

St. Paul's United Church

October 29th, 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 2:19-21 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body.

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Organ Prelude: Pastorale Mendelssohn

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:** Let us Build a House MV 1

* Call to Worship (Responsive):

Stones and mortar, wood and nail.

In this building we find so much more.

Ancient writings, familiar rituals, worship flowing in praise and prayer.

In these practices we find so much more.

People gather, rich and poor, old and young, sick and healthy, broken and whole.

In this gathered people we find so much more.

For here is the church, God's people listening for and responding to God's call.

We the church gather to worship and pray and in this time we will find so much more.

Prayer of the Day

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

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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	Sr. Bible Study: Aging Gracefully
	cancelled 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. 22)	1,006.10	
Loose Offering	58.05	
Thanksgiving	170.00	
PAR	<u>2,448.73</u>	
	\$ 3,682.88	- \$2,517.12

Interested in PAR? You can help increase the above figure by joining the **“PAR Team”** or by increasing your monthly PAR contributions. Contact Cathy Simpson in the office at 458-1183 if you are interested in either option. Offering envelopes are available if you care to donate by that system.

Bulletin Announcements: Please ensure that all announcements reach Cathy's office (458-1183) by 10 a.m. on Wednesday to be included in the following Sunday bulletin. Many thanks—Cathy

If you wish to donate the bulletin covers for a Sunday service in memory of a loved one please contact Cathy at 458-1183. A form has been placed on the bulletin board indicating which dates are left to choose from. (\$40 per week)

November 5: Remembrance Sunday

(don't forget the time change...)

Pantry Sunday

They are in need of the following items:

- waxed paper
- instant Coffee
- oatmeal porridge
- Cookies
- juice
- Chez whiz
- cereal
- Kraft dinner
- facial tissues
- rice
- Ketchup
- small fruit cups
- mayonnaise
- baking items: soda, powder
- tooth brushes

Family Hymn: Spirit of the Living God (vs 2) VU 376

LISTENING FOR TRUTH

Today's Scripture: 1 Kings 5:1-5, 8:1-13 Linda Lamont
Herein is wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem Canon of Praise Pachelbel, arr. Hopson
Sermon When God Comes to Stay

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn:** Abide with Me (vs. 1, 3,5) VU 436

Sharing our Gifts Trustees Andrew Steeves
Offertory Music Variations on St. Peter Johnson
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:** I Can Feel You Near Me God MV 48

* **Commissioning & Benediction (Responsive):**
In this building God is found,
but the stones and mortar cannot contain God's Glory.
In the practices of our faith in worship, we engaged God's story,
but these acts do not tell the full story of God's presence.
As we Gathered together we connected with each other
but we also come to know each of us is part of the body of Christ.
In these walls, through our worship
we the gathered people found communion with God and each other becoming the church.
You are the church and no walls can contain the Holy Spirit moving in and through you.

So we go out into the world, to share God's glory and grace and the good news of God's great love.

Go now to live this high calling as disciples of Christ in the confidence that you do not travel alone, for God is always with you.

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 & Fugue in D minor Bach

We invite you to stay and enjoy the Ministry of Music

Greeters: Winston & Marilyn Keirstead

Ushers: Left Side: Alastair & Linda Lamont

Center: Isabel Green

Right Side: Allison Gorrill & Roger Miller

Upstairs: Mel & Barb McGuigan

Coffee: Worship

Coffee: November 5 Property Management

Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to Barb and Mel McGuigan in the death of Mel's brother, Ronald McGuigan of Millville. Ronald passed away on October 14th.

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 Dances, 1 Samuel 6:1-19. David became king after Saul and Jonathan died in battle. The day David brought the chest of God to the tabernacle in Jerusalem was a day of great celebration. David danced before the Lord with all his might.

Please be advised that Rev. Michelle and Cathy will be out of the office on Tuesday, Oct. 31 and Wednesday, Nov. 1 on First Aid Training. Debbie Allison will be covering the office for this time.

Thank you St. Paul's from the Interchurch Refugee Committee for receiving our newest refugee family so warmly at the reception on Sunday afternoon, October 15th. The family, Fatima, Ammar and their children Leen, (five years old) and baby Omar, (five months old) were very appreciative of your attendance and so enjoyed all the conversations and interactions. Fatima and Ammar asked that their thanks be conveyed to everyone. They are a lovely family and they said they would like to have all of you come and visit them.



Tomorrow, 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.

Youth Group will be gathering this Friday November 3rd at the church. Be prepared for some creative art, game and planning on how we can help those in need. Youth are also invited to join the new class for grade 5 and up. This class gathers at the front of the sanctuary when the children come forward for story time, and head to their classroom after the scripture is read. In this upper level class we will be exploring the scriptures and how they connect with our lives.