



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
February 23, 2020

*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: In the Quiet of This Day Vs 1 & 2

LIFE & WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

God has called us to this place

We have responded for many different reasons

From our varied lives and busy-ness

We come to share our stories about why we have come.

Meeting each other as a part of the Body of 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

Jesus tells us that we are light to the world and encourages us to shine

The candle flame reminds us that we share the light that comes from Jesus, the Light of the World.

Gathered as people who are drawn to the light, we centre ourselves for worship.

OPENING PRAYER

We come to you, O God, our River of Life:

May we drink deeply, and receive your grace.

We come to you, O God, our Rock of Ages:

May we stand in trust, and receive your strength.

We come to you, O God, our Source of Compassion:

**May we open our hearts,
and receive your healing love. Amen.**

(Celebrate God's Presence p.27)

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering Hymn: Put Peace into Each Other's Hands # 173 More Voices

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

SONG:

A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

What Does The Church Mean to Me? Doug's Story

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1 Corinthians 12:14-26

Psalms 133

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)

REFLECTION

Hymn: In Star and Crescent

159 More Voices

WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO GOD AND PREPARE FOR

MINISTRY IN THE WORLD

THE OFFERING

Mission Minute :

The Invitation:

Dedication Offering Hymn: What Can I Do? 2X # 191 More Voices

Sharing of Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Hymn: Oh A Song Must Rise

142 More Voices

COMMISSIONING:

We have been invited to reflect on why we come here.

We have heard from one of our neighbours why they are here.

Now we go out to live the rest of our week.

Carrying with us the promise that God is here, but also in our homes and workplaces.

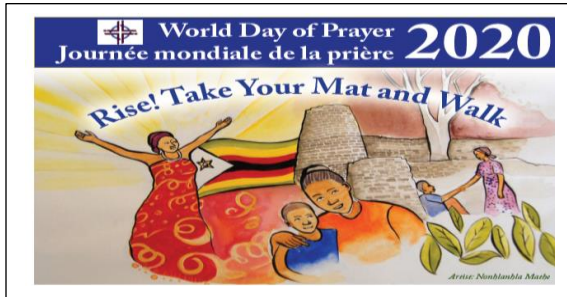
As we carry the love of God into the world around us we are not alone.

Thanks be to God!

Sung Benediction: May God's Sheltering Wings x2 #214 More Voices

POSTLUDE

LOOKING AHEAD



Friday, March 6th – 6:30 pm-
World Day of Prayer Rise!
Take your Mat and Walk @
The Salvation Army
Community Church 9525 –
83 Ave ,Refreshments to
follow!
Written by the WDP
committee from Zimbabwe

March 28 – Rising Above - Hope Lives Banquet

Enjoy Participants Stories, Silent and Live Auction and a Rising About Update.
Doors open at 5 pm at the Tara Centre – Evergreen park. Tickets available at Rising
Above 780-533-3025

Our annual garage sale will be held with

'pickups and deliveries' to the Armouries WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH,
sorting, displaying, and pricing with many willing workers on Thursday, April 30th
and doors are open: Thursday, April 30th at 5 pm – 8 pm
Friday, May 1st - 9 am – 8 pm
May 2nd. – 9 am to 12 noon

Please
begin sorting
and boxing
like items
together
and set
them aside
for the sale.

St Paul's
@ D Company
Armouries
9005 - 101 Street

Bargain's Galore on :

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DROP OFF Apr 29th 9:30 pm	Apr 30th 5pm-8pm	May 1st 9am-8pm	May 2nd 9am-Noon

May 9th @ 7pm **Steve Bell in Concert** at GP Alliance Church
– A benefit concert for Burden Bearers Counseling Centre!

We still have a few **Photo Directories** available. Please stop in the church office to
buy your copy for \$15.00

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"*

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 3 pm.
but closed over the noon hour.

This week's bulletins were graciously donated by Leo and Martha Dawson.

A Minute and 45 seconds for (financial) Stewardship – "Asking people for money is
giving them the opportunity to put their resources at the disposal of the kingdom. To
raise funds is to offer people the chance to invest what they have in the work of God"
quote from Henri Nouwen. Revenue for local including Sunday offering, PAR, and rent
(1530) for the week ending February 8 is \$ 4037. Budgeted for local expenses is
\$5560.
~Thank you for taking a "chance" on St. Paul's

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.

Thursday is "coffee" 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.

THIS WEEK at St. Paul's

Labyrinth Walks 7:00 pm February 23, March 22 and May 2nd

Please join us for meditation an inward journey on a sacred path.

Bible Study - Monday afternoons at 1:30

All are invited to a Bible Study as each week we will look at the Scripture readings for the next Sunday. This is your chance to help shape the sermon!

Focus scripture for Sunday,-February 23rd -

Tax receipts will be mailed out February 26th if not picked up before then.

Sunday, March 1st – 11:00 am – Annual Congregational Meeting

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. Drop them at the bottle depot on Resources Road and before you leave, check in with the cashier and let them know how many bags/boxes of bottles/cans you dropped off.

We have even provided some tags with the church number already printed.

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!

PLEASE NOTE: Sunday School has relocated upstairs in the former Nursery location. Come check out their bright new space.

Families with young children are welcome to continue to use this space as required for child care.

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!

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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

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 so that we can accept your donation