

The Presbyterian Church of Saint David

1544 Grafton Street at Blowers, Halifax, N.S. (by Memorial Library)

Minister: Rev. Kenn Stright

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Dr. John Pace Organist: Tristan Cleveland-Thompson Clerk of Session: Murray Alary

WELCOME!

Service for the Lord's Day January 30, 2011 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able are asked to stand.

God Calls Us to Worship

*The Entry of the Scriptures

*Call to Worship

People of God, who do you come to worship?

We come to worship the one true God.

How will you worship?

Not with words alone, but by living lives of justice and love.

Come, you who belong to God.

Come, you who are foolish in the eyes of the world.

Come and worship and enjoy God, now and forever.

*Hymn "What does the Lord require of you"

709

Prayer of Confession

One: Lord have mercy. All: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

We Hear God's Word

Hymn: Speak, Lord, in the stillness 442

First Reading: Micah 6:1-8

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 15:1-5

One: O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

All: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart;

who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the LORD; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Gloria Patri (sung)

*Hymn "Seek ye first" <u>625</u>

Conversation with the Young People

The Law of God – on one foot!

Hymn "Seek ye first" <u>625</u>

(the young people leave for church school during the singing of this verse)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

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

*Hymn "Blest are they" <u>624</u>

Sermon "Inside out and Upside Down (and backwards!)"

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem Bone Jesu ~ Palestrina

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

The Apostles' Creed – inside back cover of hymnal

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Hymn "O Lord, hear my prayer/The Lord is my song" 446

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer ("debts & debtors")

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hymn: "O Master, let me walk with thee" <u>642</u>

*Benediction

*Choral "Amen"

Organ Postlude Improvisation on The Parting Glass

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. Envelopes are also in the pews or in the Narthex. We welcome younger children to our services. Parents, please note that a nursery room is available for nursing infants. An audio link broadcasts the service in this unsupervised room. The welcoming elder this morning is Davida Mackay. The reader is Andrew Lappin. Please join us for Coffee Hour this morning. Our hosts today are Susan and Joseph Lappin.

Thought for the Day: instead of living our lives and sharing our faith, we should be living our faith and sharing our lives. (author unknown)

THIS WEEK:

Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 – 10:30 am Fitness Classes
Tues. 2 pm Worship and Congregational Life Committee
Thurs. 7:30 pm Choir Practice
Fri. 10:00 am – 1:00 pm David's Place (Hall)
Saturday 2 pm Lecture Series "Kairos: The Inside Story"
Sunday 10:00 am Circle of Prayer Minister's Study

Readings and Message for next week:

Isaiah 58: 1-12 Psalm 112: 1-10 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16 Matthew 5: 13-20

Sermon: A BEACON OF HOPE

Lecture Series February 5, 2 pm in the lounge: The lecture series for 2011 continues with Kenn Stright presenting on the topic "Kairos: The Inside Story". We'll go inside together and explore the origins of Kairos, what it stands for and what it does and how we are involved. We'll also take a side tour to explore the 2011 campaign together and revisit the controversary Kairos continues to have with the government of Canada! All that and more in one hour!

Advance Notice: The next work session is being announced several weeks in advance so that you can have a better chance of fitting it into your schedules. The date is **Saturday February 26th**, starting at 9 am. If this is too early, come when you can.

Jamie Campbell will be providing lunch. Work activities will include dusting and polishing. More details about painting, etc. will be available by Sunday Jan 23rd. One of our aims is to have the sanctuary and hall looking really good for the annual congregational meeting on the 27th. Jamie needs to have a head count for lunch. Either enter your name on the sheet on the table in the hall after service, or email me at Forest.Fyfe@dal.ca.

The **Mission and Outreach Committee** wishes to give a huge THANK YOU to our generous congregation here at St David's who once more rose to the challenge of helping those in need!!! The freewill luncheon held on Jan 23rd for the benefit of the Halifax Refugee Clinic on Grafton Street was very successful with \$560.00 being raised. Kudos to all who helped make this happen!

