

St. Paul's United Church

World Food Sunday - October 15th, 2017

Portions of the service printed in bold are spoken by the whole congregation.

At the points marked * - those who are able are invited to stand.

John 20:21-23 - Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Organ Prelude: Sketch Schumann

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.

Lighting of the Christ Candle & Introit: MV 122

Welcome & Announcements

* **Gathering Hymn:** O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee VU 560

* Call to Worship (Responsive):

By your name and because of your gifts, you are called to pray, to act, to sing, and to serve.

Speak, O Lord, and inspire us to use all that we have and all that we are in service and in celebration of you!

By your name and because of your gifts, you are called to a future that is mysterious and yet filled with God's light.

Speak, O Lord, and show us where we might go, using your strength to support, and your power to heal.

By your name and because of your gifts, you have been called to this place.

Speak, O Lord, for your servants are listening!

Prayer of the Day

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Children's Choir Thanksgiving Day and Everyday Dengler

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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	Rev. Michelle
Sunday:	By Appointment	By Appointment
Monday:	8:30—12	9-12, afternoon by appointment
Tuesday:	8:30—12	9-12, afternoon by appointment
Wednesday:	By Appointment	9-12:30, 1:30-4
Thursday:	8:30—12	By appointment

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

Upcoming 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
Monday	7 pm	Spirit Sisters - Ladies Parlour
Tuesday & Thursday	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
Tuesday & Saturday	7-9 pm	AA - Youth Lounge
Tuesday	10 am (cancelled)	Sr. Bible Study
	6:30-8 pm	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
	7 pm	F'ton Choral Society
	7 pm	River Valley Chorus-Sanctuary
Wednesday	10 am	Parlour Prayers
	7 pm	Men's Conversation Group
Thursday	7 pm	Senior Choir Practice - Hall
Friday (1st and 3rd)	6:30-9 pm	Youth Group
Sunday	11:45 am	Children's Choir - Ladies Parlour

Financial Contributions

October, 2017

2017 Weekly Budget for October		\$6,200.00
Envelopes (Oct. 8)	987.05	
Loose Offering	122.00	
Thanksgiving Offering	2,505.00	
PAR	<u>2,448.73</u>	
	\$ 6,062.78	- \$ 137.22

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

Sexton Position:

St. Paul's is looking to hire a full time Sexton, if you or someone you know is interested please contact the M&P committee or drop off a resume at the office. Details of this position are posted on the bulletin board.

Youth Group will meet on the first and third Fridays from 6:30-9pm. The next gathering is Oct. 20th. Youth are also invited to join the new Sunday morning class for grade 5 and up where the program will be exploring a variety of topics including why do we do what we do in church, how do we respond to world events around us, and practices that help us deepen our practices of God.

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers invites you to join us on October 19th at 7pm at Westminster Books for the official launch of "Powered By Love": A Grandmother's Movement to End AIDS in Africa, by Joanna Henry and Ilana Landsberg-Lewis. Joanna and special African guests will be there to talk about the book and share their stories. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at this event. All royalties from the sales of Powered by Love will be directed to the Stephen Lewis Foundation to support organizations run by and for African grandmothers who are raising children orphaned by AIDS www.grandmotherspoweredbylove.com

We welcome two newcomers to our congregation, Mariano & Filemon. They have come to us from Oaxaca, Mexico! These gentlemen are interested in making Fredericton their home and are looking for information on becoming permanent residents. In the meantime, they would appreciate any odd jobs you might have to help them with their expenses as they get settled. They have experience in farming, landscaping, hotel customer service and teaching Spanish or English as a second language. If you are able to assist them with any advice or know anyone who could use a hand with fall clean up etc, contact Kelly Simpson 455-8365, or cell ~~476-365 as they don't have a local phone number yet.~~ Thanks!!

Gibson Memorial United Church will be hosting a "**Turkey Dinner**" on Wednesday, Oct. 18th, 4 – 6 p.m. Tickets: Adult \$14; Child \$3. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

New Maryland United is hosting a **BBQ Salmon Supper** at the New Maryland Centre on Sunday, October 15. Sittings are 4 PM and 5:30 PM. Take outs also available. Tickets are \$17.00. To purchase tickets, call 459-3313 (leave a message) or 447-0784. Tickets are also available at door.

