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# **Our Vision**

A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community

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## MISSION MOMENTS - CY 2020: No End in Sight

This July, hundreds of youth, young adults and leaders will gather for five days of soul-satisfying worship at Canada Youth. They will enjoy unique expressions of faith in both large and small groups, inspiring keynotes and workshops, dynamic faith exploration and joyful celebration. For 20 years, CY has been a gathering place for all kinds of enthusiastic Presbyterians to worship, play, create, learn, dance, sing, act, make new friends, study scripture, share joy, reflect, pray and share. More than 4,000 people have attended the event since it began, and the impact has been felt across our church. Presbyterians Sharing provides support for this unique event which comes around once every two years. Let's celebrate the vibrant ministry of The Presbyterian Church in Canada!

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** - We give thanks for Shaun MacDonald (Knox Baddeck, NS) who is returning home after serving three months in Israel/Palestine as an Ecumenical Accompanier.

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS** - The fragrance always stays in the hand that gives the rose. *Hada Bejar (1931-2014), actress* 

**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.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany - February 16, 2020

\*Please stand if able

#### **GATHERING**



Prelude: French Suite No. 2 in C Minor, BWV 813: I. Allemande and II.

Sarabande - J. S. Bach

Introit: Dulcissime Iesu Christe - Leone Leoni

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship: (Hebrews 13:1-12)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let mutual love continue

Let us not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

\*Prayer of Adoration: (said together):

God of life, we rejoice in your love which has filled the creation from the beginning and which calls all life into being. We praise you for Jesus Christ who reveals most fully your loving purpose for all. We bless you for your Spirit who draws all humanity into the circle of your tender love. Gracious God, bless us with your presence so that our worship and our lives may be a true celebration of your love in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn: How lovely is thy dwelling place 52

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: (from *Living Faith* 3.6.1) Here is the good news of the Gospel!

Jesus Christ is the elect one, chosen for our salvation.

In him we are made acceptable to God.

Before the world was made we were chosen in Christ

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to be part of the family of God.

Glory and thanksgiving be to our God! Amen.

#### **EQUIPPING**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Deuteronomy 10:12-22

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

\*Hymn: Teach me, God, to wonder

Community Conversation The Letters: Romans 12:9-13 The Gospel: Matthew 26:26-30

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

Sermon: "Jesus as host and guest"

\*Hymn: The love of God comes close 474

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: Jubilate Deo - Christopher Upton

\*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: Lord, you give the great commission <u>778</u>

\*Benediction (... be with you all. And also with you.)
Postlude: Dr. Gradus Ad Parnassum - C. DeBussy

## 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 Colin MacPherson. Our Scripture reader is Millie McDougall. Thanks to soup makers and sandwiches/sweets bringers!

**Annual Report:** The Annual Congregational meeting is scheduled for **March 8**. As we would like to have the Report available for you on March 1, which will be Communion Sunday, all those who will be submitting reports should have them to Valerie Macdonald **by today** so that the report can be assembled.

### THIS WEEK – February 16 to 23

**Today** 11 a.m. Worship, Soup Contest Lunch

New Beginnings Conversation

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

The **New Beginnings Conversation** takes place **today** over lunch following worship. The New Beginnings leaders have drawn from previous congregational input to create the Saint David's Future Story. It has been sent out for you to read but there are hard copies available. This is all part of our on-going effort to discover what God is calling Saint David's to do and be.

**Note:** As has been the custom for the Soup Contest, members of the congregation are invited to bring sandwiches or sweets for the lunch.

The **QEII Health Sciences Centre** is recruiting **volunteers** for a variety of programs supporting patients, Veterans and the public in finding their way at the VG and Halifax Infirmary sites, recreation activities, meal assistance and others. There are a variety of days and times available. To learn more, please contact Volunteer Services at 902-473-2457 or go to <a href="mailto:mww.nshealth.ca\volunteer">mww.nshealth.ca\volunteer</a>.

#### Announcements cont'd

Sunday, March 1 - 1st Sunday in Lent. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at both 9 & 11 a.m. services.

Sunday, March 8 - 2nd Sunday in Lent - Annual Congregational Meeting following the service. Lunch provided.

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.

#### Deuteronomy 10:12-22

<sup>12</sup>So now, O Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you? Only to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments of the LORD your God and his decrees that I am commanding you today, for your own well-being. <sup>14</sup> Although heaven and the heaven of heavens belong to the LORD your God, the earth with all that is in it, <sup>15</sup> yet the LORD set his heart in love on your ancestors alone and chose you, their descendants after them, out of all the peoples, as it is today. <sup>16</sup> Circumcise, then, the foreskin of your heart, and do not be stubborn any longer. <sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, 18 who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. <sup>19</sup>You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. <sup>20</sup> You shall fear the LORD your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. <sup>21</sup> He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen. <sup>22</sup>Your ancestors went down to Egypt seventy persons; and now the LORD your God has made you as numerous as the stars in heaven.

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

## Romans 12:9-13

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

<sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

#### Matthew 26:26-30

<sup>26</sup> While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." <sup>27</sup> Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; <sup>28</sup> for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>29</sup> I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

<sup>30</sup> When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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

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Introit: Dulcissime Iesu Christe - Leone Leoni

Dulcissime Iesu Christe,
O quam benignus es,
O quam amabilis,
O quam desiderabilis
et misericors et suavis,
Qui pro nobis mori dignatus es,
Alleluia,
Te decet laus
Te decet laus
tibi debetur omnis honor,
tibi benedictio et charitas,
Tibi gratiarum actio,
Tibi gloria,
Virtus et fortitudo Deo nostro
in secula seculorum.

Sweet Jesus Christ; Oh, how gracious you are, Oh, how amiable;

Alleluia.

Oh, how lovely, merciful and sweet;
You are he who has deigned to die for us,
Alleluia.
You are worthy of praise,
You are worthy of hymns,
You deserve every honor,
blessing and charity;
To you be thanksgiving,
To you be glory,
Virtue and strength be to our God,
for ever and ever;
Alleluia.

**Anthem:** *Jubilate Deo* - Christopher Upton

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.