



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
July 2018

*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 God We Praise You for the Morning (vss 1&2) #415 Voices United

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY

We gather here on land that is covered by Treaty #8, specifically the traditional land of the Beaver in the traditional territory of the Cree.

We thank them for their care for this land before our ancestors arrived. We pledge to work with them as we share this land into the future.

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 THE CHRIST CANDLE

In this Season of the Spirit we light a candle, reminding us of the fire of hope and freedom

as this flame flickers in our midst, we commit ourselves to spread its light and heat in the world

Gathered as Spirit-filled disciples of Christ, we quiet our hearts for worship

OPENING PRAYER

Creator God, beauty is all around us, in your creation, in your handiwork, in the people that you have created and gifted.

As we pause now to consider you and what you are asking of us at this time, open our minds to notice that beauty, especially in the places and people that seem to portray anything but beauty.

May we use our time and God-given gifts to create beauty,

in our words, in our actions, and in our very being. Amen.

(by Catherine Tovell Gathering: Pentecost 1 2018 p.38)

Looking Ahead – Save the Date(s)

The 102 Street Stitchers..... New group to join in September!

Quilters and Crafters plan to meet the second Friday of the month, bring a project, work together on a project, do a community or outreach project, whatever you choose! The Friendship Room is booked 9-5. Bring your lunch or coffee and goodies to share. Conversation and advice is free! If you want more info call Carla at the office or Gail Schau or Sherry Alstad.

“Summer Passport for Church Exploration”...

This summer, whether traveling or not, please carry this passport and collect signatures or stamps from the churches you visit. Whether you join in for church services right here at St. Paul's or wherever you find yourself on Sunday mornings throughout June, July and August, you can fill in your passport. In September we'll compare notes, mark our map and ...there will be prizes for participation!!!

St. Paul's is scheduled to lead worship at Mackenzie Place on July 29 (4:00) and at Points West on August 12 (6:00). Gord is away for both of these Sundays. If you are interested in providing leadership for either or both of these please let Gord know.

We are wanting to rebuild the St. Paul's United Prayer Team. This is a group of people who will receive prayer requests from members of the congregation and commit to pray for the people and situations named. If you would be interested in being a part of this ministry please let Gord know.

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.

***** \$830.55** has been brought in since January 1, 2017***

Hymns for July 2018

July 1, 2018 – Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie

- ❖ It's a Song of Praise to the Maker #30 More Voices
- ❖ For the Beauty of the Earth #226 Voices United
- ❖ Joyful Joyful We Adore You #232 Voices United

July 8, 2018 - Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie

- ❖ Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet #245 Voices United
- ❖ Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing #223 Voices United
- ❖ Praise God for This Holy Ground #42 More Voices

July 15, 2018 - Worship Leader: Doug Currie

- ❖ Deep in Our Hearts #154 More Voices
- ❖ When We Seek Language #49 More Voices
- ❖ Like a Healing Stream #144 More Voices

July 22, 2018 - Worship Leader: Emily Sylvester

- ❖ I Danced in the Morning # 352 Voices United
- ❖ Teach me, God, to Wonder # 299 Voices United
- ❖ You Shall Go Out With Joy X4 (faster each verse) #884 Voices United

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 LESSONS:

SILENT REFLECTION

(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: In Gratitude and Humble Trust #544 Voices United

Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymn:

COMMISSIONING

Go now with the guidance and the grace of God.
Let your life portray God's word in human form.

**We will show by touch and word devotion to God, to the earth
and to all life that comes to birth Amen**

(by Robin Wardlaw *Gathering: Pentecost 1 2018* p.46)

Sung Benediction: Peace Be with You
POSTLUDE

#215 More Voices

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, the family of Laverne Hebner,

Church Office Hours!

Please note that the Church office will have new hours throughout the summer starting July 2nd - Tuesday - Friday 9am noon & 1pm - 3pm and closed the occasional Fridays until September.

Office will be closed August 2-13th.

Rev. Gord will be away on holidays from July 13- August 20th -During this time please call the office for Pastoral Care concerns and Carla will forward them to the right person.

Scriptures for July 2018

July 1, 2018 – Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie
Sermon: *The World God Loves*

Reading:

❖ Job 38:25-27; 41:1-8; 42:1-6

July 8, 2018 – Worship Leader: Rev. Gord Waldie
Sermon: *Right Restored?*

Reading:

❖ Job 42:7-17

July 15, 2018 – Worship Leader: Doug Currie
Sermon: "Do you understand the words that are coming out of my mouth?" Jackie Chan – Rush Hour

Readings:

❖ Genesis 11:1-9

❖ Acts 2: 1-12

July 22, 2018 – Worship Leader: Emily Sylvester
Sermon: Jesus' little sister

Readings:

❖ Psalm 23

❖ Ephesians 3: 14-21

❖ Luke 15: 1-10