



PASTORAL CARE

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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS: Putting faith into action

Presbyterians across Canada share in the mission and ministry of The Presbyterian Church in Canada through gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*. These gifts put faith into action by embracing local, national and international mission work; providing tools for faithful ministry; engaging in evangelism, outreach and discipleship; supporting biblical and theological reflection and dialogue; living out God's call to justice; engaging in healing and reconciliation; empowering youth – and so much more! When we work together, we can accomplish far more than we ever could individually. Together, we are making a difference. "Mission and ministry are very much alive in the world and our church," says Karen Plater, Associate Secretary for Stewardship & Planned Giving. "All of this is made possible by your generous gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*."

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - A Prayer for Orange Shirt Day

God of love, we open our ears, hearts and minds to the stories of residential school survivors. We give thanks for the courage of survivors to tell hard truths. Help us to learn from our past as we commit to walking in new ways towards reconciliation. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP - Those who trust in their riches will wither, but the righteous will flourish like green leaves. *Proverbs 11:28*



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.



Grafton Street at
Halifax, N.S.

Blowers,

Interim Moderator: Iona MacLean
Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald
Organist: Nick Veltmeyer

WELCOME!

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.

19th Sunday after Pentecost - September 30, 2018

Presbyterians Sharing Sunday

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING



Prelude

Introit: *Bonus est Dominus* - G. P. da Palestrina

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship: *from Living Faith 9.1*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

As God sent Christ to us, so Christ sends us into the world.

We proclaim Christ in word and action.

Mission is service, a call to help people in need and to permeate all life with the compassion of God.

We worship the living God.

*Hymn: O sing a new song to the Lord

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Prayer of Adoration: *(said together)*

Ever faithful God, your call to us is grace itself;

your word to us is hope and life;
your gift to us is Jesus Christ--
risen and redeeming your whole Creation.
We come together joyfully;
we come together to honour your work in our midst,
we come to worship you as the calling Creator,
the sending Christ, and the guiding Holy Spirit.
Lead us now by your Spirit
that we might see the sacred in one another
and so bring your kingdom closer.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: (*said responsively*)

What does the Lord require of you? God has told us what is good;

Love justice, seek kindness, walk humbly with God.

So that we might be freed to follow God, we have been given Jesus;

**whose life, death and resurrection
draws us into God's forgiveness.**

Beloved, know that in Christ, you are forgiven.

Open your hearts to God's gift,
and find peace with God and one another.

Thanks be to God! Amen

EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Isaiah 58:6-11

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

² **Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**

³ Know that the LORD is God.

**It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

⁵ **For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Hymn: The church is wherever God's people 484

Community Conversation

The Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

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

Sermon: "On being salt"

*Hymn: We give thee but thine own 661

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *Almighty and Everlasting God* - Orlando Gibbons

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

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

Hymn: God of grace and God of glory 490

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

Postlude

Our worship continues with our service in the world.

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### **Announcements**

**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 is Nicole Watkins Campbell. Our refreshment hosts are Elizabeth Cameron and Marilyn Martin.

### **THIS WEEK – September 30 to October 7**

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| <b>Today</b> | 11 a.m. Worship   |
|              | Noon Refreshments |
| Friday       | David's Place     |
| Sunday       | 9 a.m. Communion  |
|              | 11 a.m. Worship   |

**Today** - Session will meet following worship.

**Refreshments** - Please sign up with Phyllis if you can do refreshments any time this fall. Thanks.

**Isaiah 58:6-11**

<sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the thongs of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?

<sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

<sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

<sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

<sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.

**Mark 9:38-50**

<sup>38</sup>John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to

speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

<sup>42</sup>"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

<sup>49</sup>"For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."



**Introit:** *Bonus est Dominus* - G. P. da Palestrina

*Latin* - Bonus est Dominus sperantibus in eum,  
animae quaerenti illum.

*Translation* - The Lord is good to those that hope in him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

**Anthem:** *Almighty and Everlasting God* - Orlando Gibbons

Almighty and everlasting God,  
mercifully look upon our infirmities,  
and in all our dangers and necessities  
stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.