



## PASTORAL CARE

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## Our Vision

### *A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community*

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**MISSION MOMENTS - PWS&D Sunday** - Inspired by God's promise of abundant life, PWS&D envisions a sustainable, compassionate and just world. On February 2, we celebrate PWS&D and the meaningful work being done around the world to bring hope to those experiencing poverty, hunger and oppression. Farmers and their families in Haiti, Nicaragua and Pakistan are learning innovative farming practices to help cope with a changing climate and rise above hunger. Maternal and child mortality rates continue to decrease in Malawi and Afghanistan. Refugees have received support overseas and been welcomed to new homes in Canada. These stories of transformation are possible because of the generosity of Presbyterians across Canada. Thank you!

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** - We pray for the Rev. Jeanie Lee, new mission staff in Hungary. May she be blessed with many new friendships, and may she be a blessing to those around her.

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS** - The only right stewardship is that which is tested by the rule of love. *John Calvin (1509-1564), French theologian, reformer, pastor*

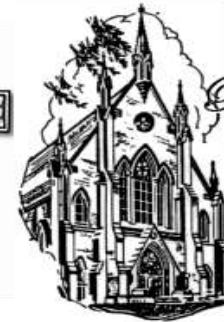
**Saint David's is on Facebook and Twitter.** Search in the platform for "Saint David's Presbyterian Church Halifax." If you click on "follow" on the church's page in either Facebook or Twitter, you will get updates from the church in your feeds.



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.*

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany - February 2, 2020**  
**Presbyterian World Service & Development Sunday**

*\*Please stand if able*

## GATHERING



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

Introit: *The Lord th' Almighty monarch spake* - Haydn

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship: [*Matthew 5:6-7, 9*]

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
**for they will be filled.**

Blessed are the merciful,  
**for they will receive mercy.**

Blessed are the peacemakers,  
**for they will be called the children of God.**

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

**Holy God, you call us to worship you  
not just in the sanctuary but in our daily lives.  
We come before you in awe and wonder,**

honouring you for your justice, kindness and humility  
revealed in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
May we praise you with all that we are and have  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

\*Hymn: O God beyond all praising 448

Prayer of Confession

*Response:* One: Jesus, Lamb of God, **All: have mercy on us.**

Assurance of Pardon: (from *Living Faith* 3.6.1)

Here is the good news of the Gospel!

Jesus Christ is the elect one, chosen for our salvation.

**In him we are made acceptable to God.  
Before the world was made we were chosen in Christ  
to be part of the family of God.  
Glory and thanksgiving be to our God! Amen.**

### EQUIPPING

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Micah 6:1-8

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

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 15**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> **Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,  
and speak the truth from their heart;**

<sup>3</sup> who do not slander with their tongue,  
and do no evil to their friends,  
nor take up a reproach against their neighbours;

<sup>4</sup> **in whose eyes the wicked are despised,  
but who honor those who fear the LORD;**

**who stand by their oath even to their hurt;**

<sup>5</sup> who do not lend money at interest,  
and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

**Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

\*Hymn: Make me a channel of your peace 740

Community Conversation

The Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

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

Sermon: "Peacemaking"

\*Hymn: For the healing of the nations 736

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *My eyes for beauty pine* - Herbert Howells

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

\*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

### SENDING

\*Hymn: Where cross the crowded ways of life 760

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

Postlude: *Sonata in D Major, Hob. XVI:24, 1st 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 Phyllis Morrison.

### **THIS WEEK – February 2 to 9**

|              |                                                        |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Today</b> | 11 a.m. Worship<br>Noon Refreshments                   |
| Friday       | David's Place                                          |
| Sunday       | 9 a.m. Communion<br>11 a.m. Worship & Food Bank Sunday |

The **New Beginnings Conversation** will take place on **Sunday, February 16**. This coincides with the annual Soup Contest so following worship we will enjoy wonderful soup during our chat. The New Beginnings leaders have drawn from previous congregational input to create the Saint David's Future Story. It will be sent out for you to read ahead of the 16th and we will have an opportunity on that day to offer reflection and comments on it. This is all part of our on-going effort to discover what God is calling Saint David's to do and be.

**Anthem:** *My eyes for beauty pine* - Herbert Howells

My eyes for beauty pine,  
My soul for Goddës grace:  
No other care nor hope is mine,  
To heaven I turn my face.  
One splendour thence is shed  
>From all the stars above:  
'Tis named when God's name is said,  
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.  
And every gentle heart,  
That burns with true desire,  
Is lit from eyes that mirror part  
Of that celestial fire.

**Announcements cont'd**

**Annual Report:** The Annual Congregational meeting is scheduled for **March 8**. As we would like to have the Report available for you on March 1, which will be Communion Sunday, all those who will be submitting reports should have them to Valerie Macdonald **by Sunday February 16** so that the report can be assembled.

**Next week, February 9, is Food Bank Sunday.** We are looking for the usual toilet paper, canned soup, beans, fruit, individual puddings, cereal, pasta and sauce, juice, tea, chicken or beef broth, and condiments. While February 9 is officially food bank Sunday, we are happy to accept your donations at any time that is convenient for you. Our guests are most appreciative of all your support. Did you know that each week we supplement what we receive from Feed NS with 12 loaves of bread? We also go through 2 dozen hard boiled eggs, tea biscuits and cheese if we have it, each week that our early arrivals enjoy before the main meal. The bread, eggs, and tea biscuits are all provided by our volunteers.

**Our Givings to Mission** - On Friday January 3rd, a cheque was sent by express mail from Saint David's to The Presbyterian Church in Canada offices at 50 Wynford Drive in Toronto. This cheque brought our 2019 total for **Presbyterians Sharing to \$16,923** (84.6% of our target) and our 2019 total for **Presbyterian World Service & Development to \$7,584**. Thank you all for your generosity.

**Saint David's and Calvin Presbyterian** are scheduled to take part in **Sunday suppers today**. This outreach provides a warm meal and fellowship to nearly 300 vulnerable Haligonians each week. Thank you to all those who contribute to this important mission.

The **QEII Health Sciences Centre** is recruiting **volunteers** for a variety of programs supporting patients, Veterans and the public in finding their way at the VG and Halifax Infirmiry sites, recreation activities, meal assistance and others. There are a variety of days and times available. To learn more, please contact Volunteer Services at 902-473-2457 or go to [www.nshealth.ca/volunteer](http://www.nshealth.ca/volunteer).

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### **Micah 6:1-8**

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

<sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup>O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

<sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup>Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

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

### **Matthew 5:1-12**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

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**Introit:** *The Lord th' Almighty monarch spake* - Haydn

The Lord th' Almighty Monarch spake,  
And bade the earth the summons take,  
Far as his eyes the realms survey,  
Of rising and declining day.

Revealed from Sion's sacred bound,  
The seat with matchless beauty crowned,  
Our God his course shall downward bend,  
Nor silent to his work descend.

Heav'n from above shall hear his call,  
And thou the vast terrestrial ball,  
While man's whole race their Judge shall meet,  
In countless throngs be fore his feet.

Th'applauding heav'ns the changeless doom,  
While God the balance shall assume,  
In full memorial shall record,  
And own the justice of the Lord.