

# St. Paul's United Church

October 7th, 2018 – Thanksgivings and World Communion Sunday

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.

*Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.*

*Matthew 5:17 - 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil.*

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

**Prelude:** Lento Espresso Ketelbey

### \*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 the Christ Candle

\* **Introit:** O Let the Power Fall on me MV 13

**O Let the power fall on me, my Lord,  
Let the power fall on me.  
Let the power from heaven fall on me,  
Let the power fall on me.**

## Welcome & Announcements

\* **Gathering Hymn:** Come Ye Thankful People VU 516

### \* Call to Worship (Responsive):

Come on this day set aside for thanksgiving and praise.

**We come with grateful hearts, yet anxious minds.**

Come to remember and be still.

For it is in these sacred, gratitude-filled moments that we find answers.

**We come longing for wisdom and peace to fill our spirits.**

As we worship God together,

let us be open to receiving all the gifts of God.

Let us be ready to respond to God's calls to service.

**Let us worship God.**

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### \*New\* Office Hours

	<b>Rev. Richard</b>	<b>Rev. Michelle</b>	<b>Pastor Sarah</b>
<b>Cell:</b>	(506)262-2150	(306)858-7602	(613)329-6315
<b>Sun.:</b>	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment
<b>Mon.:</b>	9am - noon	10 am - noon	8:30 am - noon
<b>Tues.:</b>	By Appointment	By Appointment	1-3 pm
<b>Wed:</b>	12-2 pm	10:30-12:30 pm	Day off
<b>Thurs.:</b>	12-2 pm	12-2 pm	8:30-12
<b>Fri.:</b>	Day off	Day off	By Appointment

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

## Upcoming Weekly Activities

<b>Monday-Friday</b>	8:30 am-4 pm	Adult Learning Association English Second Language
	11:30-1 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
<b>Mon., Wed., Friday</b>	12-1 pm	Exercise Group - Gym
<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
<b>Mon., Tues. &amp; Sat.</b>	7-9 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
<b>Mon-Thurs</b>	6:30-8 pm	Taekwondo
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30-8 pm	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
	7 pm	F'ton Choral Society
<b>Wednesday</b>	9 - 11am	Pantry
<b>Thursday</b>	7-8:15 pm	Senior Choir
<b>Friday (1st and 3rd)</b>	7-9:30 pm	Youth Group (not Oct 26+Nov 3)
<b>Saturday</b>	10 am-noon	Taekwondo

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S

October 29th	Silent Film (Sanctuary) 7 p.m.
November 3rd	Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
November 4th	Anniversary Sunday 10:30 am
November 24th	UCW Christmas Bazaar
November 30th	Carols by Glow Stick 6-7 pm
December 5th	Advent Carol Festival 7:30 pm

Mark your calendars now as you won't want to miss any of these special events.

The UCW of Nashwaaksis United (46 Main St.) will be holding their annual **BRIDGE LUNCHEON** on Thursday, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, at 12 noon. Please call Connie at 472-4744 to reserve your table (\$40).

**New Maryland United Church Salmon Supper**, Sunday, Oct. 14 at New Maryland Rec Centre (754 New Maryland Highway). Sittings: 4 PM and 5:30 PM . Take-Outs Available - Tickets \$17 Call 459-3313 or 455-1948

**Roast Pork Dinner**, Saturday, October 20, 5:30 pm, Nashwaaksis United, 46 Main Street. Enjoy roast pork with all the trimmings including homemade apple sauce, and carrot cake. Cost is \$14. Call Rindy or Tom Austin at 450-7151 for reservations. Limited seating - reserve early.

**Roast Beef Super:** Keswick Ridge United, Sat., Oct. 27 Home Baking and Handicraft Sale, Sponsored by the UCW Sittings at 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. Take-outs Available ADULTS - \$15.00 CHILDREN - \$7.00 Advance Tickets Only Please Call: C. Sheppard at 363-2284 or B. Kelly at 363-2739

A **Craft Sale** will be held on Sat., Nov 3 from 9 to 2 at Grace Memorial Baptist Church, corner of Northumberland and Connaught. Proceeds from table rentals will go towards a Mission Trip to the Philippines 2019.