This money will be presented to the Halifax Refugee Clinic for use in their Resettlement Fund which helps their non-government funded refugees start a new and safer life in Canada. They often arrive in desperate need of everything. Anything that we can do will be much appreciated. Let us continue to reflect Christ's light and love onto his people.

Thank you again from Mission and Outreach.

We are blessed with many wonderful readers, but Phyllis Morrison would really love to have the problem of having to tell a reader that the list is filled and they will have to wait a bit longer to have their next turn. We also have a great story to tell. Maybe some of you would like to be one of our readers, but are not sure you have the skills to do so. Maybe you are a little shy about sharing your faith. If you are already comfortable doing either reading or storytelling, that is great. As in everything there is always something new you can learn.

Whichever is true for your situation, we have great news for you:

February 12 from 10-12:30 Kathy Large and Rev. Stright will be offering two workshops--one in how to read scripture and one in storytelling. These are both for adults and young people. Everyone is invited to come out and join the fun and hopefully learn a new skill or improve on the ones they already have. Hope to see you there. No registration is required but a light lunch will be served to those who confirm with Kenn - 423-2660 or Val- 455-1893 that they are coming!

Due to the restructuring of the company he joined in September John Wamboldt is unfortunately once again looking for work, possibly in the office administration line. He will consider any position that would be within his experience. He is currently in line for a computer skills upgrading course in February. He is a very dedicated person, who is a very willing, fast learner. As he doesn't drive, the position must be close to a bus route and preferably in Halifax. If you hear of anything please contact John at his new business e-mail: johnwamboldt@hotmail.ca or call him at 445-4174

PARKING ON CHURCH PROPERTY

Members are reminded that parking on church property is reserved for members with valid parking permits. During snow clearing season, it may be necessary for you to move your car for plow access.

Parking Permits Please renew your parking permit for 2011 and confirm the detail information in the office about your vehicle at your earliest convenience. The office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. To receive a permit on Sunday morning, please see Patricia Calkin in the Hall following the morning Service of Worship.

Capella Regalis Men and Boys Choir will sing Choral Evensong at King's College Chapel, Coburg Road, on Tuesday, 1 February 2011 at 5.00PM under the direction of Nick Halley. The repertoire for this service includes an Introit by the 16th century composer Richard Farrant, "Lord For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake", the simple setting of the Versicles and Responses, Psalm 8, set as a beautiful Anglican chant by the 17th century Henry Lawes, and the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Thomas Morley. The anthem for this service

is Senex Puerum Portabat by William Byrd. All are invited to enjoy this beautiful, contemplative service.

Southern Sudan Votes to Form Independent Nation

Preliminary results of southern Sudan's referendum show more than 97% of voters support the south to form a new independent nation in Africa, expected to come into effect in July 2011. PWS&D has a long history of working in Sudan to support agriculture, clean water, education, health and peace-building initiatives in the country. In addition, KAIROS' International Human Rights Coordinator helped monitor the referendum on behalf of Canadian churches. Please pray for the people of Sudan as they work to resolve issues surrounding borders, oil, water and land rights over the next few months. www.presbyterian.ca/pwsd.

Minutes for Mission CENTRAL ASIA Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Sam and Linda L, who have been serving in Central Asia jointly through Interserve Canada and The Presbyterian Church in Canada since 2006. For security reasons, their exact location cannot be disclosed, as it is a sensitive area of the world. Sam's work as a computer consultant helps to support the projects and ministries of the foreign Christian volunteers who work through Interserve. Sam and Linda are also involved in teaching English to university students through an English Club. Friendships that have formed through the club have provided, Sam and Linda with opportunities to share their faith, and some of the students are interested in learning more about Christianity. Let us pray for Sam and Linda and their work in Central Asia.

Stewardship Moment You can't take your money to heaven, but you can invest it for eternity. – *Unknown*

PASTORAL CARE

Members of Saint David's requiring pastoral care are requested to contact one of the following:

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