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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - Creating community for new Canadians

Life in Christ Ministry provides support and assistance for Arabic and Farsi speaking refugees living in the Greater Toronto Area. Each year, the ministry offers a New Beginnings Training Program that provides practical workshops aimed at helping refugees adapt to local Canadian communities, including learning English and developing other life skills. By offering games and activities for children at the same time as adult workshops, the program responds to the need for parents to attend programs with their children. In addition, the program provides meaningful job opportunities for students and volunteers.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Pray for the PWS&D project in Afghanistan that is educating men about the importance of antenatal medical visits for women and care for newborns.

STEWARDSHIP - Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving.
W.T. Purkiser (1910-1992), preacher, scholar, author

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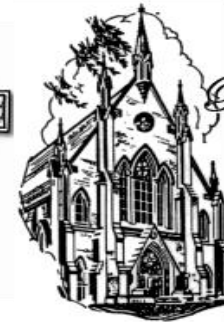


I Breastfeed.

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.

The Sixth Sunday in Lent - April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday - The Passion of our Lord

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING



Prelude

Introit: *Hosanna to the Son of David* - Paul Halley

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

[Please be seated.]

Opening Reading: Luke 19:28-40

*Hymn: Hosanna, loud hosanna 218 (*waving our palms*)

*Call to Worship: (*waving our palms*)

We join the crowds this day to welcome Jesus.

We remember with thanks and look forward with hope.

We join the crowds this day to learn from Jesus' journey.

We remember with thanks and look forward with hope.

We seek courage for the living of these days.

We remember with thanks and look forward with hope.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION (*said responsively*):

We praise you this day, O God,
with singing and palm branches waving.

**We join with all creation and all your people
to thank you for your love for the world.**

Today Jesus entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph
and was proclaimed Messiah and King.

We seek to follow Jesus in joyful service.

We join our voices with the crowd in welcome, saying:

**"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Amen.**

[Congregation is seated.]

Prayer of Confession

Spoken Response: L> Holy God,

**ALL> Holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
have mercy on us.**

Sung Prayer: (Sung twice)

**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

Assurance of Pardon

PWS&D Lenten Liturgy

EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

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

*Hymn: Children of Jerusalem 415

Community Conversation

The Gospel: Dramatic Reading of Luke 23:13-49 (*See Insert*)

Sung Response: Jesus, remember me (*3 times, seated*) 206

Sermon: "Shouting stones"

*Hymn: O Dearest Lord 221

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *I Hunger and Thirst* - Kevin Siegfried

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

*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: When I survey the wondrous cross 231

*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 Val Macdonald. Our PWS&D Lenten Liturgy reader is and Scripture readers are . Our refreshment hosts are The Choir.

#### **THIS WEEK –April 14 to 21**

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| Today   | 11 a.m. Worship<br>Noon Refreshments        |
| Tuesday | 2 p.m. Celebration of Life for Peggy Corkum |
| Friday  | David's Place                               |
| Sunday  | <b>See list below</b>                       |

#### **Holy Week Morning Services with Breakfast**

Everyone is welcome to ecumenical services during Holy Week as listed. All services are at 7:30 am followed by a continental breakfast at 8 am.

**Monday, April 15** - All Saints Cathedral (1330 Cathedral Lane)

**Tuesday, April 16** - First Baptist Church Halifax (1300 Oxford Street)

**Wednesday, April 17** - St. Mary`s Basilica (5221 Spring Garden Road)

#### **Holy Week Services continued:**

**Maundy Thursday, April 18** - 7 p.m. **Communion** at Saint David's in partnership with Calvin Church

**Good Friday, April 19** - 10:30 a.m. **Joint Service** at St. John's United Church, Maritime Conservatory on Chebucto Rd., with First Baptist, St. Andrew's United, and Saint David's.

#### **Easter Services, April 21**

**Easter Sunrise**, 6:15 a.m. at Black Rock Beach, Point Pleasant Park

**Easter Sunday Breakfast Potluck**, 9:30 a.m. at Saint David's

**Easter Sunday 11 a.m. Worship with Communion**

(No 9 a.m. service on April 21)

*Narrator:* There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

*Criminal 1:* “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

*Narrator:* But the other rebuked him, saying,

*Criminal 2:* “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”

*Narrator:* Then he said,

*Criminal 2:* “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

*Narrator:* He replied,

*Jesus:* “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

*Narrator:* It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

*Jesus:* “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

*Narrator:* Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

*Centurion:* “Certainly this man was innocent.”

*Narrator:* And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

*Silence . . . . .*

*Narrator:* Jesus, remember me.

(*Remain seated*) SUNG RESPONSE: **Jesus, remember me** 206 (3x)

## Announcements cont'd

**Today is Food Bank Sunday.** Our guests at David’s Place appreciate all that we share with them, but the following items are particularly useful: toilet paper, grocery bags, canned soups & individual packages of fruit or puddings. We are also preparing for a ban on plastic grocery bags. If you have extra cloth bags, we would be happy to have you consider us. Thank you for your generosity.

**Tuesday, April 16, 2 p.m. - ‘A Celebration of the Life of Winifred (Peggy) Corkum’ at Saint David's.** Members of Symphony Nova Scotia and Musique Royale, as well as members of Saint David's, will share in the service led by Iona. Musicians include Christine Feierabend, *flute*; Suzanne Lemieux, *oboe*; Max Kasper, *double bass*; Ian Bent, *piano*; Janelle Lucyk, *soprano*; and Simon Blake leading Saint David's Choir. Pianist Peter Allen performs Chopin’s *Barcarolle* on the grand piano which Peggy so generously donated to Saint David’s. Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to donate money toward **Easter flowers** please see Phyllis after service. Or if you prefer to buy your own and just lend them to the church for the morning remember please NO LILIES. You may want to bring them a bit early so come for breakfast!

The **2019 KAIROS Atlantic Gathering**, May 2-5 at Mount Allison: public Mass Blanket Exercise with hundreds of people, a daily sunrise service & continuous Sacred Fire, elder care by Andrea Cofler, opening keynote & theological workshops by Executive Director Jennifer Henry, a Latin American feast with global partner Kelly Campo, opportunity to delve deeper into a Stream of KAIROS’ work (acknowledged with a certificate of completion) helped by regional elders & guest speakers, advocacy workshops and more! Children's program available. 40 subsidies left. Details & registration: [www.kairoscanada.org/atlanticgathering](http://www.kairoscanada.org/atlanticgathering)

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| <p><b>The Organ</b> - Work is under way again on the organ upgrade. Currently the new main console is being built. You can help by with a donation of any size to <b>The Organ Upgrade Fund</b>. Thank you for your generosity.</p> <p>~~~~~</p> |
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### **Isaiah 50:4-9a**

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—

wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

<sup>8</sup> he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

<sup>9</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

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

### **Dramatic Reading of Luke 23:13-49**

(Congregation reads the parts in **bold print**.)

*Narrator:* Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

*Pilate:* “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup>I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

*Narrator:* Then they all shouted out together,

*Crowd:* **“Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”**

*Narrator:* (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

*Crowd:* **“Crucify, crucify him!”**

*Narrator:* A third time he said to them,

*Pilate:* “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.”

*Narrator:* But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

*Jesus:* “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

*Narrator:* Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

*Jesus:* “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”

*Narrator:* And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

*Leaders:* **“He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”**

*Narrator:* The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

*Soldiers:* **“If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”**