

# St. Paul's United Church

October 28th, 2018 - 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

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.*

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

**Prelude:** Sketch Schumann

**# 1 \* Greeting:** (Based on *A Song of Faith* - United Church of Cda.)

God is Holy Mystery, beyond complete knowledge, above perfect description.

**“Yet, in love, the one eternal God seeks relationship”  
with all of creation, including each of us.**

**\* Lighting the Christ Candle**

**#2 \* 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.**

**#3 Welcome & Announcements**

**\* Gathering Hymn:** God of The Bible MV 28

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

God, who called an entire nation

**to a time of desert wandering,  
while they worked out the full meaning  
of being people of God,**

still calls people to follow in faith

into the risk of new challenges

and the promise of new possibilities.

**Today, this community hears and responds to such a call.**

Let us worship God!

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## \*New\* Office Hours

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<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
	7 pm	Barber Shopper Chorus
<b>Wednesday</b>	9 - 11am	Pantry
<b>Thursday</b>	7-8:15 pm	Senior Choir
<b>Friday</b>	7-9:30 pm	Youth Group (next on Nov. 16)
<b>Saturday</b>	10 am-noon	Taekwondo

**Upcoming Youth Event:** Popcorn Creation and Sale OCT 29th 3:30pm til 9pm. Come for all or part of the evening! Funds raised from this activity support our program. Nov 3 Pumpkin Smash 2-4 @ Forest Hill United Church.

**Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, **November 3rd**, 8:30 a.m. Pancakes, sausages, tea/coffee. Guest Speaker Brian Scott will speak on his trip to Slave Lake where he worked with a local church reaching out to at-risk youth. 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

After 2 years of selling cookie dough, we took last year off. Many customers missed us so we're back! 3-pound pails of frozen cookie dough (48 cookies) for \$12. Dough is re-freezable if you don't want to use it all in one session. Delicious flavours: chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin, ginger, double chocolate, rainbow chip and shortbread. We are taking orders until **Monday, Nov. 5**. Delivery will be on Friday, Nov. 16. I will bring it to your door! You can order by calling 452-1016. Advance payment appreciated but not necessary - your credit is good! Thank you, - Elm City Echoes.

**Fresh Double Sided Evergreen Wreaths:** Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers Fredericton are selling fresh, double sided Christmas wreaths. We support grandmothers in Africa with a variety of resources including food, school fees, medicines, counseling, and more. November 4 and 25, Nancy MacGarvie will be taking orders at coffee time after church for undecorated 12 inch balsam fir wreaths @ \$13 each and for decorated ones @ \$15 each (with a single red bow). Or you can call Nancy at 455-3026 or Sue Short at 455-5377. The wreaths will be ready for pick up at Wilmot Church in the gym on December 2nd.

As a downtown church, we are aware that some of our participants could suffer from an opioid overdose. AIDS NB offers a short session on how to respond to a potential **opioid overdose** while waiting for 911. Wilmot United is working with AIDS NB to coordinate a presentation. Please email Lynn MacKinnon at [mlmack@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:mlmack@nbnet.nb.ca) if you are interested (1-2 hour information session). There is no fee, for more information (view an online training video), please see the AIDS NB website. <http://www.aidsnb.com/en/naloxone>

### # 5 Prayer of Approach

**Family Hymn:** I Have Called You (vs 1) MV 161  
**# 6 Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart**  
**# 7 Family Hymn:** I Have Called You (vs 2) MV 161

### # 8 Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Lord, we have lived as unwise people.

**God, forgive us for wasting time.**

We have been foolish.

**Jesus, forgive us for not understanding your will.**

We have filled ourselves with the wine of worldliness.

**Holy Spirit, forgive us for not being filled with you.**

Holy God, Wholly Mystery, we have forsaken your spiritual food.

