



**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH**  
**June 9, 2019**

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

WE APPROACH OUR GRACIOUS GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME: Praise God for This Holy Ground      Vs. 1&2      # 42 More Voices

LIFE & WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit is here among us

**Within us, around us, between us.**

The Spirit is here to strengthen us

**Bringing courage, bringing conviction**

The Spirit is here to move us

**Making us sing and praise.**

The Spirit is here.

**May we feel the Spirit as we gather.**

**May we be fed by her fiery strength.**

**May we be emboldened by her powerful wind**

Gathered together by the Spirit that flows from Christ, we greet each other with words and signs of Christ's Peace

WE GREET EACH OTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle as a sign of God's Spirit at work in the world,

**may its light brighten our spirits, may the light of God shining through us brighten the world.**

Opening ourselves to the breath of the Holy Spirit, we centre ourselves for worship.

OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of life and love, blow into our lives.

**Empower us, fill us with hope, lead us to be people of of the Spirit.**

Though our spirits may be willing, sometimes our flesh is weak,

**and our actions show the power of the works of the flesh.**

Idolatry, impurity, envy, anger, dissension, carousing, licentiousness...

**things that try to take control of our lives.**

In your grace, strengthen us,



**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

**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.

**Interac e-Transfer** is a simple, convenient, and secure way to send and receive money directly from one bank account to another. All you need is access to online or mobile banking through a participating financial institution, and you can send money to St. Paul's United Church — without sharing any personal financial information. It's a great alternative to cheques and cash.

To give using Interac e-Transfer please use this email address to send your donation to St. Paul's United Church - [secretary@stpaulsuc.ca](mailto:secretary@stpaulsuc.ca)

In the note field of your transaction request, please indicate your envelope number (if you have one, if not contact the Church office to get one) and what fund(s) you are wanting your donation to go to. You can split your donation between funds if you so desire. (Example: If your donations is \$100 your note could say - \$25 GF, \$50 MS, \$25 OU or any other combination of amounts and funds you would like to support).

Fund: (Code)

- General Fund                    (GF)
- Mission and Service        (MS)
- Capital Fund                    (CA)
- Outreach                        (OU)

Any donations made without a fund code will be considered a "General Funds" donation. After you have selected the amount and the fund, please email the answer to your security question to [secretary@stpaulsuc.ca](mailto:secretary@stpaulsuc.ca) so that we can accept your donation.

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## Looking Ahead – Save the Date(s)

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It's time to get your thinking cap on how you can support our second annual Time and Talent auction evening...with your time and or talent! Join us for the September 21, 2019



Sat. June 15th  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Eastlink Centre  
Stop by our St. Paul's  
table to say hi!

The first Sunday of each month there is a second offering that is dedicated to local outreach. This month from *May 1-30 we gave out 11 food/ gas vouchers for a total of \$500.00 from* our local outreach fund. Please consider donating "in good used condition" warm clothing such as mitts, gloves, socks, toques and bath towels for the Saint Lawrence Center. Thank you for your continued support.

Thursday is "coffice" day! Remember that on Thursday afternoons from 1-4 pm Gord can be found at the West end Starbucks. Join him for a drink and a chat.

**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

**PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE!** When locking the church doors please make sure that the door is actually latched. Thank you!

so that the Fruits of the Spirit would flow through our actions and our lives.  
Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control..  
**help us make these the touchstones of our lives.**  
We pray in the name of the Risen Christ.  
**Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: Come, O Spirit, Dwell among Us # 198 Voices United  
**WE SHARE AS GOD'S CHILDREN THE BIBLE'S STORY IN WORD AND IN**

**SONG:**

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART *A Covenant*

PRAYER FOR AND ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God, we aren't sure what to do with the prophetic voices in our world.

**We laugh them off, deciding they are drunk or deranged.**

The power of the Spirit is unfamiliar and unnerving,

**which is why we often prefer to avoid the wind and fire of Spirit-change.**

...time of silent prayer...

The Spirit blows into our lives as either a gentle breeze or a roaring wind. With the wind comes forgiveness and empowerment, igniting the fire of hope and possibility in our lives.

**We are forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen.**

GIFT OF MUSIC: Be present, in the Spirit of the Lord

Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Galatians 5:22-26

Matthew 7:16-20

Acts 2:1-4

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 *You Got Spirit in You?*

Hymn: Filled with the Spirit's Power

# 194 Voices United

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

THE OFFERING

Mission Minute

The Invitation:

Dedication Offering Hymn: The Church of Christ in Every Age # 601 Voices United  
Vs 5 & 3 tune of 558 VU

Reception of a New Member – Naomi Wiebe

Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns  
Celebration of Communion

Hymn: Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

# 196 Voices United

#### COMMISSIONING:

As a baptized and baptizing community,

**we have been claimed and commissioned by God.**

We are children of wind and fire, of water and Spirit

**We are Children of God, called to pass on God's love and hope.**

So go now into the world afire for God's justice, blow with the wind of peace and love.

**We go to share the Word of hope that speaks in all languages and breaks down divisions.**

Go with God: Parent, Child, and Spirit.

Sung Benediction: Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

# 507 Voices United  
Verse 4 only

POSTLUDE

**A minute or two for (financial) Stewardship** – revenue for the week ending May 26 is **\$3868.50**. This includes Sunday offering, PAR, and rental income (\$1830). The budget for local expenses is **\$4809** (annual budget divided by 52). A little short this week folks but the good news is that all the shingles have been funded. Thank you to all who have made the roof funding campaign a success.

Martha for the Stewardship and Finance Team

# Announcements

**Ministry by: The Congregation**

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

**Telephone: (780-532-2415) Email: [secretary@stpaulsuc.ca](mailto: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"*

**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.

#### **Church Office Hours!**

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

\*the Office is closed during the lunch hour.



**Compassionate Friends of Grande Prairie Support Group** meets here at St. Paul's in the friendship Room. The next few meeting dates are June 9<sup>th</sup>, July 21<sup>st</sup> and August 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

"Grief becomes a tolerable and creative experience only when love enables it to be shared with someone who really understands" Rev. Simon Stephen's, TCF Founder