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Our Vision

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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MISSION MOMENTS - A healthier future

November 19 is World Toilet Day. Toilets are vital for improving sanitation and health in countries around the world. Without proper toilets, human waste can get into water sources, and killer diseases spread quickly. That's why the sudden loss of latrines in a disaster zone is such an urgent health issue. In Mulanje, Malawi, about 4,000 toilets were damaged by rising water levels produced by Cyclone Idai, which swept through southeastern Africa in March. In the wake of the storm, families in the region—especially children under five—faced an increased risk of contracting cholera and typhoid. PWS&D responded by helping local partners rebuild latrines. Now with safe and working toilets available, 2,600 families in the hardest hit areas are looking towards a healthier future. PWS&D improves sanitation

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP - (*Legacy Sunday*) Give thanks for and remember the many faithful stewards who have believed in God's mission and have seeded new ministries through legacy gifts.

STEWARDSHIP - The lover of money will not be satisfied with money; nor the lover of wealth with gain. *Euclesiastes 5:10a*

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.

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.

23rd Sunday after Pentecost - November 17, 2019

*Please stand if able

GATHERING

Prelude: Prelude No. 1 in C Major, BWV 846 - J.S. Bach Introit: Lord make us servants of your peace - Lee Hastings Bristol Jr. *The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

*Prayer of Adoration: (said together):

Eternal God, you are light for us in darkness, you are strength for us in weakness, you are energy for us in weariness.

With thankfulness and wonder we worship you.

All we need comes from you.

Glory and praise be to you, Holy God:

Creator, Redeemer and Teacher. Amen.

*Hymn: Stand up and bless the Lord

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Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (responsive)

God loves us more than we can ever imagine.

We are forgiven and we can begin again. Thanks be to God!

EQUIPPING

Sung Prayer for Illumination: Open my eyes 500 verse 1 & Refrain

First Reading: Isaiah 65:17-25

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

Responsive Reading: Isaiah 12

You will say in that day:

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away and you comforted me.

Surely God is my salvation;

I will trust, and will not be afraid,

for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

*Hymn: Can a little child like me

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Community Conversation

The Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

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

Sermon: "The future as God sees it"

*Hymn: Isaiah the prophet has written of old 782

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Non nobis Domine - William Byrd

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

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*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

SENDING

*Hymn: Thou whose almighty word

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

Postlude: Sonata No. 15 in D Major, Op. 28 "Pastoral," first mvt. - 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. Our Scripture reader is Valerie Macdonald Our refreshment hosts are Rod and Val Macdonald.

## THIS WEEK - November 17 to 24

**Today** 11 a.m. Worship & Gathering re Young Families Wednesday 5-6 p.m. The Agape Rainbow Group Bible Study

7 p.m. Session Meeting at the church (postponed from last week)

Friday David's Place Sunday 9 a.m. Communion 11 a.m. Worship

**Today** - Following the service, parents and others interested in **ministry** with young families will gather to continue to make plans for the Christmas Season.

**Tonight**, 7:30 p.m. **Galileo Baroque Choir** under the direction of Andrew Pickett will present a **Concert of Baroque Masters** at The Presbyterian Church of Saint David. Tickets \$20 regular/\$10 seniors, students, unwaged.

<u>PWS&D Advent & Candle-lighting Liturgies</u> - Readers needed! Sunday, December 1 is the First Sunday of Advent. Please speak to Phyllis Morrison to sign up for an Advent Sunday or Christmas Eve.

Introit: Lord make us servants of your peace - Lee Hastings Bristol Jr.

Lord, make us servants of your peace; where there is hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one.

Where there is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.

Jesus our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console, nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand.

May we not look for love's return, but seek to love unselfishly, for in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying, we live, and are reborn through death's dark night to endless day; Lord, make us servants of your peace, to wake at last in heaven's light.

Anthem: Non nobis Domine - William Byrd

Non nobis, Domine, non nobis, sed nomini tuo da gloriam.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise.

#### Announcements cont'd

**Tonight**, 7 p.m. **Annual Service to mark St Andrew's Day** at St. Andrew's Dartmouth. Music by The Kilted Choir of St Andrew's 8 pm **Ceilidh** followed by refreshments

Preacher: Calvin Burt, Interim Halifax Hospitals Synod Visitor and a United Church of Canada Student Minister serving at Sharon Presbyterian Church, Dean NS; this congregation is a part of The Upper Musquodoboit Pastoral Charge--a Shared Ministry of The United Church of Canada and The Presbyterian Church in Canada

**Agape Rainbow Group** is a new venture in Bible study approved by Session and organized by Barend Kamperman for the LGBTQ community. It began **November 6** and continues through November on Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m. at Saint David's.

Calvin Presbyterian Church is hosting a **Ham & Bean/Chili Supper** on **Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 3311 Ashburn Avenue, Halifax Take-out Pick-up between 4:00 – 4:30 pm and Dine in between 5:00 – 6:30 pm. Price is \$10 and includes dessert and tea/coffee. To order tickets, call or text Pam MacFarlane at 902 489 7874

# Felicem Chordis presents: The Togni Consort

Featuring: Janelle Lucyk soprano, Hilary Allister mezzo soprano, Kerry Bursey tenor/lute, David Piper bass Jeff Reilly bass clarinet Peter-Anthony Togni composer

**Sunday November 24th at 4 pm** *Saint David's Presbyterian Church* \$20 advance (tickethalifax.com), \$25 at the door.

Hear music that spans over 1000 years, from Gregorian chant and medieval music to new repertoire of this century performed by new vocal quartet, The Togni Consort. The program is based around sacred and mystical music of Halifax composer Peter-Anthony Togni.

# Your Mission Gifts to October 31 - Thank you!

*Presbyterians Sharing* (supporting theological education, congregational resources, mission in Canada and overseas): **\$13,669** (68.3% of our \$20,000 target. At same date 2018, \$14,885 or 74% of target received.)

Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) (supporting emergency relief and community development globally): \$5,893 received

<u>Tuesdays at Saint David's</u> - Every Tuesday from 12:00 noon until 2:00 pm, we welcome visitors, whether they be residents of Halifax or tourists visiting our city, to enjoy the sanctuary, and to stay for a time of rest, relaxation or prayer. Thanks very much to the volunteers who make this happen. During the first three weeks of Advent, Dec. 3, 10 & 17, there will be a 20-minute service at 12:15 p.m. to which all are invited.

# Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup> For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
<sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem

<sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

<sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

<sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain,

or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—

and their descendants as well.

<sup>24</sup> Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

<sup>25</sup> The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,

the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

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

### Luke 21:5-19

<sup>5</sup>When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, <sup>6</sup> "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>7</sup>They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" <sup>8</sup> And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

<sup>9</sup> "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; <sup>11</sup> there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. <sup>13</sup> This will give you an opportunity to testify. <sup>14</sup> So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; <sup>15</sup> for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup> You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. <sup>17</sup> You will be hated by all because of my name. <sup>18</sup> But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup> By your endurance you will gain your souls.

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