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# **Our Vision**

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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### MISSION MOMENTS - Giving with generous hearts

Throughout his ministry, Jesus preached on the importance of caring for people living on the margins of society. Responding to a need in their local community, the grant-receiving congregation of St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church in Grand Falls-Windsor, N.L. has constructed a "community clothesline" in their sanctuary. At each of their monthly services, the congregation hangs new adult socks, hats, mitts, scarves and underclothes on the clothesline, which are later distributed by the Salvation Army's Community and Family Services division. At each service, the clothesline cannot hold all of the items due to the generosity of its church members, and extra bins must be set up to collect all of the donations. *Presbyterians Sharing encourages generosity* 

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** - We pray for rural and remote congregations as they serve faithfully in their communities.

**STEWARDSHIP** - The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. *Psalm 24:1a* 

Saint David's is on Facebook and Twitter. Search in the platform for "Saint David's Presbyterian Church Halifax." If you click on "follow" on the church's page in either Facebook or Twitter, you will get updates from the church in your feeds.



**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.



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

Interim Moderator: Iona MacLean
Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald
Summer Accompanist: Brogan Cameron; 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 Pentecost - July 21, 2019

\*Please stand if able

### **GATHERING**

Prelude

Introit: Glory to God on High - Felice de Giardini, arr. Hawryluk

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship: [from Psalm 52]

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever. I will thank God forever, because of what God has done.

In the presence of the faithful I will proclaim God's name, for it is good.

\*Prayer of Adoration: (said together):

Eternal God: you have no beginning and no end. You are new every morning;

when evening comes you have not grown weary. Your faithfulness is sure, your love is everlasting. We lift our hearts and voices to praise you

in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

# to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all glory and honour forever. Amen.

\*Hymn: When morning gilds the skies

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Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

God who made us is with us still and in Jesus Christ has promised to be with us always. Be assured of God's enduring love and forgiveness.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

### **EOUIPPING**

Sung Prayer for Illumination: Open my eyes 500 verse 1 & Refrain First Reading: Amos 8:1-12

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

\*Hymn: Take time to be holy

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Community Conversation The Letters: Colossians 1:15-28 The Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

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

Sermon:

\*Hymn: The church of life, in every age

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Lord, let me know mine end - Maurice Greene (from Psalm 39)

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

\*Offertory Prayer Announcements

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

### **SENDING**

\*Hymn: King of glory, King of peace

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

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 Valerie Macdonald. Our Scripture reader is Nancy Tindall. Our refreshment host is Elizabeth Fraser.

We welcome guest accompanist Songhan Li to our service today. Songhan is a recent graduate in piano major from Dalhousie University. She wants us to know that she loves Bach music and church music and is a Christian. We are grateful for her music gifts today.

# THIS WEEK – July 21 to July 28

**Today** 10:30 a.m. Worship Friday David's Place

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Joint Worship at St. John's United

### **Summer Services**

For July, August and September 1, services will be at 10:30 a.m.

July 28 - Joint service with First Baptist & St. John's United at St. John's, Maritime Conservatory

August 4 - Joint service at First Baptist

August 11 - Joint service at Saint David's

August 18 - Joint service at St. John's

August 25 - Joint service at First Baptist

September 1 - Joint service at Saint David's

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

<u>Tuesdays at Saint David's</u> - Whenever the front doors of the church are open during the summer weekdays, there are people who stop in to visit. This summer, every Tuesday from 12:00 noon until 2:00 pm, two of our members will be on hand to welcome visitors, whether they be residents of Halifax or tourists visiting our city. We will encourage them to enjoy the sanctuary, and to stay for a time of rest, relaxation or prayer.

**Givings Update:** As of June 30th, we have received \$9,608 for *Presbyterians Sharing.* This is 48% of our \$20,000 target to support the wider mission of the church in Canada and globally.

Up to the same date, we have received \$4,429 for *Presbyterian World Service* & Development, for emergency disaster relief and development around the world. Thank you for your generosity to Christ's work in the world.

Jesus, our Lord and God, Bore sin's tremendous load. Praise ye his name.

Tell what his arm has done, What spoils from death he won. Sing his great name alone: Worthy the Lamb!

> Let all the hosts above Join in one song of love, Praising his name.

To him ascribed be Honour and majesty Through all eternity: Worthy the Lamb!

Anthem - Lord, let me know mine end - Maurice Greene (from Psalm 39)

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days: that I may be certified how long I have to live. Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long: and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity. For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain: he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them. And now, Lord, what is my hope: truly my hope is even in thee. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling: hold not thy peace at my tears. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength: before I go hence, and be no more seen.

#### Announcements cont'd

On **Sunday, August 11**, the **Sunday Suppers** group of people from Saint David's and Calvin churches and miscellaneous friends will prepare 16 casseroles for some of the most vulnerable people in Halifax. The recipe is Spaghetti Pie, and it takes about three hours to prepare and deliver hot to Saint Andrews Church on Coburg Road. Anyone who would like to prepare and deliver a casserole can do so by calling Nicole Watkins Campbell, at 902-266-5878.

**Music Fund:** The balance in our music fund is lower than it has been in several years. This fund helps support our wonderful choristers and cover the costs of music supplies. You can make a donation using your offering envelope, or any envelope. Thank you.

The Organ - Work continues on the organ upgrade. At the moment the new main console is being built. You can help by making a donation of any size to The Organ Upgrade Fund. Thank you.

In the summer, Saint David's offering drops because so many donors are away. You can maintain your donations by providing prepared cheques, or by giving a lump sum, or by joining the PAR program. If you want to send an e-transfer, call Mac Fyfe (425-3844) for details.

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## Amos 8:1-12

This is what the Lord GOD showed me—a basket of summer fruit. <sup>2</sup>He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by.

<sup>3</sup>The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day," says the Lord GOD;

"the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!"

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

<sup>5</sup> saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain;

and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,

and practice deceit with false balances, <sup>6</sup> buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." <sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. <sup>8</sup> Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? <sup>9</sup>On that day, says the Lord GOD, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. <sup>10</sup> I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day. <sup>11</sup>The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD. when I will send a famine on the land: not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east: they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.

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

### Colossians 1:15-28

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; <sup>16</sup> for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

<sup>21</sup> And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—
<sup>23</sup> provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

<sup>24</sup>I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. <sup>25</sup>I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

### Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

Introit - Glory to God on High - Felice de Giardini, arr. Hawryluk

Glory to God on high! Let heav'n and earth reply. Praise ye his name. His love and grace adore, Who all our sorrows bore. Sing aloud evermore: Worthy the Lamb!