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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - Connecting with Neighbours

Around the Well is a new missional experiment of the Presbytery of Westminster that reaches out to people living on the University of British Columbia's campus and its surrounding communities. The focus of this ministry is to gather a diverse group of Christians invested in connecting with neighbours as part of their commitment to intentional Christian living. With events that draw people in and initiatives that lead the group out, Around the Well ministry hopes to be a blessing to their community and introduce their neighbours to a life with Christ.

Presbyterians Sharing is reaching out to neighbours

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Pray for Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) partners rebuilding schools devastated by Cyclone Idai in Mozambique so that children may resume their studies.

STEWARDSHIP - As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. *John F. Kennedy (1917-1963), former President of the United States*

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
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.

21st Sunday after Pentecost - November 3, 2019 All Saints Sunday

*Please stand if able

GATHERING

Prelude: Prelude in F Sharp Major, Op. 28 No. 13 - F. Chopin

Introit: Drop, drop slow tears - Orlando Gibbons

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Such a large cloud of witnesses is all around us!

So we must get rid of everything that slows us down. especially the sin that just won't let go.

And we must be determined to run the race that is ahead of us.

We must keep our eyes on Jesus, who leads us and makes our faith complete.

[Heb. 12:1-2a Contemporary English Version]

*Prayer of Adoration: (said together):

O God, we are truly glad to be your people and to be part of the great crowd of faithful people in every generation and place. We praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved kindness, and walked humbly with you, their God.
We praise you for the ones we have known and loved, and for the ones we do not know, for all are known and loved by you.
Help us to be faithful like them and to follow your Son Jesus with joy and courage.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: Ye holy angels bright

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Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

God loves us more than we can ever imagine.

We are forgiven and we can begin again. Thanks be to God!

EQUIPPING

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

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

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

*Hymn: One more step along the world I go 641

Community Conversation

The Letters: II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

The Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

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

Sermon: "Faith up a tree"

*Hymn: How clear is our vocation, Lord 649

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Agnus Dei - Samuel Webbe

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

*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: Lead on, O King eternal

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

Postlude: Invention No. 13 in A minor - J. S. Bach

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 Don Knox. Our Scripture reader is Mac Fyfe. Our refreshment host is The Choir.

THIS WEEK – November 3 to 10

Today 11 a.m. Worship

Wednesday 5-6 p.m. The Agape Rainbow Group Bible Study

Friday David's Place Sunday 9 a.m. Communion

11 a.m. Worship & Food Bank Sunday

Agape Rainbow Group is a new venture in Bible study approved by Session and organized by Barend Kamperman for the LGBTQ community. It will meet beginning **November 6** for four weeks on Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m. at Saint David's.

Next week, November 10, is Food Bank Sunday. Your donations of toilet paper, puddings, juice, jam, cereal, pasta and sauce, soups and canned fruits and vegetables are much appreciated by our guests. Many of you contributed the condiments for our four BBQ's over the summer months. We thank you for helping to reduce that ongoing expense. We regularly have salads and soups as part of our meals, so we go through a lot of salad dressing and the large packages of broth (Chicken or beef reduced salt). If you would like to help reduce that expense our shoppers would be grateful. Two fewer things to search out and get to the church. Thank you!

Christmas Tea and Sale: Iona Presbyterian Church, 90 Lucien Drive Dartmouth, **Saturday, November 9** 2-4 pm. Adults \$7, Children 5 and under \$3. For further information please call Pat at 435-6789.

Calvin Presbyterian Church is hosting a **Ham & Bean/Chili Supper** on **Saturday, November 23rd**. 3311 Ashburn Avenue, Halifax Take-out Pick-up between 4:00 – 4:30 pm and Dine in between 5:00 – 6:30 pm. Price is \$10 and includes dessert and tea/coffee. To order tickets, call or text Pam MacFarlane at 902 489 7874

Announcements cont'd

Carols and Hot Chocolate to Go! - Saturday, November 16, 5 p.m.

Saint David's will open the doors an hour before the Parade of Lights begins for people to sing some carols and take hot chocolate with them to the parade. Everyone welcome! This event is an expression of our growing understanding of "mission as host."

Tuesdays at Saint David's - Every Tuesday from 12:00 noon until 2:00 pm, we welcome visitors, whether they be residents of Halifax or tourists visiting our city, 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.

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

²Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

³ For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.
⁴Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

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

II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³ We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. ⁴ Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

¹¹To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to

this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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

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Introit: Drop, drop slow tears - Orlando Gibbons

Drop, drop slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heav'n the news and Prince of peace.

> Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

**Anthem:** Agnus Dei - Samuel Webbe

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.