**God of Grace, Father of all Wisdom, forgive us for not drawing our strength from your bread of heaven.**

Almighty God, please add to your mighty deeds by forgiving our transgressions, both those things we have done, and those we have left undone. *(Silent Confession)*

### Assurance of God's Love

#### LISTENING FOR TRUTH

**# 9 Anthem** Saviour of My Heart arr. Angerman  
**# 10 Today's Scripture:** 1 Kings 3: 4-28 Chris Grant  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**  
**# 11 Message**

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**# 12 \* Hymn:** The Lord's Prayer VU959  
**# 13 \* Invitation to Offering**  
**Offertory Music** Ave Verum Mozart  
**\* Dedication Verse:** We Praise you, O God VU 218  
**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**

**Redeeming Lord, we continually seek your comfortable refuge. You deliver us from our unfounded fears and provide us with miraculous examples of your love. In response, we offer these gifts. We pray that these funds will provide an outreach that warms people with your resplendent love. As a church community, we exalt and praise your holy name. Amen. (Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22)**

**# 14 Prayers of The People**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*# 15 Closing Hymn:** I Feel the Winds of God Today VU 625

**#16 Blessing and Sending Forth:** (Responsive)

Go forth into the world trusting with your hearts the wisdom God bestows upon all who seek to follow God's way of Love.

**When we are called to lead, we strive to do so with humility and confidence in God.**

Be in this world a sign of Jesus' presence.

**We seek to share compassion with all whom we encounter.**

Live wisely in God's name, and glorify God in all you do.

**And may the grace, mercy, and wisdom of God be our support, guidance and strength from this day forward and for ever more. Amen.**

**# 17 \* 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:** Toccata & Fugue in de minor Bach

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

**Greeters:**

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**Ushers:** Left Side: Greg Morton & Roger Miller  
Center: Isabel Green  
Right Side: Tammy Coughlan & Roger Miller  
Upstairs: Andrew, Hope, Laura & Graham Steeves

**Coffee Hour:** Property

**Announcements**

**Anniversary Envelope Challenge:** Please remember to take an envelope from the display, to help us celebrate 186 years of St. Paul's by giving a birthday gift to the church in the form of a special donation. Simply take an envelope, fill it with the amount of money listed on the front (envelopes from 1 to 186), and bring it back on **Anniversary Sunday, November 4th**. If you would like a tax receipt, please include your regular envelope number on the envelope. Of the funds raised, half will go to the trustees for the care of our historic building, and half will go to operating expenses contributing to the various ministries and activities we support.

On **Anniversary Sunday** there will be a Sing-a-long before the service from 10:10 AM to 10:25 AM. Come early and raise your voices to some familiar hymns with St Paul's Little Band. Remember, requests would be appreciated, just let us know.



**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. Look for cards in the pews, take a minute and write a note!

**PANTRY SUNDAY:** Next Sunday, November 4  
The shelves are ok for now but after the next pantry day we will be in need of the usual things. If you use it in your home, they will use it in theirs so anything you care to donate is very much appreciated.

**Today in Sunday School...We Are Family.** October Bible Verse: "Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one! (Psalm 133:1) Bible Story: : Sisters (Luke 10:38-42). Balancing work and meditating on God's Word can sometimes be tricky. Often our schedules are full of good activities that need to be done. So, we must prioritize the things on our list to do what is most important. The story of the two sisters, Mary and Martha, is about deciding what is the most important activity.

**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

## 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     Vocal Collective/Sharon Pond 12:10-12:50  
Advent Carol Festival   7:30 pm
- December 12th    FHS Jazz Ensemble 12:10-12:50
- December 16th    'Twas the Night Before Christmas 7 pm
- December 19th    Sharon Pond/Vocal Collective 12:10 -12:50

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

**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.  
children - \$7. 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.

**Morning Gate Church:** On November 4<sup>th</sup> experience the first-hand account of John Deweyert, the last surviving member of his family who owned and lived at Hotel Dreijeroord in Oosterbeek, Holland during the battle of Arnhem which was part of "Operation Market Garden". John immigrated to Canada and now lives in Temperance Vale, NB.