusiastic Presbyterians to worship, play, create, learn, make new friends, study scripture, and share joy. More than 4,000 folks have attended CY since it began and the impact of its ministry has been felt in our camps, congregations, and courts.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for our mission partners in Canada and around the world, supported through gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*.

STEWARDSHIP Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.

St. Catherine of Siena (1347-1380), philosopher, theologian



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 Davida Mackay. Our refreshment host is Anne Sommerville.



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 6, 2018 Sixth 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 if able

GATHERING



Prelude:

*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 sing to you, Lord, a new song

for you have done marvelous things.

You remembered your steadfast love and faithfulness.

In the raising of Jesus from death, you set things right.

Love wins over hate, life triumphs over death.

With gratitude and gladness,

we break forth into joyous son and sing praises to you through Jesus our Risen Lord. Amen.

*Hymn:

"Christ is Alive"

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EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 98

¹ O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.

- ² The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
- ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

- ⁴ Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
- ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.
- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
- ⁸ Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy
- ⁹ at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Hymn: "Come, children, join to sing" 377

Community conversation

Gospel: John 15:9-17

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

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Hymn: "We are God's people"

Sermon: On being chosen

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" <u>830</u>

Offertory Prayer Announcements

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

SENDING

Hymn: "Joyful, joyful, we adore you" <u>410</u>

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

Postlude

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

| | | THIS WEEK – (May 6-13) |
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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 |
| Wed. | | Session Meeting |
| Friday | • | David's Place - |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Early service |
| | 10:00 am | Circle of Prayer |
| | | Christian Family Sunday – Food Bank |

Convenors of Standing Committees will meet with Nick and Iona following the service today.

Session will meet on Wednesday, May 9, at 7 pm in the sanctuary.

Next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday. Please remember our guests at David's Place. Toilet Paper, generic socks, dental floss and single wrapped toothbrushes, grocery bags, and food items are most appreciated.

REMINDER! The New Beginnings small group conversations will start mid-May. There are five groups at different times and places to suit your schedule. **Please sign up today** and join in this opportunity to discern the Spirit's leading for Saint David's. Signup sheets available at the back of the sanctuary.

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

The Contemporary Arts Society will hold its 45th Annual Juried Show at the Chase Gallery, Nova Scotia Public Archives, 6016 University Avenue, Halifax, from **May 1-15, 2018**. Gallery hours are: Mon,Tues,Thu, Fri, - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm; Wed - 8:30 am - 9 pm; Sat - 9 am - 5 pm. Free admission.

www.contemporaryart.ns.ca

Iona Presbyterian Church, Dartmouth, will hold their annual Mothers' Day Tea and Sale on Saturday, May 12, from 2-4 pm.

On Sunday, May 13 the Nova New Horizons band program will present its annual Metro based end of term concert at the Double Tree Hilton Hotel in Dartmouth starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for A Spring Fling Thing are \$15.00 per person – Nachos and Salsa will be on the tables and there will be a cash bar.

Christian Family Sunday is May 13.

There will be no Sunday School on May 20. This is Bluenose Marathon day so plan carefully!! We are thinking of changing the time of the service--keep tuned.

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

If you know of anyone graduating from high school on 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.

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Acts 10:44-48 While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

**John 15:9-17** As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.