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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - World Day of Social Justice (Feb. 20)

Ayishetu Abu had not seen her family in eight years. She was living at the Gambaga Outcast Home in Ghana—a shelter for women facing accusations of witchcraft. In many Ghanaian communities, there is a tendency to suspect witchcraft as the cause of crop failure, the death of a child or any other unexplained event. In addition to improving living conditions at the shelter, Presbyterian World Service & Development works to foster social acceptance among these communities and educate village leaders about human rights, mental illness, disabilities and other health issues often mistakenly attributed to witchcraft. To ensure more women like Ayishetu can embrace opportunities that are the right of every person, PWS&D will continue working for justice and peace.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Remember the Rev. Daniel Cho as he visits with congregations and groups during his General Assembly moderatorial year. Give thanks for his compassion as he meets and listens to members across the church.

STEWARDSHIP - Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above. ~James 1:17a

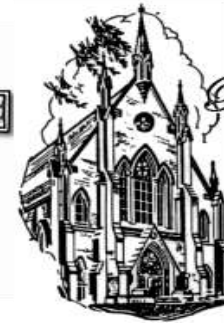


I Breastfeed.

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.



*The
Presbyterian
Church of
Saint
David*

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

Interim Moderator: Iona MacLean

Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald

Interim Organist: Ian Bent; **Choral Director:** Simon Blake

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.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany - February 17, 2019

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING

Prelude



Introit: *How brightly beams the morning star* (Book of Praise 180)

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

**They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.**

*Hymn: How blest are they who, fearing God 1

Prayer of Adoration: (*said together*):

Eternal God, Giver of Life and Sustainer of all creation:

we praise you with awe and gratitude.

**You have shown your infinite love for the world
by sending your Son to bring us new life.**

**Rooted in your love, trusting in your purpose,
living in Christ,
there is nothing that can defeat us.
Praise and glory be to you, O God:
Creator, Redeemer and Comforter, the Three in One.**

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: [adapted from Isa. 43:1]

Now says the Lord who created you:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-10

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

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 1

¹Happy are those
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners tread,
or sit in the seat of scoffers;
²**but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

⁴**The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

⁶**for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

*Hymn: Word of God, across the ages 497

Community Conversation

The Letters: I Corinthians 15:12-22

The Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

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

Sermon: "Like a tree planted by water"

*Hymn: Teach me, O Lord, your way of truth 80

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour* (Book of Praise 541)

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

*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: Jesus, life of all the world 776

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

Postlude

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

**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 Scripture reader is Barend Kamperman. Our refreshment hosts are the Davis Family.

**THIS WEEK – February 17-24**

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| <b>Today</b> | 11 a.m. Worship<br>Noon Refreshments |
| Tuesday      | 7 p.m. Property Committee            |
| Friday       | David's Place                        |
| Sunday       | 9 a.m. Communion; 11 a.m. Worship    |

**Pre-Authorized Remittance for Offering**

Saint David's has 15 persons or families on the PAR program. With PAR you do not have to worry about missing your offering donations because of a snow storm or when you are on holiday or unwell. Each month your donation will come directly from your bank account to Saint David's. The donation amount can be changed at any time. If you are interested in joining PAR, see Mac Fyfe.

## Announcements cont'd

**Sunday, March 3 - Transfiguration Sunday - The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be celebrated at both services, 9 & 11 a.m.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for **March 10** after the 11 a.m. service. In order to have the annual report assembled and ready for distribution on March 3, please have all committee reports or other information sent to Mac Fyfe (Forest.Fyfe@dal.ca) **by Sunday, February 17**. Thank you.

"Gentlemen, get your aprons on. We will again have our popular **Mens' Soup Contest** this year, after worship and before the Annual Meeting on **Sunday, March 10**. Please speak to Gary Smith to register. Ladies, you don't get off easy. Please make sandwiches or sweets to go with the soup. Many thanks!"

### **Attention Children and Youth!**

We need your artwork for **The Presbyterian Church in Canada's 2020 [wall calendar](#)**. Send in drawings and paintings of your church, church events, worship and anything else that inspires you to create! **Deadline Extended: March 22, 2019**

You can mail originals to the office or [email](#) high-resolution images to sbrade@presbyterian.ca.

**Phoenix House** - Once again Saint David's is asked to support the Inter-Denominational **"Food for Phoenix" healthy Snack Programme** for at-risk youth. This is a once-a-year financial contribution for one week's supplies. Cost per week is approximately \$175.00 but any amount is greatly appreciated by Phoenix House. Anyone wishing to contribute toward this programme is asked to give donations to Anne Sommerville (Income Tax Receipts issued).

**Wednesday, Feb. 20** - 7:30 p.m. Barry Cahill will present a **Public Lecture** to the Royal NS Historical Society entitled "Malagash Man: Chief Justice Lorne Clarke and Canadian Judicial Biography" At the NS Archives.

**Join a movement with Streams of Justice!** All are invited to join KAIROS Atlantic from May 2-5, 2019, in ***Streams of Justice***, a diverse, inter-generational gathering at Mount Allison University in Sackville, NB on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. Develop advocacy

skills. Explore the work of KAIROS. Create meaningful connections. People from all ranges of age, experience, ability, background, and faiths are welcomed into this space to continue an active dialogue on Migrant Justice, Ecological Justice, Indigenous Rights, the KAIROS Blanket Exercise, and Women of Courage. The Presbyterian Church in Canada is a member of KAIROS: Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives.

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Jeremiah 17:5-10

⁵ Thus says the LORD:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.
⁶ They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.
⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.
⁹ The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
¹⁰ I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

I Corinthians 15:12-22

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in

vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

Luke 6:17-26

¹⁷ He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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