

## Financial Contributions for May 08, 2016

2016 Weekly Budget for May		\$ 5,000.00
Envelopes	3,595.00	
Loose	86.20	
PAR	<u>2,017.48</u>	
	\$ 5,698.68	<b>+ \$ 698.68</b>

### Monthly PAR contributions:

Operating	\$ 8,742.40
Mission & Service	\$ 508.50
Restoration	\$ 50.00
Benevolent	\$ <u>20.00</u>
	<b>\$ 9,320.90</b>

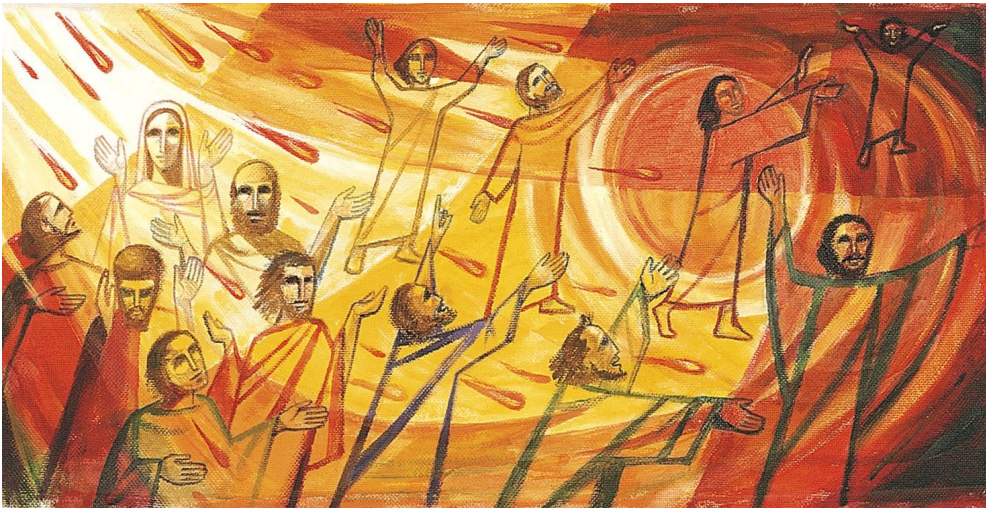
For 12 months \$111,850.80



### Please come join the PAR team.....

You can help increase this figure by joining the "Par Team" or increase your monthly PAR contributions, let's try to increase the total for the year to \$125,000. Cathy has the forms in the office and it is very easy to join and contribute by PAR (pre-authorized remittance).

*Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply our gifts*



# Pentecost Sunday



St. Paul's  
United Church

May 15, 2016



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10:30 a.m. May 15th, 2016

## Pentecost

\* Please stand as you are able, sit as you prefer \*

**Prelude** Sing a New Church arr. Englert

### We Gather in Community

#### \*Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the power of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### Call to Worship (Responsive):

When we feel alone, when we feel rejected

**come, Holy Spirit, Come!**

When we feel drained and dried up, and we can't give any more,

**come, Holy Spirit, Come!**

When we are unsure of how to move or where to go or what to do,

**come, Holy Spirit, Come!**

Come, Holy Spirit, revive us, move in us,  
and encourage us on the journey of faith.

**Come, Holy Spirit, Come!**

\*Introit: *Dance with the Spirit* MV 156

***Dance with the Spirit early in the morning,  
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day,  
work and hope for a new life a-bornin',  
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.***

#### Prayer of Approach

**Tween Singers** Spirit of God Medical Mission Sisters

**Time for the Young at Heart:** *Sung Communion (see insert)*

\*Story Time Hymn: *Come, O Spirit* VU 198

## St. Paul's Contact Information

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

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### Office Hours

#### Rev. Richard

**Sunday:** By appointment  
**Monday:** 8:30—Noon, 1-4 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** 8:30—Noon  
**Wednesday:** By appointment

**Thursday:** 8:30—Noon

*These hours are subject to change due to Emergency Pastoral Care, meetings and other church business elsewhere.*

#### Pastor Sarah

By appointment  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
a.m. by appointment,  
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
By appointment

### Regular Weekly Activities

<b>Monday-Friday</b>	8:30 am-4 pm	Adult Learning Association
	11:30-1 pm	AA - Youth Lounge
<b>Mon., Wed., Friday</b>	12-1 pm	Exercise Group - Gym
<b>Monday</b>	6:45 pm	Men's Book Study - Ladies Parlour
<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
<b>Tuesday &amp; Saturday</b>	7-9 pm	AA - Youth Lounge
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30-8 pm	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
	7 pm	River Valley Chorus-Sanctuary
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Joint Search Committee—L Parlour
<b>Thursday</b>	7 pm	Senior Choir - Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	11:45am-12:15pm	Children's Choir & Tween's Choir