### Prayer of Approach

<b>Family Hymn:</b>	I Have Called You (vs 1)	MV 161
<b>Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart</b>		
<b>Family Hymn:</b>	I Have Called You (vs 2)	MV 161

### Prayer of Confession (Unison):

**Generous God, there is so much in our lives for which we can give thanks, but we often forget. There is abundance in our lives, but we end up noticing what we don't have. There are opportunities all around us to be your priestly people, yet we let those moments pass without acting. Open our hearts to your grace and your presence which calls us to see and respond in new ways. Amen**

Adapted from Beth W Johnston, Gatherings Pentecost 2, pg 44

### Assurance of God's Love

#### LISTENING FOR TRUTH

<b>Anthem</b>	On Eagle's Wings	Joncas, arr. Wagner
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**Today's Scripture:** Exodus 19:3-7; 20:1-17 Beth Henderson  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Message

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* <b>Hymn:</b>	Holy Spirit, Hear Us	VU 377
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* <b>Affirmation of Faith</b>		VU 918
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### \* Invitation to Offering

<b>Offertory Music</b>	A Song of Thanksgiving	Bailey
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* <b>Dedication Verse:</b>	We Praise you, O God	VU 218
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**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name: glad praises we sing.**

### \* Prayer of Dedication

**Communion (see insert)**

**SENDING FORTH**

\* **Closing Hymn:** Lead On, O Cloud of Presence VU 421

\* **Commissioning & Benediction (Responsive):**

God is faithful and God is good.

Surrounded by the love and care of God let us go now,

**We go with thanksgiving ringing in our hearts,**

**We go with thanksgiving rising to our lips,**

**We go with thanksgiving flowing from us to the world!**

**Amen**

Adapted from Kate Crawford, gatherings Pentecost 2 2017, pp 44

\* **Choral Closing:** Peace be With you MV 215

**Peace be with you, peace forever,**

**peace be with you my friends.**

**Till we meet again, may God be with you.**

**Peace, peace, peace.**

**Ministry of Music:** Largo Handel

***Please feel free to stay and enjoy the postlude***

**Greeters:** Susan & Graeme Spencer  
**Ushers:** Left Side: John Gaskin & Maude McNamara  
Center: Isabel Green  
Right Side: Kennedy MacIsaac & Lois Walker  
Upstairs: Katie & Eric Lakes

**Coffee Hour:** Worship

A donation has been made to the Music Fund in memory of Kaye Dingee and Marilyn Garland by Douglas Warman.

A donation has been made to the Pantry in memory of Marilyn Garland by Gladys MacKenzie.

A donation has been made to the Pantry by the UCW in memory of Jean Kingston.



**Announcements**

October is **Clergy Appreciation month**. Our ministers are there for us in good times and in bad and we don't always remember to thank them for their hard work and dedication. Take this opportunity to let Rev. Richard, Rev. Michelle and Pastor Sarah know how much they mean to you. Look for cards in the pews and take a minute to write a note!

**Today in Sunday School...**October unit: We Are Family. Bible Verse for the month: "Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one! (Psalm 133:1) Bible Story: Family Blessings, Genesis 25: 19-34; 27: 1-46). In today's story, Jacob showed actions that led to distrust and disobedience. Yet in God's choice of Jacob as the promise bearer, we see hope for us all. Sometimes God chooses the ordinary people in this world to become leaders to show God's power. No one can brag in God's presence.

The kingdom "belongs" not only to the children but also to all who receive it in childlike faith.

**Youth Group**

Friday October 12, 7-9:30 is our next Youth Group gathering. Games night, so bring a game and also be ready for some fun party game challenges. Because God laughs and delights in us, so let us laugh and delight in each other.

Last week the youth led service at Forest Hill, October 14 they lead the worship service they created here at St. Paul's. Come out experience our youth leading us in worship and our children's choir gracing us with song.

**Silent Film: Monday, October 29th at 7 pm** (in the Sanctuary )

Come and enjoy "The General" starring Buster Keaton with organ improvisation by David Drinkell, produced by Dr. Sharon Pond . Free Will Offering

**Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, November 3rd, 8:30 a.m. Menu: Pancakes, sausages, tea/coffee. There will be a guest speaker and our brothers from Wilmot United will also be invited to join us. Free Will Offering. Please call Blaine Irving for further information and to book your spot. 476-1810

**Campus Ministry**— Did you know that St. Paul's supports students and staff at UNB? Through the Fredericton council for Christian Ministry on Campus we help support the presence of a chaplain Rev. Brett Anderson. If you know a student in need of support encourage them to contact Rev. Brett!