

St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. November 22nd, 2015

Reign of Christ Sunday

* Please stand as you are able or sit as you prefer *

Prelude I Need Jesus Thygerson

Introit *There is Room for All* MV 62

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing.

There is room for all sheltered in God's love.

And I rejoice and sing my refuge

and my rock in whom I trust.

There is room for all. There is room for all.

*Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all,

and also with you.

Welcoming the Light

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Come, let us celebrate the goodness of God.

God has blessed us with God's great love.

Let us come to this time, letting go of our worries.

Let us come to this time praising God.

Come, now is the time to worship.

We come rejoicing, for God is so good to us. AMEN.

Reading: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Opening Prayer

***Hymn** *Seek ye first the Kingdom of God* VU 356

Prayer of Reconciliation (Responsive)

While there are many with power in our world – power to hurt us, power to hire or fire us, power to control us – God has the power to forgive us and make us new people. Let us offer up our fear the power of the world, and welcome the power of God's grace.

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**Keep up to date on upcoming activities
and stay in touch in-between Sundays!**

<http://www.facebook.com/stpaulsunitedfredericton>

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Rev. Richards's Office Hours

Sunday: *Afternoon By Appointment*

Monday: *8:00—Noon, 1:00-4:00*

Tuesday: *8:00—Noon*

Wednesday: *1:00—4:00*

Thursday: *By Appointment*

Regular Weekly Activities

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4 pm Adult Learning Association

11:30-1 pm AA - Youth Lounge

Mon., Wed., Friday 12-1 pm Exercise Group - Gym

Tuesday & Thursday 1-4 pm Quilting - Quilter's Parlour

Tuesday & Saturday 7-9 pm AA - Youth Lounge

Monday 6-8 pm Shoe Box Dance - Gym

7 p.m. Men's Conversation Group

Last Monday (month) 7-8 p.m. Stress Release Exercisers—Hall

Tuesday 6:30-8 pm Beavers & Cubs - Gym

7 pm Fredericton Choral Society

7 pm River Valley Chorus-Sanctuary

Wednesday 9-11 am The Pantry

9:30-11:30 am Play Group - Gym

Share the joy of Christmas

... with a child



Check out the Children's Wish Tree at the front of the sanctuary after the service today. On it, you will find gift tags bearing Santa wishes from 40 children whose families are being looked after by the Fredericton Food Bank this Christmas. Select a tag for a boy or a girl, a tot or a teen. Please buy the gift the child would like and return it to the Church by **Sunday, November 29th**. **(Please write your name and the gift tag number you have selected on one of the index cards and place it in the basket by the tree. This will help us keep track of who has selected which angel).**

If you prefer, you can help by making a monetary donation in the White Gift envelope which will be included in the bulletins next week.

St. Paul's has always been generous in helping those who have little. Let us continue this tradition as we celebrate this wonderful time of year.



If you have any questions, please contact Caroline Phillips (carrieph74@gmail.com) or call 459-8586.

Multicultural Association of Fredericton presents:

Lunch and Learn sessions for Sponsorship Groups & Volunteers

When: Every Thursday 12-1:00pm

Where: Multicultural Association of Fredericton (MCAF)
28 Saunders Street, Rm. 136

Nov. 26: Orientation/Life skills sessions for newcomers

Dec. 3: Working with interpreters

Dec. 10: Health services

Dec. 17: Culture Shock cosman@nbnet.nb.ca

BREAKFAST OF HOPE/BAKE SALE - Please bring your family and friends to Brunswick Street Baptist Church on Saturday, November 21 between 8 and 10:30 am to have a delicious breakfast and to stock up on Christmas baking! The suggested cost of the breakfast is \$6 per person (or \$5 per person for families of three or more). All proceeds from the breakfast and bake sale will go to (1) send a team of 12 adults and youth on a 2016 short term mission trip to Kenya to help lead Kamp Tumaini [Camp Hope] and (2) sponsoring the orphaned and vulnerable children attending the camps under Canadian Baptist Ministries Guardians of Hope program.

A **candlelight vigil** is being held at City Hall in Fredericton on Monday November 23rd at 6 pm to remember all victims of terrorism throughout the world with particular attention to France, Lebanon, Nigeria and Kenya. On this occasion we ask all residence of Fredericton and surrounding area to attend the vigil by bringing a candle to be lit and to offer prayer and support of peace and solidarity for all people around the globe. If people are unable to attend the vigil in person, we kindly ask that the residence turn off their lights at home at 6:00pm to again show their support and to give a moment of peace through prayer, meditation or positive thoughts. During this vigil speakers will address the public and the song 'Imagine' by John Lennon shall be played. We thank you for your support and for positive messages of peace.

