

Announcements

In case of pastoral emergencies while Rev. Brad is away, please contact either Nancy Harvey at (902) 887-2956 or Rev. Torrey Griffiths at (902) 856-2352.

**We welcome Rev Sandy MacDonald this morning
to share his message with us.**

Born in Stratford, ON to a farm family in Hampstead ON, Rev Sandy MacDonald is a graduate of Western University and Knox College and received an Honorary Doctor of Divinity from Knox College in 1996.

Ordained at Knox Church, Stratford on May 31, 1968, he started as a minister at St Andrew & Dartmouth, Iona, Dartmouth, & Musquodoboit Harbour on August 25, 1968. He continued as the Minister of St Andrew & Dartmouth for 46 3/4 years, retiring on March 31, 2024.

He was active in ecumenical and denominational work: Moderator of General Assembly 2003-04, Moderator of Synod twice, Clerk of the Presbytery of Halifax-Lunenburg since Nov, 1970, active in Synod & Camp Geddie Committee for several decades (started as a counsellor in 1967) and is currently the Convenor.

Hi, everyone; As the summer continues to wind down (all too quickly) we wanted to express our appreciation to those who have continued to support our general operating budget with additional special gifts. This has vastly improved our operating deficit to July 31st. from \$-21,323.00 in 2023 to \$-9,626.55 for this year, 2024. We also wanted to thank those who contributed to our building fund last month as repairs to our storm drains were completed. Once again, thanks to everyone for your support. -- F&P Committee.

Mission Moment:

In Malawi, the Mabiri Community Day Secondary School's Sexual Reproductive Health Club is a component of the Every Girl Empowered Project, which is supported by PWS&D. One of the issues discussed by club members is school dropout rates among their peers. One of the reasons for this is the inability to pay school fees. Determined to make a difference, club members identified a peer, Wezzie, aged 16, struggling financially. To help her, they organized an open house event, inviting supporters to hear Wezzie's story and learn about the importance of financial support for marginalized pupils. Through their advocacy efforts, the club secured pledges to cover Wezzie's school fees, enabling her to take and pass her examinations successfully. The club was pleased knowing they successfully advocated to help improve Wezzie's future.

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*“to know, love and serve God wherever we are and
to inspire others to do the same
by our thoughts, words and deeds”*

SPC Mission Statement

Our Approach to God

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn: **#423 Sing your praise to God eternal**

Opening Prayers *(in unison)*

Gracious God -- Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we rejoice that you created the world in your love and by your grace redeemed it.

Your power is beyond measure, your wisdom beyond our knowledge, and your love beyond our ability to describe it. Satisfy the longings that you have placed in us that we may find you in life and life in you.

O God, our sun and shield, receive our sincere confession. Though you made us, we sometimes act as if we are self-made, feeling no need to serve you, our Maker, no duty to follow you, our Teacher, and no responsibility to honour you, our Judge. Often we are confused and torn by our loyalty to you and the demands and attractions of our world. When we face a conflict between the two, help us to remain loyal to you and to have the courage to be guided by the way of love. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us.

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Hymn: **#428 We love your house, O God**

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: 1Kings 8:22-30

Psalm 84

Ephesians 6: 10-20

John 6: 56-69

Ministry of Music: Marilyn Martin & Susan Cameron

Message

Hymn: **#425 We praise you, O God**

Our Response to God's Word

Stewardship Moment

Reflection / Doxology & The Presentation of Gifts / Prayer

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high & low
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.***

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn: **#687 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine**

Benediction

Dismissal: **May the God of hope go with us**

Postlude

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for women in India who, with PWS&D's support, are gaining access to livelihood opportunities and engaging in workshops about gender issues, contributing to a more equitable society.

We give thanks and pray for the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian in Malawi, celebrating its 100th anniversary this month.

We pray for church school teachers and youth workers as they prepare for the year ahead.

