



## PASTORAL CARE

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## Our Vision

### *A Worshipping, Sharing, Welcoming Community*

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## MISSION MOMENTS - Screening for health in Somalia

Samsam, a mother of five, lives in a community in Somalia where access to food is a consistent struggle and many people are malnourished. Samsam jumped at the opportunity to join a PWS&D-supported program to learn about nutrition for infants and young children. Through this program, she discovered a simple trick for determining whether a child or mother is malnourished: taking a measurement near the top of their arm. Now, by helping community members screen for malnutrition, Samsam is making sure that people in her village are receiving the care that they need. This program demonstrates the multiplying effect of enabling communities to help themselves. With 1,540 people trained on how to measure malnutrition in this way, over 15,000 children and 5,000 women have been screened so far.

**PRAYER PARTNERSHIP** - We thank God for choir members, music directors and musicians in congregations.

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS** - When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. *Anonymous*

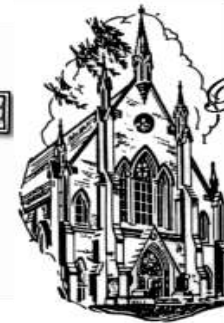
***Saint David's is on Facebook and Twitter.*** Search in the platform for "Saint David's Presbyterian Church Halifax." If you click on "follow" on the church's page in either Facebook or Twitter, you will get updates from the church in your feeds.



! 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.*

**The Transfiguration of our Lord - February 23, 2020**

*\*Please stand if able*

## GATHERING



Prelude: *Prelude Op. 28 No. 13 in F Sharp Major* - F. Chopin

Introit: *Kyrie from Mass for 3 Voices* - William Byrd

\*The Entry of the Scriptures

\*Call to Worship:

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us gather now in the light of God!

**Behold, God is doing a new thing!**

God calls us to bring forth justice, to be a light to the nations to open eyes that are blind, to free those held captive.

**Behold, God is doing a new thing!**

God is with us as we do God's work.

**God has chosen us to bring light to all people.**

**Behold, God is doing a new thing!**

\*Prayer of Adoration: *(said responsively)*

God of light and love, you answer prayers and forgive sins

**We praise you.**

You know our needs and provide us with good things.

**We praise you.**

Your mercy shines like a lamp in the night,  
giving us courage and hope.

**We praise you.**

God of light and love, you call us to shine for others

**ALL> Help us to show your love always.  
We pray in the name of Jesus,  
the Light of the World Amen.**

\*Hymn: Christ, whose glory fills the skies 177

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  
to be part of the family of God.  
Glory and thanksgiving be to our God! Amen.**

**EQUIPPING**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

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

**Responsive Reading** Psalm 99

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble!

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

<sup>2</sup>The LORD is great in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the peoples.

<sup>3</sup>**Let them praise your great and awesome name.  
Holy is he!**

<sup>4</sup>Mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity;  
you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.

<sup>5</sup>**Extol the LORD our God;  
worship at his footstool.  
Holy is he!**

<sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron were among his priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called on his name.  
They cried to the LORD, and he answered them.

<sup>7</sup>**He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;  
they kept his decrees,  
and the statutes that he gave them.**

<sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them;  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

<sup>9</sup>**Extol the LORD our God,  
and worship at his holy mountain;  
for the LORD our God is holy.**

\*Hymn: Fairest Lord Jesus 375

Community Conversation

The Letters: II Peter 1:16-21

The Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

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

Sermon: "The glory in the grey"

\*Hymn: You, Lord, are both lamb and shepherd 356

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem: *O Taste and See* - Scott Villiard

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

\*Offertory Prayer

Announcements

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

**SENDING**

\*Hymn: Be thou my vision 461

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

Postlude: *Sonata in E Flat Major, Op. 7 No. 4, 1st mvt.* - L. 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 Phyllis Morrison. Our Scripture reader is Johannah Roberts. Our refreshment host is Claudia Sauoud.

## Announcements cont'd

**THIS WEEK – February 23 to March 1**

|              |                                                                                    |
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| <b>Today</b> | 11 a.m. Worship                                                                    |
| Tuesday      | 3 p.m. New Beginnings group leaders meeting at the church                          |
| Friday       | David's Place                                                                      |
| Sunday       | 9 a.m. Communion                                                                   |
|              | 11 a.m. First Sunday in Lent Worship with Communion<br>Gathering re Young Families |

**Sunday, March 1 - 1st Sunday in Lent. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be celebrated at both 9 & 11 a.m. services. Following the service, parents and others interested in **ministry with young families** will gather to make plans for the next seasonal event & Sunday School.

**Sunday, March 8 - 2nd Sunday in Lent - Annual Congregational Meeting** following the service. Lunch provided. Annual reports will be available next Sunday.

**Inner Space Concerts** presents Sextet Sells, a chamber music concert, **in Saint David's sanctuary on Tuesday March 3 at 7:30 pm.** Tickets are available at the door. Price for church members is \$20. Regular price \$43. Fifth Wind (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn) partners with Simon Docking on the piano to present a French-American love affair. The program features the most coveted work for sextets by French composer Francis Poulenc and the iconic Rhapsody in Blue by American pianist and composer George Gershwin.

**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.

**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. Catherines 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)

The Mental Health Foundation of Nova Scotia invites you to "**A Different Stage of Mind: 20/20 in 2020 A Vision for Mental Health**" **March 6, 8 p.m.** at the Halifax Convention Centre. Community leaders take the stage in support of Nova Scotians living with mental illness. You can sponsor these leaders in their fundraising by donations or buying tickets to the event. For details go to <https://www.mentalhealthns.ca/a-different-stage-of-mind>

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### **Exodus 24:12-18**

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>13</sup>So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

### **II Peter 1:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." <sup>18</sup>We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

<sup>19</sup>So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the

day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup>First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup>because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

### **Matthew 17:1-9**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup>Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup>And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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

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**Introit:** *Kyrie from Mass for 3 Voices* - William Byrd

*Kyrie eleison,  
Christe eleison,  
Kyrie eleison.*

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Anthem:** *O Taste and See* - Scott Villiard

O taste and see that the Lord is good.  
How blessed is the man that taketh refuge in Him.