

Welcome to
The Presbyterian Church of Saint David
21st Sunday after Pentecost - November 3, 2019

Opening Responses:

Since we are surrounded
by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us lay aside every weight
and sin that clings so closely.

**Let us run with perseverance
the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus
the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.**

Prayer of Adoration: (said together)

**Eternal Creator, refuge and strength
of your people in all ages:
one generation has praised you to another,
telling of your faithfulness and love.
We worship you now,
rejoicing in the communion of saints
and praising your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn: Come, let us sing 706

RESPONSE in Preparation for the Readings:

L> Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God
as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

ALL> Our hearts and minds are open.

The Word of God: *Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4*
Luke 19:1-10

One> *This is the word of the Lord.* **ALL> Thanks be to God.**

Reflection

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Blessing, Prayers for Others

Communion

Prayer: *(said together)*

**Loving God, thank you for bringing us
into communion with our risen Saviour,
and with all who love him in heaven and on earth.
So strengthen us in your service
that our daily living may show our thanks,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn: For the bread which you have broken 549

Blessing:

L> God sends us into the world, to accept the cost
and discover the joy of discipleship.
Therefore go--- carrying with you the peace of Christ,
the love of God, and the encouragement of the Holy Spirit,
in trial and rejoicing.

All> Amen

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

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?

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

<sup>4</sup> So 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.

<sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.

## Luke 19:1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. <sup>2</sup> A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. <sup>3</sup> He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. <sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. <sup>5</sup> 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." <sup>6</sup> So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. <sup>7</sup> All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." <sup>8</sup> 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." <sup>9</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."