



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
August, 2017

*Through Faith, we walk on the path Jesus set for us.
The people of St. Paul's Belong... Believe... Listen... Love... Lead.*

WE APPROACH OUR GRACIOUS GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME This Day God Gives Me verses 1 & 2 # 410 Voices United
LIFE & WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the dog days of the summer,

we gather to worship, to have the fire of the Spirit lit in our souls.

In this season of growth, as the earth puts out food,

we gather to worship, to be fed and energized.

As followers of Christ, we greet each other with Christ's peace...

WE GREET EACH OTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

As the candle flame flickers to life then burns with a steady flame

So may the Spirit move in and around us so that God's light would shine through us.

As God's Light shines in our midst we center ourselves for worship.

OPENING PRAYER

We draw together searching for truth

God, show us the way

We draw together to share the Good News

Christ, show us the way

We draw together to renew our faith

Spirit, show us the way

(by Sandy Ferguson *Gathering: Pentecost 1 2015 p.31*)

Gathering Hymn:

WE SHARE AS GOD'S CHILDREN THE BIBLE'S STORY IN WORD AND IN SONG:

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER FOR AND ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Gracious God, you blow life's breath into our lungs.

We live in you, we live through you.

You call us to live lives marked by forgiveness, love, hope, compassion.

And we strive to do so.

But if we are honest,

sometimes our lives are marked by resentment, dis-interest, fear, self-centeredness

God of Grace,

when we get it right celebrate with us, when we miss the mark gently guide us back to the path of wisdom.

...time of silent prayer...

God is gracious and merciful. God celebrates our successes and mourns our mis-steps. God continues to call us back to the Way with forgiveness and grace and mercy.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON(S):

SILENCE

(trusting that God is at work in our midst we allow the words we have heard to settle and stir in our souls)

SERMON:

Hymn:

WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO GOD AND PREPARE FOR MINISTRY IN THE WORLD

THE OFFERING

Mission Minute

The Invitation:

Dedication Offering Hymn: As Those of Old Their First-Fruits Brought
verse 3 # 518 Voices United

Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymn:

COMMISSIONING:

Go and invite others into Jesus' embrace.

We go into the world to live as disciples of Love.

Go and invite others into the healing power of God's grace.

We go into the world to live as baptizers, teachers, friends.

Go and invite others into the Spirit's powerful vision.

We go into the world to live as prophetic visionaries

(by Gord Dunbar, Burlington ON in *Gathering Pentecost 1 2017 p.41*)

Sung Benediction: Jesus, Teacher, Brave and Bold

#605 Voices United

POSTLUDE

Scriptures for August 2017

August 6, 2017 – Worship Leader: Sharon Adams
Sermon: War and Peace

Reading: Ephesians 6: 10-20

August 13, 2017 – Worship Leader: Doug Currie
Sermon: Living on the Graph

Readings:

Matthew 13:1-19; 18-23
Romans 8:1-11

August 20, 2017 – Worship Leader: Emily Sylvester
Sermon: Gratitude

Readings:

Genesis 45: 1-15 A brother's mercy
Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32 We receive God's mercy
Luke 17: 11-19 Giving thanks for Christ's mercy

August 27, 2017 – Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie
Sermon: Stand Up Straight

Readings:

Luke 13:10-17

Hymns for August 2017

August 6, 2017 - Worship Leader: Sharon Adams

- ❖ Take Time to Be Holy #672 Voices United
- ❖ Let There Be Peace on Earth (See insert)
- ❖ God Says #172 More Voices

August 13, 2017 - Worship Leader: Doug Currie

- ❖ We Are One #402 Voices United
- ❖ Oh a Song Must Rise #142 More Voices
- ❖ Go to the World #420 Voices United

August 20, 2017 - Worship Leader: Emily Sylvester

- ❖ River # 3 More Voices
- ❖ Let There Be Light # 679 Voices United
- ❖ Your Hands, O Christ, # 622 Voices United - tune of VU 625

August 27, 2017 – Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie

- ❖ Amazing Grace #266 Voices United
- ❖ When Jesus the Healer #358 Voices United
- ❖ Great Sorrow Prodded Jairus #132 More Voices
(Tune of #145 VU)

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth
and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.
With God, our creator,
children all are we;
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me,
let this be the moment now,
with ev'ry step I take
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Words: Jill Jackson
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JUST A REMINDER...

For those parents with small children, please be reminded there is a nursery available when your children need more room to run around, or are upset and inconsolable. The nursery is conveniently just down the hall across from the Friendship Room.

Parents – If your children are using the nursery, please tidy it up before leaving.

