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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - Presbyterians Sharing: Together we make a difference! New church development. Partnership. International mission staff. Theological colleges. Healing and reconciliation. Leadership development. Congregational support. And so much more! Today is Presbyterians Sharing Sunday, a time to celebrate the impact our church's mission and ministry programs are having across Canada and around the world. As we encourage and equip one another and teach about love, faith and hope, we proclaim the good news of the Gospel.

Presbyterians Sharing puts faith into action

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Today is Presbyterians Sharing Sunday. We give joyful thanks for the faithful generosity of congregations across Canada as we share in mission and ministry together.

STEWARDSHIP - Money never stays with me. It would burn me if it did. I throw it out of my hands as soon as possible, lest it should find its way into my heart. *John Wesley (1703-1791), cleric, theologian*

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.



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

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.

16th Sunday after Pentecost - September 29, 2019

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING

Prelude: *Prelude No. 1 in C Major, BWV 846 WTC I* - J. S. Bach

Introit: *Kyrie* - Mariano Garau

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We are met in the presence of God,

and we do not meet alone.

With the angels in highest heaven,

we gather to worship the Lord.

With the saints of every age,

we gather to worship the Lord.

With the church throughout the world,

we gather to worship the Lord.

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

With joy and hope we come to praise you, O God.

We give you thanks for the lives and stories of those who have gone before us. We celebrate our own lives and stories as your people. We come ready to hear your word and to grow in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn: We praise you, O God 425

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (*responsive*) [I Tim. 1:15, 17]

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

EQUIPPING

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

First Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

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

*Hymn: In the bulb there is a flower 674

Community Conversation

The Letters: I Timothy 6:6-11

The Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

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

Sermon: "Investing in the future"

*Hymn: God is here! as we your people meet 799

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *Jubilate Deo* - Christopher Upton.

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

*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: We have this ministry 590

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

Postlude: *Sonata in D Major, Hob XVI:24, first mvmt.* - F. Haydn

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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 Davida Mackay. Our refreshment host is Jane Brown.

**THIS WEEK – September 29 to October 6**

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| Today  | 11 a.m. Worship<br>Gathering re Young Families |
| Friday | David's Place                                  |
| Sunday | 11 a.m. World Communion Sunday                 |

There will be **no 9 a.m.** service until after Thanksgiving.

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A note from Presbytery: The Presbytery of Halifax and Lunenburg, after careful consideration in consultation with the elders of The Presbyterian Church of Saint David, is pleased to announce that it has appointed The Rev. E.M. Iona MacLean as the **Stated Supply Minister** of the congregation on a half time basis **beginning October 1, 2019** for one year. A Stated Supply appointment is limited to one year but is renewable. Iona will remain as Interim Moderator but in consultation with the Presbytery Special Committee. The Presbytery will arrange for a brief liturgy to recognize this appointment in the near future.

Tuesdays at Saint David's - Given the success of this during the summer, we will continue to open the doors of the church for people who wish to stop in to visit. **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. If you can help with this ministry of hospitality, please speak to Davida Mackay.

Ministry with children, youth and young families - **Today** following worship, we will gather a group of interested people to imagine and discuss the ways in which Saint David's can welcome and nurture the

younger members of our community through a variety of worship and educational experiences.

Announcements cont'd

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. A donation of any size to **The Organ Upgrade Fund** is welcome. Thank you.

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### **Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15**

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

<sup>2</sup>At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, <sup>3</sup>where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

<sup>6</sup>Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>7</sup>Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, “Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.”

<sup>8</sup>Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, “Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.” Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. <sup>10</sup>I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. <sup>11</sup>Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; <sup>12</sup>and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard.

<sup>13</sup>In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, <sup>14</sup>Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. <sup>15</sup>For thus says the LORD of hosts, the

God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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

**I Timothy 6:6-11**

<sup>6</sup> Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; <sup>8</sup> but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these.

<sup>9</sup> But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, person of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

**Luke 16:19-31**

<sup>19</sup> “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup> He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ <sup>30</sup> He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

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

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Introit: *Kyrie* - Mariano Garau

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Anthem: *Jubilate Deo* - Christopher Upton.

O be joyful in the LORD, all ye lands:
serve the LORD with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the LORD he is God;
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.