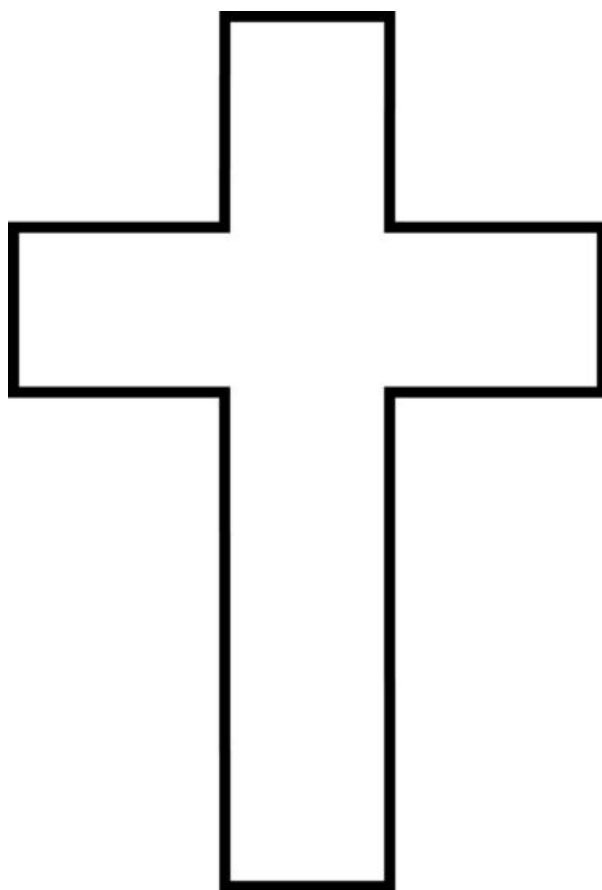


St. David's Presbyterian Church
98 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL A1B 1R8

Order of Service
Mission Awareness Sunday
April 30th, 2023



Instrumental Prelude
Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship:

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us,

to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Luke 1:78-79

Jesus said: "I am the Light of the World.

He who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

John 8:12

Contemporary Music Selections: "All My Hope", "Shine Jesus Shine", "Light Of The World"

Prayer of Approach and Confession

God, our heavenly father, take us by the hand and lead us to your light. Out of this darkness shine your love upon us and lead us to our peace. As we go forth and spread your light we ask you to guide us along the way.

Give us strength where there is none, feed our weak souls with light and together we will defeat the darkness and let your light consume that which spreads it.

In the name of Jesus your only son we pray. Amen

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Dear God forgive our short comings,

We were weak, as darkness lingered so long,

We stumbled, some fell,

But we never gave up, never gave in,

We reached out, cried out and

There you were, always by our side,

We are sorry for moments of weakness,

Disbelief, anger and questioning you,

We know, deep inside, you are and always will be our guiding light.

Amen

Let us pray together the Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

(Children welcomed to the front)

Children's Music: "This Little Light of Mine
Children's Time and Prayer

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 42:5-7	(p.1082)
Psalms 139:1-12 (responsive)	(p. 934)
Romans 8:28-39	(p.1683)
John 9:1-7	(p.1594)

Hymn: # 727 Let there be Light

Sermon: The Light Shines in the Darkness

Invitation to Offering ~ Collection of Offering

Doxology Hymn # 79

Offering Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Contemporary Music Selection: " Shine On Us"

Benediction

Postlude

We **WELCOME** everyone to our worship today and pray that this hour might be one of refreshment and spiritual joy.

An unstaffed **Nursery** for infants and toddlers is available through the door at the front right hand side of the Sanctuary.

A **Fellowship Time** is held downstairs after worship. Please come and join us!

There is additional **parking** available for Sunday Mornings next door at Elizabeth Tower's parking lot and across the street at the English School District parking lot.