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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - Blessed are the peacemakers

Shaun MacDonald was inspired to be an instrument of God's peace by the prayer of St. Francis. He decided to put that into action by serving as an Ecumenical Accompanier in Hebron, Palestine. From October 2019 to January 2020, Shaun provided a protective presence, monitored human rights violations, and supported local peace and human rights groups as he witnessed life under occupation. Most importantly, he visited Palestinian families and shop keepers to learn their stories so he could share them with Canadians upon his return. The World Council of Churches created the Ecumenical Accompaniment Program in Palestine and Israel in 2002. Since then, over 1,800 accompaniers from 22 countries have participated. Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support this important ministry. *Presbyterians Sharing promotes peace in the Middle East*

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - Please pray for the faculty of Knox College as they develop new programs of theological education for the church.

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.

Third Sunday in Lent - March 15, 2020

**Please stand if able*

GATHERING

Prelude: *Prelude No.1 in C Major, BWV846, WTC 1*



Bach

Introit: "Prayer to Jesus" George Oldroyd

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn: Oh come and sing unto the Lord

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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: Ezekiel 17:1-7

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

Responsive Reading Psalm 95

¹ O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷ For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!

⁸ Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

⁹ when your ancestors tested me,

and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

¹⁰ For forty years I loathed that generation

and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray,
and they do not regard my ways."

¹¹ Therefore in my anger I swore,

"They shall not enter my rest."

*Hymn: All the way my Saviour leads me 699

Community Conversation

The Gospel: John 4:5-42

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

Sermon: "Water of life"

*Hymn: From the slave pens of the delta 754

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: "Turn thy Face from my Sins" Thomas Attwood

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

*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say 671

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

Postlude: *Sonata in D Major, Hob XVI 24*

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 Valerie Macdonald. Lenten Liturgy reader is John Wamboldt. Scripture reader is Mac Fyfe. The choir is hosting refreshment time. **We welcome** to Saint David's the Rev. Sydney McDonald as our pulpit supply today. Sydney is a retired Presbyterian minister who served charges in Ontario, Alberta and at Calvin Church, Halifax.

## Announcements cont'd

**THIS WEEK – March 15 to 22**

Introit:

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought,  
Be Thou my love and all my thought,  
And help that I may to Thee be brought,  
Without Thee I may do nought.

Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will,  
And nothing is that Thee may let,  
With Thy grace my heart fulfil,  
My love and my liking in Thee is set.

Jhesu at Thy will I pray that I might be,  
All my heart fulfil,  
with perfect love to Thee.

That I have done ill Jhesu forgive Thou me,  
And suffer me never to spill

Jhesu for pity

Amen.

Anthem:

Turn thy face from my sins,  
and put out all my misdeeds.  
Make me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from thy presence,  
and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

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| <b>Today</b> | 11 a.m. Third Sunday in Lent Worship |
| Friday       | David's Place                        |
| Sunday       | 9 a.m. Communion<br>11 a.m. Worship  |

**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.

**Ecumenical services for Holy Week - 7:30 am.** The services last about half an hour and a continental breakfast follows:

**Monday, April 6** at All Saints Cathedral

**Tuesday, April 7** at First Baptist

**Wednesday, April 8** at St Mary's Cathedral Basilica

**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)

If you enjoyed the pizza last Sunday please think of giving some business to Rugova's Pizza just down the hill on Blowers Street. All the pizza shops in a few blocks area were charging between \$201 to \$213 taxes in. Rugova's gave it to us for \$150 tax in. He was probably hoping he might get some repeat business. Support the locals instead of Pizza Hut or Boston Pizza!

### Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" <sup>3</sup>But

the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?"<sup>4</sup> So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."<sup>5</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go."<sup>6</sup> I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel.<sup>7</sup> He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

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

### **John 4:5-42**

<sup>5</sup> So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.<sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.<sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."<sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)<sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."<sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"<sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"<sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,<sup>14</sup> but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."<sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."<sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband';<sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"<sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet."<sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman,

believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem."<sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews."<sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him."<sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."<sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."<sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

<sup>27</sup> Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"<sup>28</sup> Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,<sup>29</sup> "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"<sup>30</sup> They left the city and were on their way to him.

<sup>31</sup> Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something."<sup>32</sup> But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."<sup>33</sup> So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?"<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work."<sup>35</sup> Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting."<sup>36</sup> The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together."<sup>37</sup> For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.'<sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

<sup>39</sup> Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done."<sup>40</sup> So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days.<sup>41</sup> And many more believed because of his word.<sup>42</sup> They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the World."

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