



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
October 21, 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 Halle Halle Halle (sung twice) #958 Voices United

LIFE & WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

The beginning of a line is a single point.

The beginning of a library is just one book.

The beginning of a journey is a single step.

The beginning of a flood is one drop of water.

The beginning of God's Kingdom is in each decision we make, to live God's love;

in reaching out to those around us,

to bring food to those who are hungry,

and water to those who thirst;

in reaching out to those around us,

to shelter and clothe those who are naked,

to visit the sick and those imprisoned;

in reaching out to those around us, we worship God.

We worship God.

WE GREET EACH OTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

The candle flame reminds us of the fire of the Holy Spirit burning in our midst

As we gather in its light may we always remember to give thanks for the gifts God has given us.

Sitting in the glow of the Light, we calm our hearts, souls, and selves for worship.

OPENING PRAYER

God, we gather as your people, that all may be one.

We come together today as The United Church of Canada, l'Église Unie du Canada!

Lifted by the wings of your Holy Spirit, we listen for your Word in burning bush and in all of creation.

Church Office Hours!

Our Office is open Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm

*the Office is closed during the lunch hour.

**** Please note that the office will be closed October 16-24th****

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!

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

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 or bottles/cans you dropped off.

*** \$544.70 has been brought in since January 1, 2018***

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.

For those who asked for a copy of the book "It's Good to Be Here" they have arrived. The Discussion group begins this Wednesday October 3 at 7:00 and will run for 6 weeks. We will meet in the Friendship Room. Books will be passed out on Wednesday (unless you come by the office and get your copy first before then).

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.

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.

Lifted by the wings of the Holy Spirit, we listen for your Word in the scriptures and in all of life.

Help us to swim together, part of that great school of Jesus' fish, held together by Christ's love.

Help us to live together, part of that great web of life, in every corner, every part of the circle, given being by the Creator's love.

Akwe Nia'Tetewá:neren (*pronunciation: aw gway—nyah day day waw—nay renh*).

All my relations! Alleluia! Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering Hymn: I Am the Church (See insert)

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

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Thank you, God-of-All!

**Thank you for the people who are in my life,
young and old, big and small, happy and sad,
here, and there, and all around your world.**

**Thank you for their wisdom,
thank you for their joy; thank you for their questions;
thank you for the life they share.**

Thank you, God-of-All,

**for the love that is in their lives, and for the love that is in me:
a love filled with hope and possibility, a love ready to heal, to share, to
transform, and to make new.**

Thank you, God-of-All.

Now. Always. Forever! In Christ's name we pray. Amen!

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

VIDEO

SERMON *What Story Would You Tell?*

Hymn: We Have This Ministry # 510 Voices United

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

WORLD

THE OFFERING

Mission Minute

The Invitation:

Dedication Offering Hymn: For the Fruit of All Creation (verse 2)
#227 Voices United

Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Hymn: Take My Life and Let It Be # 506 Voices United

COMMISSIONING:

Let us go into God's world

to be the neighbours God calls us to be.

Let us go into God's world

loving God, loving our neighbours, loving ourselves.

In word and in action. And in that love, let us be filled with thanks-giving.

For God goes with us! We are never, ever alone! Thanks be to God!

Sung Benediction: Go Gently, Go Lightly (see insert)

POSTLUDE

(Worship Resources for this Sunday taken from *Loving Our Neighbours*, the United Church of Canada Stewardship resource for 2018-19)

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 Loughhead

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"

Dates to Remember:

The 102 Street Stitchers.....

Quilters and Crafters are meeting again October 19th, bring a project, work together on a project, do a community or outreach project, whatever you choose! The Friendship Room is booked 10-3. Bring your lunch or coffee and goodies to share. Conversation and advice is free! If you want more info call Gail Schau or Sherry Alstad.

Annual Roast Beef Dinner and Silent Auction
Sunday, November 4^h
St Paul's United Church
Open seating from 4:30 – 6:30
Adults \$20.00 ~ Youth 6-14 \$10.00 ~ Under 5 - Free

Please contact Carla in the church office 780-532-2415 or Martha Dawson at 780-532-6675 if you are able to donate carrots, potatoes or would like to make a cash donation.

Items for the silent auction can be dropped off at the church and need to be clearly marked "Silent Auction". Please contact Sherry Alstad at 780-568-4679 if you have any questions.

Volunteers for dishes, set up, clean up etc. will be needed; silent auction donations and food donations too. Marge Riley will be contacting people for donations of salads, pies & to sign up for many tasks needing willing hands on the day.

So please watch the bulletin and listen for announcements this month
Tell your neighbours and friends to hold this date.

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 indicate your envelope # on your givings so it can be accorded to the correct person.

Rooms Booked With Carla In The Office Will Have First Priority. - We are very fortunate at St Paul's 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. We don't want to disappoint anyone if possible.