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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - Community outreach

West Toronto's St. Andrew's Islington Presbyterian Church has begun a new missional experiment called *Intersection* that seeks to reach out to people living in their community. This ministry invites people who have never been to church and may not feel comfortable stepping inside a church building to experience worship in a way that is more comfortable for them. The church is introducing neighbours to Christ by hosting events in everyday places such as retail spaces and condo party rooms. They hope to bless their neighbours by offering ESL meet ups, a senior's drop-in café, divorce care groups, and parenting support programs.

Presbyterians Sharing reaches out in new ways

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Give thanks for the dedication of the staff and volunteers of food banks, women's shelters, breakfast and lunch programs, and other local outreach projects.

STEWARDSHIP - If you have been blessed with a great deal, then you have a lot of giving to do. *Johnnetta B. Cole (1936 -), anthropologist, college president*

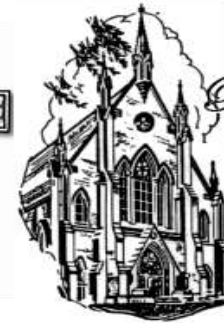
Saint David's is on Facebook and Twitter. Search in the platform for "Saint David's Presbyterian Church Halifax." If you click on "follow" on the church's page in either Facebook or Twitter, you will get updates from the church in your feeds.



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.

The First Sunday in Lent - March 1, 2020

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING

Prelude: *Largo* - G.F. Handel

Introit: *O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us* - David Cameron

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship: [*Isaiah 55:6-7*]

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,

call upon him while he is near;

let the wicked forsake their way,

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn: How blest are they whose trespass

17 verses 1,2,3

Prayer of Confession: (*said together*)

Living God, we confess our faults and admit our frailty;

we own our brokenness and recognize the ways we wound

our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world.
By your abundant grace forgive us,
renew us in mind and in spirit,
and enable us to grow in love.
Move among us and give us life;
with the spirit of freedom sustain us
that our worship may be joyful and our witness faithful;
in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Sung Prayer:

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Assurance of Pardon

PWS&D Lenten Liturgy

EQUIPPING

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: 494

Lord, be thy word my rule; in it may I rejoice,
thy glory be my aim, thy holy will, my choice,
thy promises my hope, thy providence my guard,
thine arm my strong support, thy self my great reward.

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

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

*Hymn: Breathe on me, breath of God 389

Community Conversation

The Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

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

Sermon: "Wilderness wisdom"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Announcements

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

*Hymn: O holy Father, God most dear 529

The Offering

Anthem: *Teach me, O Lord* - Thomas Attwood

*Doxology (830), Apostle's Creed (539), Prayer of Dedication

The Peace: (Response - *And also with you.*)

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving: 564

including The Lord's Prayer (*Ecumenical Version*)

Breaking the Bread, Lifting The Cup

Communion

The Grace (Response - *And also with you.*), Prayer

SENDING

*Hymn: For the bread which you have broken 549

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

Postlude: *Sonata No. 15 in D major, Op. 28 ("Pastorale"), 4th mvmt.* Beethoven

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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 Nancy Tindall. Lenten Liturgy readers are Jillian, Erin and Alison Hope and Scripture reader is Anne Sommerville. Our refreshment host is Linda MacLeod.

#### **THIS WEEK – March 1 to 8**

|        |                                                                                                     |
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| Today  | 11 a.m. First Sunday in Lent Worship with Communion<br>Gathering re Young Families                  |
| Friday | David's Place                                                                                       |
| Sunday | 9 a.m. Communion<br>11 a.m. Worship followed by Annual Meeting, Lunch provided.<br>Food Bank Sunday |

Following the service today, parents and others interested in **ministry with young families** will gather to make plans for the next seasonal event & Sunday School.

**Sunday, March 8 - 2nd Sunday in Lent - Annual Congregational Meeting** following the service. Pizza Lunch provided. Donation basket will be available. Annual reports are available today.

**Inner Space Concerts** presents Sextet Sells, a chamber music concert, in **Saint David's sanctuary** on **Tuesday March 3 at 7:30 pm**. Tickets available at the door. Price for church members is \$20. Regular price \$43. Fifth Wind (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn) partners with Simon Docking on the piano to present a French-American love affair. The program features the most coveted work for sextets by French composer Francis Poulenc and the iconic Rhapsody in Blue by American pianist and composer George Gershwin.

## Announcements cont'd

**Next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday.** Toilet paper, canned fruit, beans, vegetables, soup, meat and fish, individual packets of hot chocolate, oatmeal, cereal, puddings, juices, pasta and sauce are always appreciated by our guests at **David's Place**. Condiments are useful for the meals. Sugar and substitute packages are very useful as well. Did you know that each week we use between 4 and 6 litres of milk and between 6 and 10 litres of juice, plus fruit trays with apples, oranges, bananas and grapes?

**The Organ** - After some delay, the work continues on the organ upgrade. We would be very grateful for your donation of any size to **The Organ Upgrade Fund**. Thank you.

**Canada Youth 2020 "No End in Sight" July 6-11, 2020** - *Youth Track* (high-schoolers graduated Grade 9+), *Discipleship Track* (young adults 19-25), *Leadership Track* (clergy, lay, paid, volunteer) This biannual gathering at Brock University, St. Catharines ON joins hundreds of youth, young adults and leaders from across The Presbyterian Church in Canada and guests from around the world to celebrate their vibrant faith. Come to be invigorated, engaged and encouraged through God's word and by God's people! Some grant money is available through the Presbytery. Check out the details at [presbyterian.ca/cy](http://presbyterian.ca/cy)

The Mental Health Foundation of Nova Scotia invites you to **"A Different Stage of Mind: 20/20 in 2020 A Vision for Mental Health"** **March 6, 8 p.m.** at the Halifax Convention Centre. Community leaders take the stage in support of Nova Scotians living with mental illness. You can sponsor these leaders in their fundraising by donations or buying tickets to the event. For details go to <https://www.mentalhealthns.ca/a-different-stage-of-mind>

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Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him."

¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

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**Introit:** *O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us* - David Cameron

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us  
and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an earnest desire to pray,  
may by thy mighty power be defended  
and comforted in all dangers and adversities  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anthem:** *Teach me, O Lord* - Thomas Attwood

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes:  
and I shall keep it unto the end.