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# **Our Vision**

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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#### **MISSION MOMENTS - Canadians care!**

As we mark Canada Day, let us also celebrate Canada's contributions around the world. International aid plays an important role in addressing poverty, hunger and inequality in vulnerable countries. Support from the Government of Canada for PWS&D's maternal, newborn and child health program in Afghanistan and Malawi maximizes Presbyterian contributions to projects delivering life-saving healthcare to mothers and babies. Let's continue sharing Canadian compassion and generosity throughout the world. Through the I Care campaign, Canadians can sign a postcard addressed to the prime minister, letting him know that they care about and support Canada's role in ending global hunger and poverty. PWS&D shares God's love beyond our borders

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** - We pray for seminary students who serve in rural and remote congregations this summer as they learn ways to serve God and the church faithfully.

**STEWARDSHIP** - The happiest people on earth are the people who have discovered the joy of giving. *Unknown* 

**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.

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Clerk of Session: Valerie Macdonald
Summer 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 after Pentecost - June 30, 2019

\*Please stand if able

#### **GATHERING**

Prelude: Canon in D - Pachelbel

Introit: The Lord, th'Almighty Monarch spake - Joseph Haydn

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us worship the eternal God, the Source of love and life, who creates us.

Let us worship Jesus Christ, the Risen One, who lives among us.

Let us worship the Spirit, the Holy Fire, who renews us.

ALL> To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ!

\*Prayer of Adoration: [based on Ps. 77] (said together):

Your way, O God, is holy.

You are the God who works wonders; you have displayed your might among the peoples.

With your strong arm you redeemed your people. We call to mind your deeds, O Lord. We meditate on all your work and muse on your mighty deeds. We are filled with awe and praise for your creative power and your unending love made known especially through your Son Jesus Christ our Saviour and by the teaching of your Spirit. All glory be to you, O God. Amen.

\*Hymn: God, who stretched the spangled heavens 305

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

God who made us is with us still and in Jesus Christ has promised to be with us always. Be assured of God's enduring love and forgiveness.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### **EQUIPPING**

Sung Prayer for Illumination: Open my eyes 500 verse 1 & Refrain First Reading: II Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

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

\*Hymn: O Master, let me walk with thee

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Community Conversation

The Letters: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

The Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

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

Sermon: "Called to freedom"

\*Hymn: For the healing of the nations 736

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: The Song of the Tree of Life - Vaughan Williams

\*Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" <u>830</u>

\*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

#### **SENDING**

\*Hymn: From ocean unto ocean

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

Postlude: Prelude No. 9 in. E Major, WTC I - 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 Nancy Tindall. Our Scripture reader is Davida Mackay. Our refreshment hosts are Val and Rod Macdonald.

# THIS WEEK – June 30 to July 7

**Today** 11 a.m. Worship

Friday David's Place

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship (No 9 a.m. service)

#### **Summer Services**

For July, August and September 1, services will be at 10:30 a.m.

July 7, 14, 21 - Saint David's

July 28 - Joint service with First Baptist & St. John's United at St.

John's, Maritime Conservatory

August 4 - Joint service at First Baptist

August 11 - Joint service at Saint David's

August 18 - Joint service at St. John's

August 25 - Joint service at First Baptist

September 1 - Joint service at Saint David's

There will be **no 9 a.m.** service during the summer.

Saint David's will be walking in the **Pride Parade** again this year with St. Matthews and other churches, **Saturday July 20**. We would like a good participation. If you can't walk the full distance then maybe we can arrange a relay--people walking a mile or 1/2 mile and passing on to someone else along the route. Please see Barend Kamperman or Phyllis Morrison if you can join us or if you would like more information. Thank you.

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**Anthem -** The Song of the Tree of Life by Vaughan Williams (adapted from The Book of Revelation)

Unto him that overcometh shall be given of the Tree of Life which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.

On either side of the river groweth the Tree of Life, the Leaves of the Tree are for thy healing.

In the midst of that fair City flows the river of Water of Life clear as crystal.

Who so will, let him take of the Water of Life freely.

Whoso drinketh of this water shall never thirst. Take thou the Leaves of the Tree of Life.

So shalt thou enter in through the Gates of the City.

#### Announcements cont'd

**Graduates:** Congratulations! to Kelsey Webb who graduated from Law School and Caitlin MacKeigan who graduated from Mount Royal University with her Bachelor of Interior Design.

<u>Tuesdays at Saint David's</u> - Whenever the front doors of the church are open during the summer weekdays, there are people who stop in to visit. This summer, **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.

**The Organ** - Work is under way once again on the organ upgrade. At the moment the new main console is being built. You can help by making a donation of any size to **The Organ Upgrade Fund**. Thank you.

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### II Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup> Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.
<sup>9</sup> When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." <sup>10</sup> He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." <sup>11</sup> As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup> Elisha kept watching and crying out,

"Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

<sup>13</sup> He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. <sup>14</sup> He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

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

### Galatians 5:1, 13-25

<sup>1</sup> For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. <sup>14</sup> For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>15</sup> If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

<sup>16</sup> Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup> For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. <sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. <sup>19</sup> Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, <sup>21</sup> envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup> By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. <sup>24</sup> And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

# Luke 9: 51-62

<sup>51</sup> When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they

entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup> But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then they went on to another village. <sup>57</sup> As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup> To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." <sup>61</sup> Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup> Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

Introit - The Lord, th'Almighty Monarch spake - Joseph Haydn (from James Merrick's paraphrase of Psalm 50)

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 before 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.