**Sunday Evening Benefit Concert for Refugee Sponsorship:**

Karon Croll, Contralto, and Ruth Nieboer, Piano will present a Benefit Concert on Sunday evening, May 15th, 7:00 pm at Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Admission by Free Will Offering with reception to follow in Church Hall. Concert Proceeds will go to the Refugee Sponsorship Fund for our Syrian family. Please join us for an outstanding evening of musical entertainment.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a "**Stuffed Pork Loin Dinner**" on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 4 – 6 p.m. Tickets; \$13/adult and \$3/child. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a "**Breakfast & Yard Sale**" on Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. Breakfast \$7/person. Everyone is welcome!

**Sunday School Picnic**  
**June 19th**  
**Watch for details in the**  
**upcoming bulletins**




**All  
are  
welcome**

**Prayer of Confession (Unison):**

***Awesome God, we come in humility, confessing who and what we are. We are often unresponsive for we are afraid. When your Spirit speaks, it falls on deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do. When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your Word. When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring. For these, and all we have done to stifle your Spirit - forgive us, O Lord. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.***

**Words of Assurance**

**We Listen for the Voice of the Spirit**

**\*Sung Prayer for Grace:** (Tune VU #437)

***We come to you with hearts that are open,  
to you, and to each other here.***

***We seek, dear Lord, your grace upon us,  
that we may love you and know you are near.***

**Gospel Lesson:** John 14:8-17, 25-27

Julian Walker

One: The Gospel of Christ

***All: Praise be to you, O Christ***

**Anthem**

Spirit of God, Descent Upon My Heart

arr. Parks

**Second Lesson:** Acts 2:1-21

Rev. Richard

One: Herein is Wisdom

***All: Thanks be to God***

**Message**

*The Winds of the Spirit*

**Affirmation of Our Faith**

VU 918

**\*Hymn:**

*My Soul Cries Out*

MV 120

**We Respond to the Spirit**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory**

Il Sonno

Vivaldi

**\*Dedication Verse:** *Grant Us, God, The Grace* VU 540  
*Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
 with a spirit large and free  
 that ourselves and all our living,  
 we may offer faithfully.*

**\*Dedication of the Offering**  
*Pentecost God, take our hearts and set them on fire. Take our  
 lives and transform them. Take our church and resurrect it with  
 your life-giving Spirit. Take our gifts and use them for the  
 fulfillment of your vision of peace and unity. AMEN*

**Prayers of the People**

**\*Hymn:** *Oh A Song Must Rise* MV 142

**\*Blessing and Sending Forth**  
 As we enter a brand new week,  
*may we experience God's presence.*  
 May we feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit  
*over our heads and our thoughts and the words of our lips,  
 over our hearts and our feelings and emotions and our  
 compassion for all others, and over our hands and our feet*  
 as we put into action all that God commands us to do.  
*As we enter a brand new week,*  
 may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
 fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with each and every one of us.  
**AMEN**

**\*Choral Closing:** *Spirit of Life* VU 381  
*Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
 Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
 Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
 move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
 Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
 Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.*

**Postlude** See How Great the Flame Aspires Scriveyher

***We invite you to stay and enjoy the postlude***

**Ushers:** Left Side: Linda & Alastair Lamont  
 Middle: Isabel Green  
 Right Side: Tammy Coughlan & Dean Jones  
 Upstairs: Barb & Mel McGuigan  
**Coffee Hour:** May 22: Ministry & Personnel

Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to the family and friends of Vera Howell who passed away last week, her memorial service was held on Wednesday at Bishops.

We also wish to extend our sympathies and prayers to Dow Johnston in the death of his sister Pauline (Polly) Mountain of Fredericton. Polly passed away on May 5th.

Bulletin covers for this Sunday's service have been donated in loving memory of Don and Phyl Peacock by their daughters Carole Peacock, Judy Thorne and Debbie Seymour.

**Men's Discussion Group:** Monday, May 16 at 6:45 p.m.

**Celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit!** Following the service, there will be cake along with coffee and conversation in Fraser Memorial Hall.

Because of the **Maritime Conference Annual Meeting** taking place May 26-29, most ministers of the United Church of Canada will be away from their churches. For worship on **May 29th**, we are once again coming together as Downtown United at **Wilmot United** Church. Worship is at **11 a.m.** and will be led in partnership between congregants of St. Paul's and Wilmot. Don't miss this opportunity for fellowship and praise!

**Volunteer help needed:** Cathy is still in need of 2 bulletin folders for the fall. It is only 1 hour, once a month on a Friday morning or afternoon (with summer months off!). Please call Cathy if you are able to assist 458-1183.