# Welcome to... The Presbyterian Church of Saint David February 17, 2019

# **Opening Responses:**

L> Happy are those who follow God's ways.

ALL> God's laws are just and merciful.

L> Those who follow God's ways are nourished in faith.

ALL> In all that they do, they grow.

L> Come, let us open our hearts to God's compassionate love.

ALL> Let us celebrate God's mercy and justice.

**Hymn:** Blessed Jesus, at your word 416

**Prayer:** (said together)

O God, light of the hearts that see you,

life of the souls that love you,

strength of the thoughts that seek you:

to turn from you is to fall, to turn to you is to rise,

to abide in you is to stand fast forever.

In this time of worship,

grant us your grace and blessing

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

# RESPONSE in Preparation for the Readings:

L> Listen for the Word that God has spoken;

ALL> Speak, Lord, to our speaking, speak, Lord, to our listening, speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.

The Word of God: Psalm 1
Luke 6:17-26

L> For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

ALL> Thanks be to God.

### Reflection

#### Invitation

## Prayer of Thanksgiving & Blessing, Prayers for Others

#### Communion

**Prayer:** (said together)

Loving God, you opened wide your arms on the cross to give all you had to a broken world.

Being made in your image

and one with Christ through our baptisms,

having been fed with his very self,

we move in faith toward giving all we are, and have,

to serve you.

Bless and embolden us to open our arms wider and wider

in imitation of your love; in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Hymn:** For the bread which you have broken 549

## Blessing:

L> Deep peace of the running wave to you, deep peace of the flowing air to you, deep peace of the quiet earth to you, deep peace of the shining stars to you, deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

ALL> Amen.