



PASTORAL CARE

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MISSION MOMENTS: Creating new paths of generosity

In April, members of the Stewards by Design planning committee attended the “Pathways to Generosity” conference at King of Glory Lutheran Church in Dallas, Texas. They were inspired by dynamic worship, a diverse group of keynote speakers and workshops on topics ranging from preaching stewardship, narrative budgets, stewardship and social media, legacy giving and the stewardship of creation. The team also met with Dr. Kennon Callahan, keynote speaker for the next Stewards by Design conference planned for May, 2019. Members returned home ready to create new paths of generosity in the PCC’s stewardship ministry.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for congregations sharing summer services with other denominations, rejoicing in their ecumenical connections.

STEWARDSHIP When life knocks you in the knees – well, that’s the best position in which to pray, isn’t it?
Ethel Barrymore (1879-1959), actress



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 Colin MacPherson. Our reader for this morning is Val Macdonald. Our refreshment host is Phyllis Morrison.



*The
Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David*

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S.

Guest Minister: Barry Carr

Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald

Organist: Nick Veltmeyer

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord’s Day

July 15, 2018 Eighth 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

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**Please stand if able*

GATHERING



Introit: *Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

*The chimes and The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

On this day, we gather with thanksgiving in our hearts.

For God’s love is ever constant in our lives.

On this day, we would talk of all that is ours.

Grace upon grace has been poured into our lives.

On this day, we would speak of what we believe.

We will sing glad songs for all that God has done.

*Hymn: "O Lord my God! / How great Thou Art" **332**
Prayer of Adoration
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

EQUIPPING

Prayer of Understanding
First Reading: Ezekiel 36:24-28
One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.
Responsive Reading: Psalm 138
*I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;*
**² I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love
and your faithfulness;
for you have exalted your name and your word
above everything.**
*³ On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul.*
**⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.**
*⁵ They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.*
**⁶ For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;
but the haughty he perceives from far away.**
*⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.*
**⁸ The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

Solo: Diana Carr
The Sacrament of Baptism
*Aaronic Blessing (sung) **619**
(Last phrase should be "give you peace")
Gospel: Mark 3:20-35
One: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.
*Hymn: "The church's one foundation" **479**
Sermon: "Being Crazy"

Solo: Rev. Marianne Emig Carr

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
Anthem: *Alles in Eitel*
Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" **830**
Offertory Prayer
Announcements
Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

SENDING

*Hymn: "Child of blessing, child of promise" **521**
*Benediction (... be with you all. **And also with you.**)
Postlude:

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

THIS WEEK – (July 15-22)

Today	10:30 am	Worship
	11:30 pm	Refreshments
Friday		David's Place -
Sunday	10:30 am	Worship

A warm welcome to the Rev. Barry Carr, minister of St. Andrew's, Carleton Place, Ontario, as he celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism for his grandson, Valor. We welcome also Diana Carr and the Rev. Marianne Emig Carr, minister of First Church, Brockville, Ontario and thank them for their offering of music.

Services during July and August will be at **10:30 a.m.** with the following schedule:

July - all services at Saint David's. First Baptist & St. John's United will join us July 29

August 5 - at Saint David's with First & St. John's joining us. Communion

August 12 & 19 - at First Baptist with St. John's United

August 26 - at Saint David's

There will be no 9 a.m. service during the summer.

For the last few months since Kenn's retirement, Andrew Lappin has been preparing the weekly bulletin. Unfortunately he is moving to Ontario so we need a new person willing to take on this task. There is a template available and the minister will provide the relevant details to be inserted. There are copy and paste resources for other items we currently use such as the Mission Moments, Prayer Partnership and Stewardship notes on the back page and the text of the scripture readings. Along with putting the bulletin together, you would be responsible for printing the appropriate number of copies for both services. If you are interested, please contact Phyllis Morrison at 429-4353 or Valerie Macdonald 455-1893.

Three Sundays each year, volunteers from Saint David's and Calvin Presbyterian churches prepare 16 casseroles for about 300 vulnerable people in Halifax. Our next date is July 22. If you would like to take part in this mission to our community, please call Nicole Watkins Campbell at 902-422-5878 or email jncampbell@eastlink.ca. We would love to have you help.

Refreshment hosts are needed for July and for August 5th and 26th. Please see Phyllis to sign up. For the summer lemonade or some juice and nice store-bought cookies are fine. No need to get elaborate. Thanks.

A noon-time organ recital will be given by James Burchill at the Cathedral Church of All Saints, 1330 Cathedral Lane (formerly Martello Street and Tower Road), Halifax, on **Wednesday 18 July 2018 at 12.10 pm**. The recital will last about 50 minutes and a collection in aid of the Organ Restoration Fund will be received. The programme will consist of a selection of variations by Felix Mendelssohn, William Felton, Jehan Alain, John Amner and Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck.

Now that the Al Saghrji family have begun to settle in, and they have acquired considerable English skills, Saeed is eager to find meaningful work so he may earn a living in Nova Scotia and make a meaningful contribution to their adopted country. He does have many years of Middle Eastern work experience in both Syria and Lebanon as a full-cycle accountant. Even if you yourself have no

employment opportunities at your own business, you may know of a position coming up elsewhere. If you would like to consider his resume, or share it with business contacts, please email Saeed at saeedsag73@gmail.com. Blessings for your continued support of “our” New Canadians!

This August, St. Johns United Church is excited to host the GO Project Childrens' Adventure Camp for a week of fun, crafts, volunteering, and serving God in our community. This is for children who are entering grades 2 to grades 7. This year, the theme is John 6:1-14, the Loaves and the Fishes. Through this story we will be exploring the gifts that each of us have to offer to our communities, our families, ourselves, and God! If you are interested in learning more check us out at www.thegoproject.ca or contact your minister to learn more; but hurry, limited space is available! This camp will run daily from **August 7-10**. The cost per participant is \$125.

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**Ezekiel 36:24-28** I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

**Mark 3:20-35** and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided

against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”