LISTENING FOR TRUTH

Today's Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-21 Andrew Steeves
Herein is wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem Come Down Lord Pethel
Sermon Speak, O Lord Rev. Richard

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn:** Here I Am, Lord VU 509

Sharing our Gifts Christian Education Committee

Offertory Music Chorale Prelude on Quem Pastores Willan
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.**

* **Prayer of Dedication**
* **Reaffirmation of Faith** VU 918
Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENDING FORTH

* **Closing Hymn:** Go Make A Difference MV 209

* **Commissioning & Benediction (Responsive):**
You've heard the call, and know the way,
**we see you going before us, O God, leading us through
night and day.**

Know that within you lies something treasured by God, a gift you are called to share with the world.

**Gladly and eagerly we go to the world to use all that we
have and all that we are in service to and celebration of the
God who continues to call to us.**

Now go with the love of God in your hearts, the peace of Christ in your hands, and the power of the Holy Spirit at your backs, go to the world to share the Good News you have heard this day.

AMEN

Choral Closing: God Be with You (vs 1) VU 422
**God be with you till we meet again,
 Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
 With a shepherd's care enfold you;
 God be with you till we meet again.**

Ministry of Music: Toccata Henderson
We invite you to stay and enjoy the Ministry of Music

Greeters: Sadie Miller & Shirley MacLeod
Ushers: Left Side: Linda & Alastair Lamont
 Right Side: Tammy Coughlan & Dean Jones
 Middle: Isabel Green
 Upstairs: Hope, Andrew, Graham & Laura Steeves
Coffee: Senior Choir
Coffee: October 22 UCW

A donation has been made to the Operating Fund in memory of Gil MacKenzie by Jane Kerr.



Flowers have been placed in the Sanctuary this morning in loving memory of David Walker by his parents Julian & Carolyn and the family. David passed away after 10 years of fighting brain cancer in 2010.

Today in Sunday School: October unit: : From Shepherd to King. Anchor Point: We can love and serve God. Bible Verse for the month: "The Lord sees into the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7. Bible Story: David and Jonathan, 1 Samuel 18:1-5, 20:1-42. Saul's son Jonathan and David developed a great friendship which only grew stronger when Saul tried to kill David. Jonathan helped David escape but showed his commitment to his father by staying with him and not leaving with David.

The **INTERCHURCH REFUGEE COMMITTEE** is having an informal reception for our newest refugee family, to welcome them to Fredericton. Reception is **this afternoon 2-4pm**. All members of St. Paul's are invited to attend and meet the family. Family consists of mother, father, 3 adult girls and a 4yr.old boy.

Our Second **Bring a Friend to Church Sunday** happens on **Sunday October 29th**. Show a friend what church means to you by bringing them along! As a new added bonus, come early for our first **Sing Song**. It will run from 10:10 to 10:25 and we'll be singing some familiar favourites. As always, there will be a potluck lunch following the service, so bring some food to share and an appetite for all kinds of goodies.

UCW will be making pies on Thursday October 19th at 9 am. Come and lend a hand and please bring your rolling pin. There will be a sheet on the bulletin board for pie orders, large \$12.00 and small \$6.00. Please contact Donna Chauvin for information 458-5885.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 10 a.m. in the Ladies Parlour, Chris Grant will lead this group.

Spirit Sisters: Mondays from 7-8 pm. All women are invited to join us as we explore what a Christian life looks like through 6 markers - spiritual practices, worship, community, serving, giving and sharing Christ.

Men's Conversation Group: Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Ladies' Parlour. Men of the congregation, wherever you are on your faith journey, are invited to join in this study and conversation time.

Monday, October 30 at 7 PM will be a very different 'night out' for concert goers at St. Paul's United Church! A unique cinema experience with a twist is offered when we show one of the greatest silent films ever made, the classic 1925 film version of **The Phantom of the Opera**, starring Lon Chaney, together with live, improvised organ accompaniment from international recitalist David Drinkell. This was cinema as it used to be with a musician trying to capture the mood as the silent movie's images flash across the silver screen. Free will offering. Produced by Dr. Sharon Pond, "A Silent Haunting" it is a unique event as St. Paul's United Church transforms itself into the world of silent film and, accompanied by David on our 70-year-old Casavant organ, provides a heady and exhilarating evening's entertainment.