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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - A healthy start for newborns

In addition to providing skilled and compassionate care during pregnancy and delivery, Presbyterian World Service & Development's maternal, newborn and child health program is improving the well-being of children during their first few years of life through ensuring access to postnatal care and necessary vaccinations. In Afghanistan, Fatima hadn't had her 10-month-old seen by a health worker since the day she was born. She is filled with gratitude for the community health worker who visited her home and told her about the importance of protecting newborns against infection through vaccinations. The health worker also told Fatima that this care is provided at a new PWS&D-supported health facility only two kilometres away. "I would not have known how important vaccinations are for children," shares Fatima. *PWS&D improves health outcomes for children*

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - We pray for school teachers in Afghanistan who are learning to promote girls' and human rights in their lessons, with support from PWS&D.

STEWARDSHIP - The care of the earth is our most ancient and most worthy and, after all, our most pleasing responsibility. To cherish what remains of it, and to foster its renewal, is our only legitimate hope. *Wendall Berry (1934-) Novelist, poet, environmental activist*



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

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.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - August 11, 2019

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING

Prelude: *French Suite No. 2, BWV 813: Allemande* - J.S. Bach

Introit: *How Can I Keep From Singing* - Robert Lowry

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

From the rising of the sun till its setting in the west,

God's holy name be praised.

In the visions of the old and the dreaming of the young,

God's holy name be praised.

Let all that has life and breath praise the Lord.

Amen. We praise the Lord!

*Prayer of Adoration: *(said together)*:

O God, you are the Source of life in all its fullness.

You give courage to those who feel inadequate;

you give strength to those bowed down by life;

you call everyone to freedom and new life.

**We rejoice in your goodness,
we delight in your love,
we praise you for your deeds of salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Hymn: The love of God comes close 474

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.

EQUIPPING

Sung Prayer for Illumination: Open my eyes 500 verse 1 & Refrain

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

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

Responsive Psalm 71:1-6, 17-18, 22-23

¹ In you, O LORD, I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

² **In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.**

³ Be to me a rock of refuge,
a strong fortress, to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.

⁴ **Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**

⁵ For you, O Lord, are my hope,
my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

⁶ **Upon you I have leaned from my birth;
it was you who took me from my mother's womb.
My praise is continually of you.**

¹⁷ O God, from my youth you have taught me,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

¹⁸ **So even to old age and gray hairs,
O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might
to all the generations to come.**

²² I will also praise you with the harp
for your faithfulness, O my God;
I will sing praises to you with the lyre,
O Holy One of Israel.

²³ **My lips will shout for joy
when I sing praises to you;
my soul also, which you have rescued.**

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

*HYMN: Child of blessing, child of promise 521

*AARONIC BLESSING (*sung*) 619

(last phrase should be "**give you peace**")

The Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

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

Sermon: "Lifelong trust in God"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *O Lord God of Hosts* - Thomas Tomkins

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*Offertory Prayer

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SENDING

*Hymn: Now thank we all our God 457

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

Postlude: *Prelude and Fugue No. 15 in G Major, WTC I* - J.S. Bach

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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 Phyllis Morrison. Our Scripture readers are Heather Jane McCormick and Catherine McLeod Reardon, godmothers of baby Michael. Our refreshment host is Lynn Davis.

**We welcome today** as a member of Christ's Church by the **Sacrament of Baptism**, Michael Wilfred DeBlois Keefe, son of Laura Reardon Keefe and David Keefe.

I lift mine eyes; the cloud grows thin;  
I see the blue above it;  
And day by day this pathway smoothes  
Since first I learned to love it:  
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
A fountain ever springing:  
All things are mine since I am His-  
How can I keep from singing?

**Anthem - O Lord God of Hosts - Thomas Tomkins**

O Lord God of hosts,  
Who is like unto thee?  
Thy truth, most mighty Lord,  
Is on every side.

## Announcements cont'd

**THIS WEEK – August 11 to August 18**

|               |                                                      |
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| <b>Today</b>  | 10:30 a.m. Worship & Food Bank Sunday                |
| <b>Friday</b> | David's Place                                        |
| <b>Sunday</b> | 10:30 a.m. <b>Joint Worship at St. John's United</b> |

**Food Bank Sunday:** This is the week we remember our guests at David's Place. While all donations are appreciated and well used, this month we have particular need of ladies' deodorant and light-weight men's socks, as well as the usual toilet paper, canned meat, pasta and sauce, juice, and puddings. Thank you for your donations.

### Summer Services

For 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** followed by an **Ecumenical Picnic**. Bring your own lunch but join together with our companions in Christ.

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

**Tuesdays at Saint David's** - 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.

**Today** 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. Thanks to Nicole Watkins Campbell,

co-ordinator, and to all who offer their time and resources in this ministry of Christ.

**Music Fund:** 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.

***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.

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Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴ Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."
⁶ Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."
⁷ But the LORD said to me,
"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you."
⁸ Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."
⁹ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,
"Now I have put my words in your mouth."
¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

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

Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

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### **Introit - *How Can I Keep From Singing* - Robert Lowry**

My life flows on in endless song;  
Above earth's lamentation  
I hear the sweet though far off hymn  
That hails a new creation:  
Through all the tumult and the strife  
I hear the music ringing;  
It finds and echo in my soul-  
How can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die?  
The Lord my Saviour liveth;  
What though the darkness gather round!  
Songs in the night he giveth:  
No storm can shake my inmost calm  
While to that refuge clinging;  
Since Christ is Lord of Heaven and earth,  
How can I keep from singing?