New to the church? Want a photo directory? See Carla in the church office to buy your copy for \$15.00

ATTENTION ALL HOUSEHOLDS

Have you joined St. Paul's Recyclable program yet?

St. Paul's has an easy fund raiser to help with the Church renovations. All you need to do is bag up all your empty bottles, cans and milk jugs and put our **church id # 1468-2415** visible on each bag and drop them off at the bottle depot on Resources Road and before you leave, check in with the cashier and let them know how many bags/boxes on bottles/can you dropped off.

***** \$259.35 has been brought in since January 1, 2017*****

Announcements

Ministry by: The Congregation

Enabling Minister: Rev. Gord Waldie Church Office: Carla Johnson

Telephone: (780-532-2415) Email: secretary@stpaulsuc.ca

Sunday School: Holly Loughead

Youth Ministry: Janis Schau-Steinke

Music Director: Alison White.

If you have a prayer request, please write it down in our prayer book on the table at the entrance into worship. Your needs will be added to our community prayer.

Thank you

If you have noticed someone missing from our congregation, please contact them by phone or visit them in person. You may be their "angel"



Our Prayers are offered for, Eathyn Anderson and Family

Church Office Hours!

Please note that the Church office will have new hours throughout the summer starting July 1st Tuesday - Friday 9am noon & 1pm - 3pm and closed the occasional Fridays until September.

Would you like to put an announcement in the Sunday bulletin? Please have them to Carla in the Church office by **Wednesday at noon** in order to have them in for the current week's bulletin.

We are in need of Scripture Readers and Door Greeters every Sunday. Please sign the lists in the foyer if you would like to volunteer to help during the worship services.

At St. Paul's We Are So Fortunate To Have A Church That Is Busy And Full Of Life PLEASE Be Sure To Check with Carla In The Church Office Before You Expect A Room Will Be Free For Your Use. Rooms Booked With Carla In The Office Will Have First Priority.

Moved?? New to the Church??

If you have moved, or you are new to the Church, please stop by the church office or send Carla a quick email (secretary@stpaulsuc.ca) with your new details so we can keep our records up to date! Thank you!

Offering Envelopes - Making your donation using a set of offering envelopes is the easiest way to ensure you receive a tax receipt for your givings. If you don't have a set of offering envelopes, and would like some, please contact Carla in the church office. Also please make sure you have envelope # on your givings so it can be record to the correct person.

The first Sunday of each month there is a second offering that is dedicated to local outreach. **This month from July 1-31 we gave out 14 food/ gas vouchers for a total of \$625.00 from** our local outreach fund. The food bank is experiencing a shortage; consider bringing a non-perishable food donation. Thank you for your continued support

“An Awkward Conversation in the Church”. The Alberta and Northwest Conference of The United Church of Canada will be having a two-day symposium to discuss the contemporary issues of race and discrimination as it affects black people and, in light of the Mission of the Church, to consider ways that the church might respond to these issues. The event will be hosted by the Conference Intercultural Ministry Committee and will be held at the Providence Renewal Centre, Edmonton, from October 4 -6, 2017. The Main Speaker for the symposium will be Professor Anthony G. Reddie. Professor Reddie is a Learning and Development Officer for the Methodist Church in Britain. He is also an Extraordinary Professor of Theological Ethics at the University of South Africa.

Dates to Remember:

Senior Lodge service, Points West Living –	Sunday, September 3 at 6:00 pm
Adult Choir –	Thursday, September 7 at 7:30 pm
Sunday school starts -	Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 am
CGIT/Explores Registration Night -	Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 pm
Jr. Choir starts -	Sunday, September 17
Senior Lodge service, Wild Rose –	Sunday, September 24 at 6:00 pm
Beginner bells-	Sunday, September 24, 11:20 - Noon
Handbells -	Monday, September 25 at 7:00 pm

(Must have music background and / or handbell experience, with communication and try out with conductor. Please contact Jeannette 780 356-2866.)

T-Shirts and Hats - with St Paul's Logo are available by talking to or writing Sharon Adams. 587-297-1570 or sharad2224@yahoo.ca
 Four shirt styles - t-shirt, golf shirt, baseball shirt, hoodie; Three hat styles - with multiple options - stamped logo; embroidered logo; Canadian flag, Alberta crest; Communications appreciates all who are "wearing their colors" and letting others in the community know about us.



This is one of the slides that will be going up on our LED sign in a couple of weeks. However, the group that is hosting this can use our help.

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED
 until Thurs. Aug. 17th here at St Paul's

Children's clothing

Men's clothing

Women's clothing

Shoes and/or Boots,

Back Packs

Winter clothing



PASS IT ON...get the word out!