Gibson Memorial United Church will be hosting a “**Market & Breakfast**”, Nov. 28th, 8 a.m. – 12 noon; with all proceeds to the Fredericton Homeless Shelter. Market – Free (PartyLite, Wreaths, Sewing, Jewellery, Arbonne, Tupperware, Baking, Christmas Cards & Book Tables), Full Breakfast - \$7/adult and \$3/child.

The choices we make, Mighty God, reveal who we are. When we choose the wealth of this world, your word is not on our lips. When we choose independent and isolated lives, we do not reflect your Spirit in our actions towards others. When we choose to exalt the powerful of our day, we are unable to follow the One whose way gives us life. Forgive us, God. Do not turn your face from us, but help us to face ourselves honestly. We pray in Christ’s name. AMEN.

Assurance of God’s Love & Lord’s Prayer

Musical Gift *Do Lord / This Little Light of Mine* V. Hicks
Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Hymn *Jesus Loves Me (vs 1)* VU 365
*Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so,
little ones to him belong, in his love we shall be strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Prayers of the People

***Hymn** *Are You a Shepherd* MV 126

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *Holy, Holy, Holy* J Kidd

***Dedication Verse** VU 541

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures high and low.
Give thanks to God in love made known.
Creator, Word and Spirit One.*

Dedication Prayer (Unison)

From the beginning, you have blessed us with gifts beyond imagination, Creator of all. Until the end, may we share from your abundance, offering to you our thanksgiving and our gifts as healing, as hope, as joy for all in the world. AMEN.

Reading: *John 18:33–37* Rev. Richard
Anthem *Well With My Soul* J. Liles

Message
*Hymn

Seeking Truth
Rejoice the Lord is King

VU 213

***Commissioning (Responsive)**

Let us move from this place of worship, to the world in service,
Seeking the face of God in all we meet.

Benediction

Closing

Peace I Leave With You

J. Liles

Postlude

Immortal, Invisible

arr. Kendall

We invite you to stay and enjoy the postlude

Greeters: Katie & Eric Lakes

Coffee Hour Nov. 29 Worship Committee

Congregational Meeting today following Worship service to choose/name a joint search committee and to discuss our ministry and vision for the future.

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers

Christmas Wreath Sale



Double sided 12 inch balsam fir wreaths: undecorated \$12, decorated \$14 (pine cones, white cedar branches, red velvet bow). Please contact Sue Short at 455-5377, Anna Goddard at 459-8771 or Nancy MacGarvie at 455-3026. Deadline for orders is November 22, pick up November 29 at 83 Grey Street. Funds raised will be donated to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and the Help Lesotho Campaign.

New Member Sunday: November 29th

As we celebrate a new church year with the beginning of Advent, we will welcome those wishing to become members of this faith community. If you would like to **learn more about becoming a member**, or transferring your membership from another church, please contact Rev. Richard at 458-1183 or by email at rev.bowley@outlook.com

“The Observer” It’s renewal time! Subscription cost for 2016 is \$25. Please contact Cathy Simpson at 458-1183 to start or renew your subscription.



St. Paul’s Family Night
Pizza, Popcorn and a Movie



Families and youth are encouraged to join us for a Family Night in Fraser Memorial Hall on Saturday, November 28 beginning at 6:30 pm. Come and enjoy a family friendly movie, some pizza, and a bag of popcorn. For more information, please contact Jennifer and Brad Green at 454-7543.

United Church Calendars are available in the office for \$6. Please contact Cathy Simpson at 458-1183 if interested.

The **Annual Advent Carol Festival**, organized by our Music Director Alexis Ervin and members St. Paul’s choir, will take place here on Wednesday, December 2 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Twelve local church and community choirs will join us to present a program of new, as well as familiar, Christmas music. This is a fundraiser for the Fredericton Food Bank; a freewill offering will be received. The event has raised more than \$100,000 over the past 25 years. We look forward to your continued support.

Men’s Conversation Group: Tomorrow (Monday) at 7 p.m. in the Parlour, the Men’s Conversation Group will continue.

Open Bible Study: This afternoon’s Bible study will be held at **2 p.m. in the Ladies Parlour** on the main level. Readings for today (and beyond) are on the website at <http://www.stpaulsunited.ca/open-bible-study/>

Financial Contributions for Nov., 15, 2015

2015 Weekly Budget
\$5,200.00

Envelopes 4,779.25
Loose 53.00
PAR 1,845.55



6,677.80

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts